WELCOME FROM THE MACo PRESIDENT

GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

WELCOME, everyone, to the 2019 Montana Association of Counties Midwinter Conference!

It is impossible to overstate the importance of our Midwinter Conference here in Helena during the 2019 Legislative Session. “Getting on the same page” with all county elected officials during the conference and then taking those messages to your Legislators is paramount. While Thursday’s schedule includes meeting at the Capitol, I am confident that some will carve out time all this week to speak with Legislators.

Thank you to all who requested a MACo committee appointment and congratulations if that appointment is to your preferred committee. My goals were to seat you in either your first or second requested committee (not an absolute), not to seat someone in committees that meet at the same time (probably missed), and continue to seat as many non-Executive Board members as possible to positions of leadership. To step up in your community as an elected official is commendable in itself; to take an additional seat and/or lead in a committee is remarkable. Thank you again!

Your amazing MACo staff has been and will continue to be sending out information and updates related to legislative issues. Do not hesitate to ask questions and to offer insight on any issue, legislatively or otherwise. They often say, “That’s why we’re here and what we do!”

Finally, I encourage a little comradery; meet as many other elected officials, their friends and relatives, and your MACo staff as possible. The statement may be rhetorical, but we really do live in the BEST place with the BEST people.

Jim Hart, President
Montana Association of Counties
Madison County Commissioner
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## MACo Midwinter Agenda

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<td>Greg Chilcott, Chair, Ravalli County</td>
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<td>6 County Fort Peck Lake Group Meeting</td>
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<td>Jim Moos, Chair, McCone County</td>
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<td>Reservation Counties Meeting</td>
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<td>Dolores Plumage, Vice-Chair, Blaine County</td>
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<td>Board of Directors' Dinner Meeting</td>
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<td>MACo Committee Meetings</td>
<td>Lewis Room, Clark Room, Helena Room, Gallery Room</td>
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<td>Attendees who are not MACo committee members are invited and encouraged to participate in the committee meeting of their choice.</td>
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<td>Coffee Break/Visit with Exhibitors</td>
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### 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon

**Committee Meetings Continued . . .**

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<td><strong>Gallery Room</strong></td>
<td>Transportation Committee</td>
<td>John Ostlund, Chair, Yellowstone County</td>
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### 12:00-1:15 p.m.

**Lunch**

Executive/Legislative

Speaker: Governor Steve Bullock

1) Introduction of the head table

2) Pledge of Allegiance

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### 1:15-2:30 p.m.

**Governor’s Office of Budget & Program Planning**

Presenter: Tom Livers, Budget Director, Governor’s Office of Budget & Program Planning

The Montana Constitution requires that Montana adopt a balanced budget. The Governor’s Office of Budget and Program Planning is key to the success of that effort as the Legislature develops its priorities, which are not always in concert with the Governor’s priorities. Mr. Livers will discuss the role of the Budget Director, the Governor’s Proposed Budget, and Proposed Legislation Impacting Budget Discussions and Local Government.
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<td>Managing Employee Leave</td>
<td>State/Capitol Rooms</td>
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<td>Presenter: McKenzie McCarthy, MACo General Counsel</td>
<td>This session will cover the various types of leaves and their acceptable uses. This information will help supervisors manage their employees’ leave and ensure it is not being abused. We will cover sick, annual, military, jury duty, maternity, leave under the ADA, FMLA, and leave without pay. We will also talk about what to do when an employee exhausts all of their leave.</td>
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<td>Hard Rock Mining Counties Meeting</td>
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<td>Oil, Gas and Coal Counties Meeting</td>
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<td>Urban Counties Meeting</td>
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<td>4:00 p.m.</td>
<td>State Lands Meeting</td>
<td>Lewis Room</td>
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<td>HCT Trustees Meeting</td>
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<td>Coalition of Wildlife Counties Meeting</td>
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<td>Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)</td>
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<td>Presenter: Shaun McGrath, Director, Department of Environmental Quality</td>
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<td>The Montana DEQ interacts with counties in a multitude of ways that impact many facets of operations. Mr. McGrath will discuss DEQ initiatives and proposed legislation including the rationale for implementation and the potential benefits to local government. He will also discuss existing DEQ programs that interact with local government, the benefits, and any changes foreseen in his coming tenure as the new Director.</td>
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<td>Census 2020</td>
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<td>Presenter: Mike Cooney, Lieutenant Governor</td>
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<td>The 2020 Census is extremely important to Montana. Lt. Governor Cooney will discuss the wide-ranging impacts on Montana the census process can bring, financial and otherwise. As the leader of the Montana Complete Count Committee, he will highlight the team and subcommittees completing the work, the timeline, and the role of the Montana Census and Economic Information Center (CEIC) in the effort.</td>
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<td><strong>DNRC Fire Preparedness and Funding</strong></td>
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Presenters:
Sonja Germann, Forestry Division, Administrator/Montana State Forester Deputy Director; and Kerry Davant and Mike Degrosky, Fire & Aviation Chief

