MONTANA FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION
FWP PROPOSAL & INFORMATION SHEET

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Meeting Date: February 12, 2026

Agenda Item: Selway FAS Addition

Action Needed: Final

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 5 minutes

Background:
Selway Fishing Access Site (FAS) provides access to the Beaverhead River just north of Dillon, Montana. The existing FAS is day-use only and has a boat ramp, latrine, picnic tables, and a parking area. The Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) owns the Selway FAS parcel, and FWP operates it under a no-cost recreation permit. Immediately downstream of Selway FAS and across Laknar Lane is another 2.5-acre MDT parcel that the public also uses to access the Beaverhead River and recreate. This adjoining MDT parcel is undeveloped aside from a foot path and consists mostly of grasses and some trees.

FWP proposes adding the adjoining MDT parcel to the existing Selway FAS. An addendum adding the adjoining 2.5 acres of MDT property would be added to the existing recreation permit, making the Selway FAS a total of 3.29 acres. The site will continue to be day-use only from sunrise to sunset and the new parcel would be managed as undeveloped open space.

Public Involvement Process & Results: FWP solicited public comment from Aug. 27 to Sept. 11. FWP received one public comment in support of the project.

Alternatives & Analysis:

A. **No action.** FWP would not execute an addendum with MDT to manage both of its sites as the Selway FAS. Under this alternative, MDT would continue to manage the adjoining 2.5-acre piece and FWP would continue to manage the current 0.79-acre FAS. The public would likely continue to use both parcels and MDT capacity for routine management of the site will likely continue to be limited.

B. **Action.** FWP would execute an addendum to the no-cost recreation permit with MDT to incorporate the adjoining 2.5-acre parcel into the current Selway FAS. The benefits to the proposed action are consistent management and public use rules for both adjoining parcels and better recreational experiences for the public.

Agency Recommendation & Rationale: FWP recommends the commission adopt this proposal.

Proposed Motion: I move the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopt the proposal for FWP to enter an addendum to the existing recreation permit for the Selway FAS to include the adjoining 2.5-acre MDT parcel in the FAS.