



Migratory Bird Wetland Protection Advisory Council (WPAC) Meeting

June 15th, 2026

Meeting 9:30 - 5:00 pm

June 16th, 2026

Field Tour 8:30 – 4:00ish pm

Meeting Location: 4600 Giant Springs Rd, Great Falls, MT 59405

To attend virtual:

<https://mt-gov.zoom.us/j/82619853194?pwd=yovum5zYtISlsermenyG84KvnoleUfa.1>

This meeting is open to the public

**Times are subject to change.*

WPAC Agenda

The Migratory Bird Wetland Program in Montana was established by the Montana Legislature in 1985 “for the protection, conservation, and development of wetlands in Montana” (MCA 87-2-411(2)).

Meeting Objectives:

- 1) Introduction
- 2) Department update: review of budget and projects.
- 3) Waterfowl and partner updates
- 4) Tour Region 4 Project

Monday June 15th, 2026

10:00 - Introductions

Welcome and opening remarks (Ken P.)

10:25 - Executive Action: Approve Minutes from December 9th, 2025

10:30 - Program’s fiscal updates (Heather)

- a. Biennium budget, unallocated balance, pending obligations balance
- b. Legislative request

11:00 - Break

11:15 - MBWP Project Status Updates (Heather and Ken P.)

11:30 - State of our Waterfowl (Faye)

12:00 – Lunch

1:00 - Duck stamp contest update/discussion (Greg)

1:15 - Review of notes from March

1:30 - Partner Updates

2:00 - Public Comment

2:30 - PPJV overview – (Jost Vest)

3:00 - Field Tour Logistics (Heather)

3:15 - Giant Springs Hatchery Tour (Optional). Starts at 3:30 sharp.

4:30 – Adjourn

6:00 - Optional meet for Dinner – The Station: 119 River Dr N

Tuesday June 16th, 2026

Field Tour

8:30 – Meet at Great Falls Area Office

8:45 – Depart

Order of locations:

- 1) Tall Grass low-tech restoration (LO, Shane, Autumn, Brandi)
- 2) DU easement north of Cascade (Adam)
- 3) Freezeout WMA (Brent)

Times will be flexible during the tour, but will pass through Great Falls between each site, if people need to leave early.