

Meeting Details

Time: September 17, 2026 • 4:00pm Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Meeting Location: GCD Conference Room- 120 S. 5th Street, Suite B102- Manhattan, MT

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310 MEETING AGENDA

1. 310 Applications

Applicant Number:	69-26	Perennial Stream:	UN Trib
Applicant	Matt Weaver		
Landowner:	Clear Springs Ranch LLC (Dave Proctor)		
Contractor/Agent:			
Type of Project:	Channel/Bank Project		
Purpose:	Improve fish habitat, Improve wildlife habitat, Natural water storage or aquifer recharge. The proposed plan is to do the following: construct under cut bank habitat, replace existing logs, pool habitat enhancement, Construct lateral bars to narrow the channel, Construct riffle habitat, Construct point bars, Lower bank heights, Place large rock along and inset in bank, and Construct new channel sections and fill existing channel sections.		
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date:	10/31/2026	End Date: 10/02/2027
Inspection Date:	9/8/26		
Inspection Recommendation:	On Hold		
Inspection Comment	Board discussion. Would like to see project phased.		
318 Authorization	No		
Discussion:			
Decision:			

Applicant Number:	GD 70-26	Perennial Stream:	Willow Creek
Applicant	Josh Shively		
Landowner:	Thomas Louderback		
Contractor/Agent:			

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Type of Project:	Agriculture, Channel/Bank
Purpose:	Move irrigation headgate 30' upstream from current location. Excavate an inflow channel and the new headgate at the confluence of the old/new ditch. This will give the ditch a better approach for water access and hopefully decrease sedimentation within Willow Creek. The right bank will have riprap removed and be slightly regraded to match restoration reaches that are in progress.
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date: 9/21/26 End Date: 10/31/26
Inspection Date:	9/8/26
Inspection Recommendation:	Approval with Modifications
Inspection Comments:	Applicant seeks to reposition headgate to reduce sedimentation. Discussion took place over optimal position, velocity for gate. Recommend reducing "sliver" to greatest extent possible and ensuring adequate velocity. Bank restoration to occur on all impacted banks with native vegetation. Rock to be placed to further protect whatever extent of "sliver" is constructed. Constructed bank should match existing slope up and downstream. All spoils should be placed outside of the stream corridor and adjacent wetlands.
318 Authorization Complete	Yes
Discussion:	
Decision:	

Applicant Number: GD 71-26	Perennial Stream:	Beaver Creek
Applicant	Luke Bing	
Landowner:		
Contractor/Agent:		
Type of Project:	Crossings/Roads	
Purpose:	The proposed activity includes a driveway extension and installation of a bridge to provide access to private property on the west side of Beaver Creek.	
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date: 9/27/26	End Date: 11/27/26
Inspection Date:	9/8/26	
Inspection Recommendation:	Approval as proposed	
Inspection Comments:	Applicant seeks to install single span bridge over Beaver Creek. Bridge abutments approximately 10 to 20 ft away from edge of water. High above ordinary high water mark is the deck position. Applicant to revegetate disturbed areas and leave stumps in place to greatest extent possible. Bmps - straw wattles and silt fencing- will be used during abutment installation to avoid sediment inputs to creek. Spoils will be used for grading or placed outside of creek corridor and adjacent wetlands.	
318 Authorization Complete	Yes	

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Decision:

Applicant Number: GD 72-26		Perennial Stream:	Spring Creek
Applicant	Adam Gassett		
Landowner:	Keith Reed		
Contractor/Agent:	Adam Gassett		
Type of Project:	Channel/Bank		
Purpose:	To improve fish habitat and protect property from erosion and improve water quality. We will be Excavating the collapsed Banks out of the water and making the channel flow in the center of the stream to protect the banks from future erosion. We will add rip rap and cut tree trunks and root Balls to the Shoreline for armoring the bank where necessary. We will be digging out sediment from the stream to promote better water flow and digging out traditional pools that have filled in over time.		
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date:	10/5/26	End Date: 11/19/26
Inspection Date:	9/8/26		
Inspection Recommendation:	On hold		
Inspection Comments:	Extensive in-stream work, would like to see more detail. FWP is willing to discuss options with applicant and other parties (i.e. Trout Unlimited) to refine project outcome.		
318 Authorization Complete	No		

Discussion:

Decision:

Applicant Number: GD 73-26		Perennial Stream:	Other (Unnamed trib)
Applicant	Crouse 423 LLC		
Landowner:	Crouse 423 LLC		
Contractor/Agent:	Alessandro-Bryan		
Type of Project:	Agriculture, Channel/Bank		
Purpose:	The work would involve excavation to improve the existing ditch channels, removal of the old wooden head gates, and placement of material in the ditches as needed to improve downstream flow. The proposed work would be performed on the Crouse Ditch and the Walton Crouse Ditch.		
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date:	9/25/26	End Date: 9/25/26
Inspection Date:	9/8/26		
Inspection Recommendation:	Approval with Modifications		

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Inspection Comments: Applicant seeks to remove deteriorating head gate to improve conveyance downstream. Water currently splits at head gate. Applicant will cut off flow to unneeded area and wanted to explore adding pipe to turn on / off as needed. Clean/native fill used to build bank existing channel conditions/ slope to be replicated. Rock on site will be utilized to build new bank, should only use round rock - no imported angular rock. Disturbed areas will be reseeded with native mix. Project will be completed before October 1st if approved.

