



Proposed 2021 Renewal of the Biennial Rule for Avista Lands in Region 1

PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS AND COMMENTS May 2021

Public Review Process

The proposed biennial rule and a cover letter outlining the review process were posted on FWP's website (<http://fwp.mt.gov>, under "Recent Public Notices") for a 30-day public comment period from April 1 through May 3, 2021. FWP sent 114 emails and mailed 187 interested persons letters on April 6, 2021.

Summary of Public Comment

FWP received 1 comment (see below) during the 30-day public comment period (April 1 through May 3, 2021) regarding the proposed 2021 renewal of the biennial rule for Avista lands. The comment did not indicate specific support or opposition but rather asking how to obtain a map.

Response to Public Comment

The following comments encompass specific comments received during the public review period that warranted a direct response from FWP.

Commenter 4.1: Please make it easier to find boundary map. Tooele, UT

FWP Response: The best way to obtain a Recreation Management Area map and rules is to visit the FWP Hunt Planner Map on the FWP Website <https://fwp.mt.gov/gis/maps/huntPlanner> (hunt planner map > FWP access opportunities> other access information). Individual Recreation Management maps and rules are also available at the Region 1 FWP Office in Kalispell. The map on the Hunt Planner site is currently not active as the previous agreement expired in December of 2020. Pending Fish and Wildlife Commission approval of the agreement, the map will be available after the June 2021 Fish and Wildlife Commission Meeting.