



GOVERNOR'S GRIZZLY BEAR ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Montana's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council Meeting Agenda

March 19-20, 2020

Stage Stop Inn Conference Center | 1005 Main Ave N, Choteau, MT

Objectives:

- Continue to build understanding and awareness around key issues
- Gain insights into the unique challenges facing grizzly bear conservation and management along the Rocky Mountain Front
- Build understanding and awareness around landowner / producer compensation programs and the role of hunting
 - Explore informational needs and perspectives
 - Consider management needs and challenges
- Discuss Council members' emerging ideas to address management and conservation challenges and opportunities
- Gather Council members' input and guidance on priorities and next steps
- Reflect on the Council's overall work to date and make any necessary adjustments

Thursday, March 19

- 8:00 AM Welcome and Overview of the Day
- 8:15 AM Grizzly Bear Advisory Council Updates and Member Guidance
Objective: Provide an update on the Council's work to date and provide Council members with the opportunity to share their reflections, recent progress, and objectives for this meeting and moving forward.
- 9:00 AM Council Led Discussion on Emerging Ideas and Overall Framework
Objective: Provide an opportunity to Council members to review and discuss their emerging ideas and thoughts on an overall framework for their report and recommendations.
- 10:15 AM Break

10:30 AM **Presentation and Council Discussion on the Role of Hunting**
Objective: Provide information and insights, including opportunities and challenges, on the role of hunting in the context of grizzly bear conservation and management.

Presenter: Ken McDonald, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

12:00 PM **Lunch (Provided for Council members)**

1:00 PM **Wildlife Damage Compensation Programs**
Objective: Provide information and insights, including opportunities and challenges, on the role of wildlife damage compensation programs in the context of grizzly bear conservation and management.

*Panelists: George Edwards, Montana Livestock Loss Board
 Kraig Glazier, Wildlife Services
 TBD, USDA Farm Service Agency*

2:45 PM **Break**

3:00 PM **Council Led Discussion on Wildlife Damage Compensation Program Challenges and Opportunities**
Objective: Provide Council members with the opportunity to engage with panelists and one another to consider ways to address wildlife damage compensation programs in their suite of emerging ideas and recommendations.

4:15 PM **Public Input**

5:00 PM **Meeting Adjourns**
Council members and the public are welcome to stay and visit with one another informally.

Friday, March 20

9:00 AM **Welcome and Overview of the Day**

9:15 AM **Roadmap to Recommendations**
Objective: Review the Council's timeline and develop a roadmap for working groups, writing team, support team, and facilitators to ensure the Council meets its objectives.

- 9:45 AM** **Small Group Roundtable I**
Objective: Provide an opportunity for Council members to engage in structured conversations on key issues beyond their existing working group structure.
- 10:30 AM** **Break**
- 10:45 AM** **Small Group Roundtable II**
Objective: Provide an opportunity for Council members to engage in structured conversations on key issues beyond their existing working group structure.
- 11:30 AM** **Report Outs / Wrap Up**
Objective: Capture key take-aways and next steps; confirm roles and responsibilities between now and May meeting.
- 12:30 PM** **Adjourn**

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