



MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

CAC MEETING MINUTES March 11, 2019

In Attendance

Members

Jane Bennett, Lea Bossier, Louie Bouma, Robert Edwards, Matt Graveley, Everett Headley, Laurie Johnston, Tracy Manley, Bill Mitchell, Theresa Mondale, Jim Olson, Chuck Peterson, Greg Price, Mike Schmitt, & Joanne Weimer

Staff

Randy Arnold, Vivaca Crowser, Morgan Dollinger, Molly Locati, Pat Saffel, Dori Schiele, Ryan Sokoloski, Mike Thompson

Guests

Commissioner, Tim Aldrich, Morgan Dollinger, Ryan Sokoloski

Welcome & introductions

Vivaca Crowser welcomed all in attendance and gave a special welcome to guest speaker, Ryan Sokoloski (State Park Manager of Salmon, Placid, & Beavertail Hill State Parks)

The Legislature

Randy Arnold, Region 2 supervisor, shared with members some of what has been happening in the legislature so far pertaining to FWP & the last CAC meetings discussions on legislative priorities and proposals from their last gathering.

Overview/Updates from Salmon, Placid, & Beavertail Hill State Parks

Ryan Sokoloski gave a presentation on Montana State Parks

He shared where he came from and how he ended up manager of Placid Lake, Salmon Lake, and Beavertail State Parks in Region 2. Ryan educated CAC members and other FWP Staff alike on the history of three parks!

Wildlife

Mike Thompson gave an update, briefly touching on the season setting process and what resulted, after the Fish and Wildlife Commission made final decisions last week. He then used HD215 as his area of focus, giving examples of the elk population on Spotted Dog and the harvest strategy for 2018. Mike also shared some information about the new elk B license for private land in region 2 that was approved by the Commission last week.

Meeting adjourned

The next quarterly meeting is TBD.