

These abbreviated summary minutes and the audio recording will become the official adopted minutes at the next Land Board meeting when the board votes to officially approve them. Until then they are considered a draft.

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
Monday, May 22, 2017, at 9:00 am
Supreme Court Chambers, Joseph P. Mazurek Building
215 North Sanders, 4th floor
Helena, MT

Please note: *The Land Board has adopted the audio recording of its meetings as the official record, as allowed by [2-3-212, MCA](#). These minutes provide an abbreviated summary of the Land Board discussion, public testimony, action taken, and other activities. The time designations listed are approximate and may be used to locate the referenced discussion on the audio recording of this meeting. Access to an electronic copy of these minutes and the audio recording is provided from the Land Board webpage at <http://dnrc.mt.gov/LandBoard>. The written minutes summary, along with the audio recordings, are listed by meeting date on the Land Board Archive webpage.*

Members Present

Governor Steve Bullock
Attorney General Tim Fox
Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Matthew Rosendale
Secretary of State Corey Stapleton
Superintendent of Public Instruction Elsie Arntzen

Members Absent

None

Testifying Staff

John Tubbs, DNRC Director
Shawn Thomas, DNRC TLMD Administrator
Erik Eneboe, DNRC Conrad Unit Manager

Attachments

Related Materials, Attachment 1 – sign-in sheet
Related Materials, Attachment 2 – handout for public comment by Montana Representative Kerry White

Call to Order

00:00:00 Governor Bullock called the meeting to order.
00:00:10 Attorney General Fox
00:00:17 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve the May 22, 2017, minutes. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Fox and carried unanimously.

Business Considered

- 0517-1 Agriculture & Grazing Leases: Competitive Bid Hearings**
A. Lease No. 533 – Stack Rock, Inc. (Lessee)/Reni Nixon (Bidder)
B. Lease No. 1887 – Ashlee Ganoung & Amber Mson (Lessees)/Stiles Family Trust (Bidder)
C. Lease No. 5415 – Sam Lindemulder (Lessee)/Austin Frank (Bidder)
- 00:00:41 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:00:49 Governor Bullock
00:00:52 Mr. Thomas
00:03:32 Mr. Tubbs

These abbreviated summary minutes and the audio recording will become the official adopted minutes at the next Land Board meeting when the board votes to officially approve them. Until then they are considered a draft.

00:03:38 Mr. Thomas
00:03:51 Mr. Tubbs
00:03:58 Mr. Thomas
00:04:25 Commissioner Rosendale
00:04:43 Mr. Thomas
00:05:19 Commissioner Rosendale
00:05:22 Governor Bullock
00:05:32 Mr. Tubbs
00:05:57 Governor Bullock
00:06:10 Mr. Tubbs
00:06:13 Governor Bullock
00:06:15 Mr. Tubbs
00:07:52 Governor Bullock
00:07:57 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve items 0517-1A, 0517-1B, and 0517-1C. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:08:18 Governor Bullock
00:08:22 Commissioner Rosendale
00:08:53 Mr. Tubbs
00:09:28 Mr. Eneboe
00:10:32 Commissioner Rosendale
00:10:35 Governor Bullock

00:11:25 The motion to approve items 0517-1A, 0517-1B, and 0517-1C carried unanimously.

0517-2 Cabin and Home Sites: Preliminary Approval for Sale

00:11:31 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:12:22 Governor Bullock
00:12:29 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve item 0517-2. The motion was seconded by Secretary Stapleton and carried unanimously.

0517-3 Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale – Sale 816

00:13:00 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:13:33 Governor Bullock
00:13:40 Attorney General Fox moved to approve item 0517-3. The motion was seconded by Superintendent Arntzen and carried unanimously.

0517-4 Land Banking Parcels: Final Approval for Sale – Yellowstone County

00:14:03 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.
00:15:00 Governor Bullock
00:15:08 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve item 0517-4. The motion was seconded by Secretary Stapleton.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:15:22 Governor Bullock
00:15:36 Mr. Tubbs
00:15:52 Governor Bullock
00:15:54 Mr. Tubbs
00:16:00 Commissioner Rosendale
00:16:23 Superintendent Arntzen
00:16:41 Mr. Tubbs
00:17:25 Superintendent Arntzen

These abbreviated summary minutes and the audio recording will become the official adopted minutes at the next Land Board meeting when the board votes to officially approve them. Until then they are considered a draft.

00:17:27 Governor Bullock

00:17:35 The motion to approve item 0517-4 carried unanimously.

0517-5 Land Banking Acquisition: Preliminary Approval for Purchase – Bullhead Creek

00:17:38 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:18:49 Governor Bullock

00:18:56 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve item 0517-5. The motion was seconded by Secretary Stapleton.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:19:14 Commissioner Rosendale

00:19:49 Governor Bullock

00:20:06 The motion to approve item 0517-5 carried unanimously.

0517-6 Land Banking Acquisition: Final Approval for Purchase – Lost Creek Farm

00:20:10 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:21:19 Governor Bullock

Public Comment

00:21:28 Bill Stene, Metro Realtors, LLP

00:21:40 Governor Bullock

00:21:48 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve item 0517-6. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Fox.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:22:06 Commissioner Rosendale

00:22:22 Governor Bullock

00:22:33 The motion to approve item 0517-6 carried unanimously.

