

June 10, 2009

To: CAC members

From: John Fraley

Subject: June 24 CAC luncheon at the Kalispell FWP Headquarters

As we discussed at our CAC meeting at Lone Pine, we will be getting together for a luncheon with the purpose of ranking issues for our 2009/2010 CAC meetings. After talking to a number of folks and looking at schedules, we have set Wednesday, June 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the luncheon. The meeting will be at the FWP headquarters on North Meridian Road in Kalispell. Two long-term CAC members, Tony Anderson and Darrell Coverdell, will be at the meeting and we hope all the new CAC members can make it. We can pay mileage for travel to the meeting. Members would also have the option of linking in to the meeting via conference call; I will send out some information on how to call in as we get nearer to the date.

Here in no particular order are some of the issues that came up in our brainstorming session at Lone Pine. Please put some thought into these items before the meeting. We will be ranking items and adding detail, as well as suggesting appropriate speakers on the major issues we select.

- Access, including access for seniors, and people with disabilities, state parks water access, fishing and hunting access, Plum Creek land sales
- Youth activities, promotion of angling and hunting, recruitment, more education
- Lake trout management in Swan and Flathead Lake
- Subdivisions, loss of habitat and winter range for elk and deer, urbanization
- Hunter behavior and hunter ethics, perceptions of hunting/fishing/trapping
- Challenges to our hunting, fishing and trapping traditions, FWP's role in promoting the traditions and countering people opposed to them
- Wolf management, issues depending on court actions, will they be controlled to enhance deer and elk, hunting quotas
- Predators, Grizzly bear management, black bear management, interactions with humans and ungulates, relocations of animals, outreach to public regarding the science behind the management
- Enforcement, warden activities, more outreach about regulations, publicize violations
- More public outreach regarding our website, CAC function, possible columns in area newspapers or radio shows highlighting CAC projects

By return email, please let me know if you can attend the meeting. We will have pizza and salad and work through lunch. We will begin right at 11:30 a.m. and be done at 1 p.m.

Thanks for serving on the CAC!