

# MONTANA FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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Meeting Date: October 22, 2020

Agenda Item: Poindexter Slough FAS Land Donation (R3)

Action Needed: Endorsement

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 5 minutes

#### Background

Fish, Wildlife & Parks has been approached by landowner Evelyn Lohman regarding the donation of a small parcel of land (.693 ac) bordering the Poindexter Slough FAS. Ms. Lohman is in the process of consolidating her estate and wishes to donate this parcel to FWP to enhance the existing FAS. Currently the parcel is isolated by the Interstate 15 Right of Way and undevelopable due to the location. The addition of this very small parcel to the existing Poindexter Slough FAS will have no additional impact to maintenance needs for the site.

### **Public Involvement Process & Results**

If endorsed by the commission, the department will begin their due diligence process which will include conducting an environmental assessment and public scoping.

#### **Alternatives & Analysis**

The commission could choose to endorse this proposal and the department would pursue the process of receiving the property from the donor for use as an addition to the Poindexter Slough FAS. Conversely, the commission could choose to not endorse the proposal and the department would not pursue the addition to the existing FAS at this location.

### **Agency Recommendation & Rationale**

The department recommends the commission endorse this proposal to benefit public access on the Poindexter Slough FAS and the Beaverhead River.

#### **Proposed Motion**

I move the commission authorize the department to pursue acquiring this donation bordering the Poindexter Slough FAS on the Beaverhead River.