

# **MONTANA SILVER JACKETS MAPPING COMMITTEE THREE YEAR WORK PLAN January 25, 2012**

The primary mission of the committee is to coordinate and advance mapping efforts for a variety of purposes across a diverse group of entities in order to establish collaboration and avoid duplication of activities. This committee is focused on improving the quality and quantity of floodplain mapping and related data throughout Montana and on identifying alternatives that would make lower cost mapping options available. The committee will also address technical issues related to floodplain management, the natural and beneficial functions of a floodplain, endangered species, and habitat protection. This committee will utilize the recommendations provided in the report *Montana Floodplain Management Assessment: Strengthening the Policies and Programs that Reduce Flood Risk and Protect Floodplains* as its initial framework for establishing committee activities and will identify avenues to implement the recommended changes. Work items listed below are based on the report which can be accessed at [www.mtfloodplain.mt.gov](http://www.mtfloodplain.mt.gov).

## Work Items – Lead Subcommittee

- Invite and Assemble Committee Members
- Review and Approve Work Plan
- State Mapping Program
- Cost-Effective Mapping Methods
- Geospatial Data Layer
- Map Additional Flood Hazards
- Community Mapping
- Reasonable Hydrologic Certainty
- Future Conditions
- Spatial Data Infrastructure Framework Layer
- Mapping Information and Outreach

## Work Items – Secondary Subcommittee – Assists the lead committee on the following tasks:

- Flood Event Plans
- Endangered Species Act and Habitat Protection
- NAI Concepts in Montana Model Ordinance

Invited Committee Members: Larry Schock, DNRC; Colleen Horihan, USACE; Lynda Saul, DEQ; Karl Christians, DNRC (CD); Mark Goodman, MDT; Randy Behm, USACE; Jim Robinson, DNRC; Troy Blandford, Montana State Library; Kreh Germaine, DNRC; Drew Swayne, DNRC; Lance Clampitt, USGS; Paul Azevedo, DNRC; Steve Story, DNRC; Marc Pitman, DNRC; Gina Loss, NWS; Wayne Berkes, USGS; Stu Kirkpatrick, Dept. of Admin; Karen Newlon, MT Natural Heritage Program; Scott Story, FWP; Jeff Berglund, USFWS; Others.....

Committee Lead: Steve Story, DNRC

Recorder: Lynda Saul, DEQ

## Committee Meeting Schedule:

1. Association of Montana Floodplain Managers Annual Conference (March 7, 2012 5:00 – 6:30 pm)  
Kalispell, Montana
2. May Conference Call
3. DNRC Floodplain Resource Seminar Meeting (July 19, 2012 – 8:30am – 3:30pm) Helena, Montana