Montana’s Grizzly Bear Advisory Council
Meeting Agenda

February 26 & 27, 2020
City Building | 952 E. Spruce | Ponderosa Room | Libby, MT

Objectives:
- Continue to refine processes and protocols to support the Council’s work
- Continue to build understanding and awareness around key issues
- Build understanding of unique elements in the Cabinet Yaak Ecosystem related connectivity and conservation and management issues of grizzly bears
- Build understanding and awareness around funding and recreation/tourism issues
  - Explore informational needs and perspectives
  - Consider management needs and challenges
- Discuss emerging recommendations from Council members
- Gather Council input and guidance on priorities and next steps
- Reflect on the Council’s overall work to date and make any necessary adjustments

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

8:00 AM  Introductions, Welcome, and Overview of Agenda

8:10 AM  Council Member Updates and Guidance
  Objective: Provide an update on the Council’s work to date, frame next steps, and provide Council members with the opportunity to discuss their individual and shared interests and objectives for the February meeting and beyond.

8:45 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 the report and recommendations.

9:45 AM  Break

10:00 AM  Connectivity and Related Issues in the CYE
  Objective: Provide information and insights about unique elements of grizzly bear conservation and the management in the Cabinet Yaak Ecosystem to help inform how emerging ideas and recommendations may need to be tailored to unique regions of the state.
12:00 PM  Lunch (provided for Council members)

1:00 PM  Recreation and Tourism Panel  
Objective: Provide information and insights, including opportunities and challenges, on the role of recreation and tourism in the context of grizzly bear conservation and management.

2:30 PM  Break

2:45 PM  Continued Discussion on Emerging Ideas and Overall Framework  
Objective: Provide the Council with an opportunity to discuss how to continue to advance their emerging ideas and their overall framework.

4:00 PM  Break

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM  Public Engagement  
Objective: Provide the public with an overview of the Council’s history and work to date. Engage the public in discussion activity to elicit their ideas and questions related to the Council’s purpose and emerging ideas.

Thursday, February 27

9:00 AM  Welcome and Overview of the Day

9:15 AM  Council Discussion on Funding and Resources to Support Grizzly Bear Conservation and Management

10:45 AM  Break

11:00 AM  Roundtable Discussion and Emerging Ideas and Next Steps  
Objective: Provide an opportunity for the Council to engage with one another, panelists, and the support team to discuss challenges and opportunities, clarify questions, and identify the key issues the Council wants to focus on moving forward.

12:00 PM  Lunch (Provided for Council members)

1:00 PM  Continued Council Discussion and Emerging Ideas and Next Steps

2:00 PM  Public Input

2:30 PM  Key Take-Aways and Next Steps  
Objective: Capture the key take-aways, action items, and next steps for the Council’s work.

3:00 PM  Adjourn