



**RAVALLI COUNTY LOCAL WORKING GROUP
(RCLWG)**

Thursday, January 07, 2016

Minutes

1709 North First Street
Hamilton, Montana 59840
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Ravalli County Local Working Group (RCLWG) meeting Thursday, January 7, 2016, called to order at 2:00 p.m., by Kent Myers.

ATTENDANCE:

Ginette Abdo (Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology), Heather Barber (Bitter Root Water Forum, BRWF), Allen Bjergo (Resource Conservation & Development, RC&D), Chris Clancy (Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks, MTFWP), John Crowley (Bitterroot Irrigation District), Pam Gouse (RC&D), Nathan Green (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), Lea Guthrie (Bitter Root Land Trust, BRLT), Michael Howell (Bitterroot Star), Coral Maxwell (Farm Service Agency, FSA), Tim Meuchel (Daly Ditches), Kent Myers (Bitterroot Conservation District, BCD), Todd Myse (Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology), Jim Nave (Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, DNRC), Leslie Nyce (MTFWP), Stacy Pease (Natural Resource Conservation Service, NRCS), Al Pernichele (Bitter Root Water Forum, BRWF), Julie Ralston (BCD), Ed Snook (Bitterroot U.S. Forest Service), Jim Stubblefield (General Public), Matt Whithed (NRCS).

INTRODUCTIONS

MINUTES

Barber moved to approve the December 10th, 2015 minutes. Whithed seconded, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. *Myers will put together a 10 minutes power point presentation for the AG EXPO that will identify the Ravalli County Local Working Group Partners and what each partner brings to the RCLWG. Speakers for the AG Expo RCLWG Presentation are as such:*
- 1) *Myers-Bitterroot Conservation District and its cost-share program.*
 - 2) *Pease-Natural Resource Conservation Service and its programs.*
 - 3) *Gouse- Resource Conservation & Development.*
 - 4) *Barber-Bitter Root Water Forum*
 - 5) *Maxwell-Farm Service Agency*
 - 6) *Bitter Root Land Trust*
- B. *The RCLWG will set up an information table for the Expo. Speakers and volunteers are welcome to attend 9:00 a.-m.-3 p.m. The RCLWG presentation is scheduled for 2 p.m.-3 p.m.*

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

A doodle poll will be held to determine the date of the next meeting. The general consensus was that a meeting should be held shortly after the AG Expo to review any survey questionnaires and/or concerns.

Business meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

~~Kent Myers~~
Kent Myers
Chairmen

~~Julie Ralston~~
Julie Ralston
BCD Administrator

Date: 02/25/2016

NEW BUSINESS 2:30p.m.-3:45p.m.

- A. Montana Bureau of Mines Presentation
“Understanding Groundwater in the Corvallis Stevensville Area and Potential for Mitigating the Impact of Drought”