0517-7A Easements: Regular Easements

00:22:37 Governor Bullock

00:22:52 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:23:27 Governor Bullock

Public Comment

00:23:36 Randall Knowles

00:32:33 Marion Passmore

00:33:13 Governor Bullock

00:33:20 Commissioner Rosendale moved to approve item 0517-7A. The motion was seconded by Attorney General Fox.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:33:33 Commissioner Rosendale

00:35:05 Governor Bullock

00:35:09 Superintendent Arntzen

00:35:28 Mr. Tubbs

00:36:48 Superintendent Arntzen

00:36:50 Governor Bullock

These abbreviated summary minutes and the audio recording will become the official adopted minutes at the next Land Board meeting when the board votes to officially approve them. Until then they are considered a draft.

00:37:00 The motion to approve item 0517-6 carried unanimously.

0517-7B Easements: Stillwater-Lazy Swift Easement Exchange

00:37:04 Mr. Tubbs gave an overview of the item.

00:38:11 Governor Bullock

00:38:22 Attorney General Fox moved to approve item 0517-7B. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosendale.

Board Discussion/Comments

00:38:32 Commissioner Rosendale

00:39:02 Governor Bullock

00:39:06 Commissioner Rosendale

00:39:09 Governor Bullock

00:39:19 The motion to approve item 0517-7B carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

00:39:33 Mr. Knowles

00:41:12 Governor Bullock

00:41:33 Representative Kerry White, Montana House District 64

00:42:09 Governor Bullock

00:42:15 Mr. White

00:47:56 Governor Bullock

Adjournment

00:48:13 Adjournment

PRESIDENT

ATTEST

/s/ Steve Bullock
Steve Bullock, Governor

/s/ John E. Tubbs
John E. Tubbs, DNRC Director



Be involved with an organization
that is bringing people together
in an effort to save the last
remaining multiple use lands
across the west.

User groups that support CBU:

- ATV rider • Back country ice climber • Back country fisherman
- Back country skier • Back country snowboarder
- Backpacker • Bird watcher • Camper • Grazing lease holders
- Cabin site owner • Christmas tree hunter
- Cross country skier • Day hiker / Dog walker
- Dirt bike rider • Dog sled runner • Equestrian • Firewood gatherer
- Geocacher • Hang glider • Hunter • Kayaker • Logger
- Mining • Mountain bike rider • Picnicker
- Post pole wood gatherer • Rafter • Scenic vehicle driver
- Rock climber • Rock hound • Snowmobiler
- Snowshoer • Wildlife enthusiast / photographer
- 4x4 driver • Gold panner



HELP SUPPORT SHARED USE BY PURCHASING A
LICENSE PLATE OR A BUMPER STICKER!



CBU supports staying on designated trails and
evidence on the ground shows we are
complying with the rules.

**JOIN CBU TODAY – IT'S EASY
& IT'S FREE!**

Fill out this membership form & mail it in
OR sign up online at www.balanceduse.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

Company: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

CONTRIBUTE TO CBU:

Your donation to our non-profit effort is
tax deductible (EIN#20-2858176) and
critical for our fight to keep trails open.

please make checks payable to C.B.U.

- \$5
- \$10
- \$25
- other

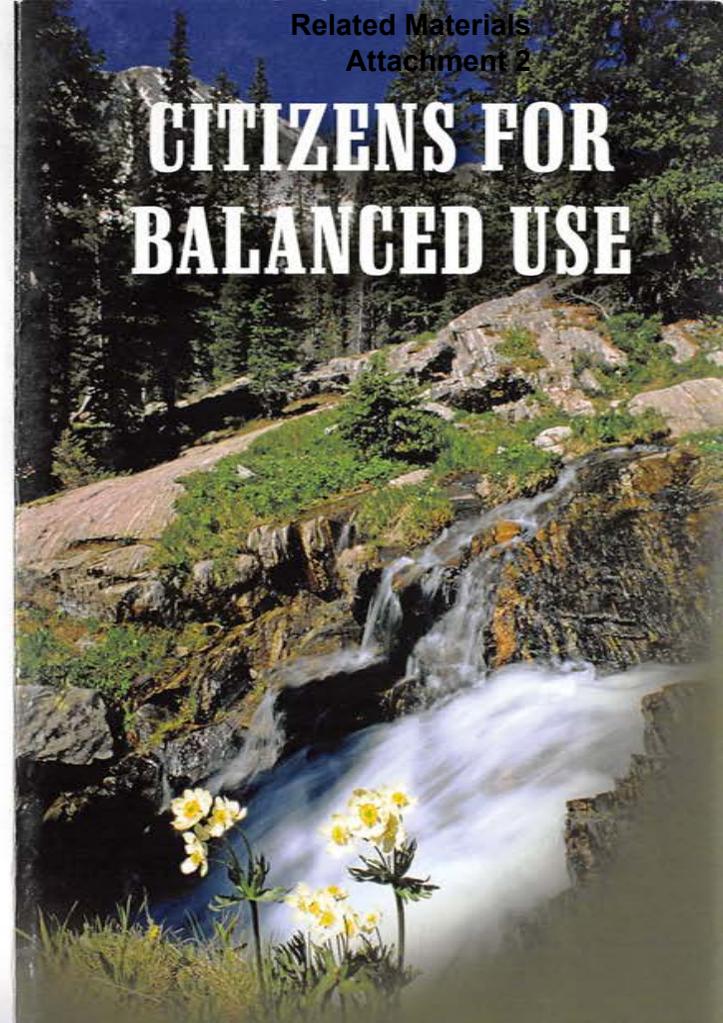
Mail this form into:

**CBU
P.O. Box 606
Gallatin Gateway, MT. 59730**

balanceduse.org • 406.600.4CBU

Supporting
individuals,
businesses and
organizations
are welcome.

**CITIZENS FOR
BALANCED USE**



www.balanceduse.org
406.600.4CBU

FACTS THAT SUPPORT Multiple Use

- According to a Montana State University study by Sheley and Petroff, the 3 main causes for the spread of weeds on public land are wind, animals, and water.
- Timber harvesting benefits wildlife and humans as well as supports local and national economies.
- Catastrophic wildfires ranked number one in mercury emissions in our air.
- More than 97% of public land users recreate on Multiple Use land.
- 85% of user made trails in the Gallatin National Forest were created by non-motorized users.
- Water quality has never been higher than it is today in areas open to multiple use.
- Animal stress tests conducted in Yellowstone Park show lower heart rates and flight distances by animals when approached by motorized vs. non-motorized.
- The U.S. Department of Interior stated: "Where snowmobiles are used exclusively over snow, the impact on vegetation is indeed virtually nil."
- In 2002, the positive economic impact of snowmobiles in the U.S. was 7 billion dollars annually. Motorized recreation is the fastest growing industry on our public lands.

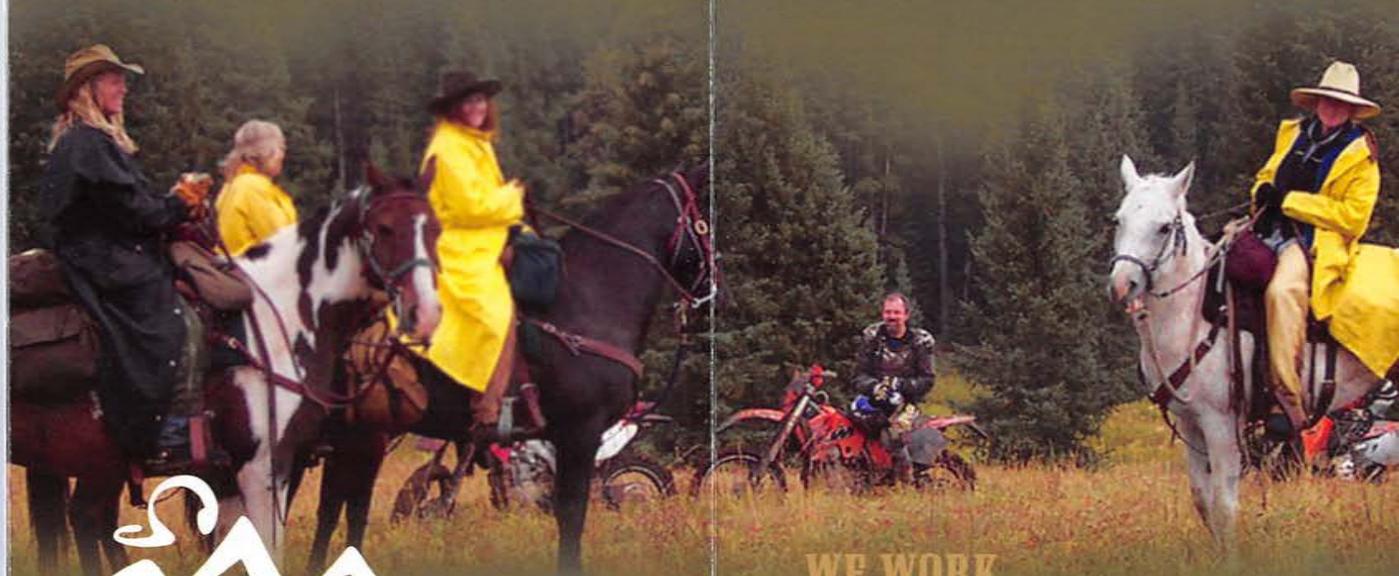


FIRES

Fires sterilize soils, pollute watersheds, destroy critical wildlife habitat and endanger human lives and property. CBU supports active forest management to prevent these catastrophes.

RECREATION

Multiple use lands are the best maintained and benefit communities both socially and economically.



Supports
responsible shared
use of YOUR
public lands.

WE WORK

with state and federal legislators and land managers to promote multiple use.

WE BELIEVE

all public land users should be treated fairly and the closure of any more multiple use areas is unacceptable.

WE COLLECT AND DISTRIBUTE

true information and science, to people and organizations, in support of the multiple use concept.