



# Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Region Three Citizen's Advisory Committee  
FWP Region 3 – Bozeman  
May 14, 2015

**CAC Members Present:** Rick Grady, Harold Johns, David Gibson, Mike England, Dennis Nelson, Norm Bishop, Ken Sinay, Bill Mealer, Dan Crismore

**FWP Present:** Sam Sheppard, Andrea Jones, Howard Burt

**Public:** Kathryn QannaYahu

**Welcome and Introductions:** Sam Sheppard

**Andrea Jones** provided a brief legislative update regarding the passing of HB140. It is good news for the Department, but the bill was amended from the original. The senior age for license discount was not raised to 67 (remains 62). And an apprentice hunter certificate was included in the bill to allow individuals 10-17 to hunt without hunter education. Those individuals must still hunt with a mentor and can only use an apprentice certificate for two years. There is also a \$5 fee for that certificate. Other guidelines apply.

The Department is still approximately \$900,000 short of what it needed.

**Harold Johns** asked about Department acquisition of land and how that might be affected by recent legislative action and asked that the Department work harder to inform or educate on its land purchases/acquisitions.

**Hunter Ethics Campaign**

**Dennis Nelson** gave a thorough fundraising report for the Hunter Ethics Campaign (HEC). The HEC has received commitment from FWP headquarters for \$5,000 in seed money and is fairly confident that its application to Montana's Outdoor Legacy Foundation (MOLF) will result in matching funds. There is now a place to donate online through MOLF:

<https://www.mtoutdoorlegacy.org/donate/hunters-ethics-campaign>

Also Jill McMurray has been in touch with Sitka, who could not offer cash, but instead offered some product. Discussion followed on how the product could be used to bring in cash (i.e. used in a raffle or as a reward).

**David Gibson** briefly discussed his presentation to the Safari Club about the HEC and felt positive about its willingness to potentially donate.

**Dennis** called upon the group to commit to talking to individuals with whom they are acquainted at stores, organization and in other agencies about supporting the HEC through cash.

Several CAC members offered to make contacts with groups, individuals.

**Mike England** asked that the CAC continue to update the charts in Google Docs with the funding contacts mentioned above. To use Google Docs, URL: <https://docs.google.com/>, Username: [fwpreion3cachec@gmail.com](mailto:fwpreion3cachec@gmail.com), ask Mike or Andrea for password.

Mike then displayed the new options for the Hunt Right logo. And the group unanimously approved the logo and also approved the potential to set aside up to \$1,000 of its funding to use the graphic designer who made the logo and retain rights to it, etc.

Mike set up a Facebook page and offered to make all CAC members “administrators” of the page. It can be found here: <https://www.facebook.com/HuntRightMT>

Mike has secured two different web domains: HuntRightMT.org and HuntRightMT.com. The group discussed the necessity of an established webpage and the potential for it to be hosted under FWP’s site.

The group also looked at the list of deliverables/tasks in Google Docs and narrowed it down. Please see the Google Docs.

Andrea said she would send an email regarding the date for the next meeting which will likely occur the last or second-to-last week in June.