

Drought Task Force – Meeting 5

Co-convened as the Governor’s Drought and Water Supply Advisory Committee (DWSAC)

July 6, 2022

9:30a.m. – 12p.m.

In person: Montana Room, DNRC Headquarters (1139 11th Ave., Helena, MT) or via [Zoom](#)

Meeting Objectives:

- Examine Montana’s current water supply conditions & view a drought monitoring demonstration
- Update on drought planning progress
- Discuss drought response actions and the role of DWSAC in current/future drought management

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9:30	Welcome and Introductions	Shawn Johnson, UM
9:40	Drought Monitoring Demonstration & Current Conditions Follow along at Upper Missouri Drought Indicators Dashboard	Troy Blandford, MT State Library
9:55	Streamflow Conditions in MT	Aaron Fiaschetti, USGS
10:15	Summer Drought Outlook	Michael Downey, DNRC
10:20	Questions/Discussion	Shawn Johnson, UM
10:30	<i>Short Break</i>	

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We will invite public insights and discussion at various points throughout the meeting.

10:35	Drought Planning Progress	DNRC
10:40	Drought Response Actions and Recommendations Identify and discuss <u>drought response gaps</u> based on existing state actions* and <u>federal programs</u> * Recommendations for improvements to state/fed drought response	
11:15	Role of DWSAC Examine current <u>statutory</u> * role of DWSAC Discuss recommendations (if any) re: DWSAC’s composition, function, duties, etc.	Michael Downey, DNRC
12:00	Next Steps/Adjourn	

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