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation will discuss in detail what fire preparedness is, the benefits of fire preparedness to local communities, and the current funding structure for the fire preparedness budget. They will also be available to answer any questions as to how HB 31 may affect the DNRC fire preparedness budget.

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3:30-4:30 p.m.  Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)
State/Capitol Rooms

Presenter: Tim Fox, Attorney General

The Montana Department of Justice has wide-ranging priorities, including its Substance Use Disorder Initiative, Aid Montana; the 24/7 Sobriety Program; its Sex Assault Kit Initiative; and its work to end human trafficking within our borders. Attorney General Tim Fox will discuss a few of these key issues, as well as 2019 legislative priorities for his agency.

5:00 p.m.  MACo “Pool Party”
Ballroom

EVERYONE WELCOME!

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:30-9:00 a.m. Montana Department of Commerce
State/Capitol Rooms

Presenter: Jennifer Olson, Administrator, Community Development Division, Montana Department of Commerce

The Montana Department of Commerce Community Development Division delivers a broad range of community development technical assistance and programs, including essential infrastructure programs, to counties. Ms. Olson will briefly discuss the programs and how counties can best access them.

9:00-10:30 a.m. Staff Legislative Reports
State/Capitol Rooms

11:00 a.m. Load the bus to go to the Capitol

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Lunch in the Rotunda with Legislators

1:00-4:00 p.m. Spend the remainder of the afternoon at the Capitol

For those **not** wanting to spend the afternoon at the Capitol, the bus will return to the Delta Hotel Colonial at **1:00 p.m.**

For those **wanting** to spend the afternoon at the Capitol, the bus will return to the Delta Hotel Colonial at **4:00 p.m.**
MACo’s Upcoming Events

March 12, 2019
MACo PCT Regional Training
Glasgow

March 13, 2019
MACo PCT Regional Training
Miles City

March 14, 2019
MACo PCT Regional Training
Billings

March 15, 2019
MACo PCT Regional Training
Butte

April 2-3, 2019
PCT/WCT Trustees Renewal Meetings
MACo Conference Room, Helena

June 19, 2019
MACo Board of Directors
MACo HCT/PCT/WCT
Budget Adoption Meeting
MACo Conference Room, Helena

September 22-26, 2019
MACo 110th Annual Conference
Heritage Inn, Great Falls

December 2-5, 2019
MACo Elected Officials Training (Phase II)
Delta Hotels Marriott Colonial Hotel, Helena

More information about our events and other events pertinent to counties can be found on the MACo website: www.mtcounties.org.
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2. To provide education on self-determination techniques, such as charter government, functional consolidation, and facilitating agreements;
3. To educate the public using press releases distributed to local media to market county government; and
4. To promote effective tax reform including consideration of general sales tax.