



**Water Commissioner Training
 Beaverhead County Search & Rescue Building
 1100 MT Hwy 41, Dillon
 Thursday, April 18, 2024
 Course Agenda**

Course Overview		
8:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Objectives and introductions 2) Commissioner duties and responsibilities 3) Information assistance, useful tools, water commissioner website 4) Clerk of Court assistance, billing options 	Matt Norberg DNRC
9:45	BREAK	
Water Rights 101/Regional Office Assistance		
10:00	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Basics of Montana water law 2) Regional office support 	Russ Gates DNRC-Helena Regional Office
Montana Water Court		
10:45	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Nature of existing rights under Montana general stream adjudication 2) Status of adjudication, decree enforcement 3) Water Court vs. District Court decrees 	Melissa Lockman Water Master
11:30	District Court Judge	District Court Judge Berger
12:00	Lunch on your own	
Water measurement and distribution		
1:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Overview of water measurement (purpose, manuals) 2) Measuring devices (gages, flumes, weirs) 3) Example problems (water distribution, unit conversions) 	Matt Norberg and Brent Zundel DNRC
3:00	BREAK	
3:15	Water measurement devices demonstration	Jim Beck Retired DNRC Engineer
5:00	Wrap up (questions/comments)	

All participants should bring a calculator, writing instrument, smart phone, and a notebook.

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