318 Authorization Complete Yes

Discussion:

Decision:

Applicant Number: GD 74-26 **Perennial Stream:** Story Creek

Applicant Haley Kinch – Mountain Limited
Landowner: Haley Kinch – Mountain Limited
Contractor/Agent: Joey Gallagher
Type of Project: Utilities
Purpose: To bore under ditch and place new handhole. Place 2" duct with 96FOC.
Proposed Construction Date: **Start Date:** 8/10/26 **End Date:** 10/31/26
Inspection Date: No inspection

Inspection Recommendation:

Inspection Comments:

318 Authorization Complete Yes

Discussion:

Decision:

Applicant Number: GD 75-26 **Perennial Stream:** Ferguson Creek and Beck-Border Ditch and wetlands

Applicant Venture West Development LLC – Spencer Draper
Landowner: Venture West Development LLC – Spencer Draper
Contractor/Agent: Morrison-Maierle, Inc. – Christine Percy, Environmental Scientist
Type of Project: Crossings/roads
Purpose: The purpose of this project is to install road and trail infrastructure to support future development of the Beck Farms residential subdivision.
Proposed Construction Date: **Start Date:** Fall 2026 **End Date:** Early Spring 2027
Inspection Date: 9/8/26

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Inspection Recommendation:	Approval as Proposed
Inspection Comments:	Applicant seeking to install multiple culverts, two of which are stream crossings. The Ferguson Creek Crossing crosses at a good straight location and culvert will span creek. Beck Border Ditch culverts also at good location, Inspection Team to confirm width. Revegetate disturbed ones with appropriate wetlands or native mix. Spoils should be placed outside of stream corridors and applicants plan for spring adjustment of wetland areas. Construction will coordinate with this users.
318 Authorization Complete	Yes
Discussion:	
Decision:	

Applicant Number:	Perennial Stream:
Applicant	
Landowner:	
Contractor/Agent:	
Nature of Emergency	
Action Taken	
Construction Date:	
Inspection Date:	
Inspection Recommendation:	
Inspection Comments:	
Discussion:	
Decision:	

2. Extension Request

Applicant	Amo R DeBernardis
Landowner:	Paul D Slinde
Contractor/Agent:	Konor Kelsey
Type of Project:	Agriculture/Irrigation, Channel/Banks
Purpose:	With this loss of the existing diversion structure, it will be necessary to build an entire new diversion system. Due to the stream flow and the ability to divert more efficiently the point of diversion will be moved a short distance up stream with a headgate and in stream concrete system to control flows.
Proposed Construction Date:	Start Date: 9/15/25 End Date: 12/15/25
Inspection Date:	8/12/25

Inspection Recommendation	Approval with modifications
Inspection Comment	Old wooden headgate blew out and needs to be replaced. Proposed headgate will span the entire creek width. New structure will allow a better elevation differential from the headgate to the ditch which should reduce the amount of head differential needed to transport water to the ditch. New section of ditch will be dug. Fill removed from the new ditch section will be used to fill the old headgate footprint. Rip rap will be used to anchor new bank in place. Water will temporarily be diverted into a ditch upstream during construction. Reduce riprap to 3 ft in height, include ditch plug. Any excess fill should be removed and hauled off site. Cooperate with landowner on equipment mobilization, construction, and remediation. 318 Authorization Yes Discussion: Replace headgate on creek. Headgate blew out after spring runoff. Move headgate upstream about 30-40'. Big elevational difference between where new one will be, which will be beneficial to their operations and will be better for fish passage. 30' of rip rap above and below headgate. Straight section of stream. Minimal encroachment. Major improvement to what was there previously. Mike wonders about how this effects the point of diversion. Applicant maybe should check on that and/or contact DNRC with whatever changes they might need to make to their water right. 2025 Decision: Mike Hansen motioned to grant approval with a note to verify the point of diversion changes. Loren Blanksma supported. All in favor, motion carried.
Extension Reason 2026-	I need an extension on my 310 permit. I received the permit GD 50 25 on Aug 26, 2025. Work has been completed on the removal of the old structure at the site and site preparation has been completed. The extension is needed as it has been difficult finding contractors available to do the new headgate structure built at the site.

Other 310 Business:

3. 310 Old Business:

- GD 47-25 – Rey Creek- WITHDRAWN

4. 310 Coordinator's Report- Becky

Public Comments on District 310 Permitting Business

Adjournment of 310 Meeting

BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

1. Guests & Public Comments on District Business Meeting-

- Mayflower Meadows Bike Park Pollinator Garden - Steve Mohler

2. Governance Calendar

- Minutes to DNRC, C&R
- Positive Pay to GC Treasury
- 941 Q3-2

3. Consensus Agenda

4. NRCS Report

5. Supervisor Report: Planning Boards

- a. Planning board-
- b. County Planning Board-
- c. GLWQD-
- d. MACD Update-
- e. Gallatin Watershed Collaborative-

6. Staff Reports

- a. Administrator's Report- Becky
- b. NRS Report- Elizabeth
 - i. Grants/Agreements/Cost Share/Contract Report
 - ii. Cost-share application
 - 1. Bauer
- c. Education and Outreach Director- Bea
- d. Education Assistant- Leia
- e. AGAI Report- Rebecca
- f. DNRC Update- see report

7. Old Business

- a. Office update
 - i. Items to sell

- b. Area 6 meeting- 10/8 – WSS
 - i. Resolution
 - c. Other old business?
8. New Business
- a. WFH Schedule
 - b. Other new business?
9. Parking Lot
10. Accounting (Deposit, Credit Card, Invoices) + Updated P&L, Balance Sheet

Adjournment of Business Meeting