

## Drought Task Force

### Meeting 3 Agenda

**March 9, 2022, 10a.m. – 12p.m.**

Register for the [Zoom meeting here](#)

#### Meeting objectives:

- Update on [Montana Drought Management Plan](#) progress – including first regional stakeholder meeting (Dec. 2021) and upcoming (March 2022) meetings.
- Examine Montana’s current Drought Operational and Administrative Framework - from the 1995 Drought Plan - and discuss current roles, strengths, and weaknesses in state drought management and potential changes.
- Begin to understand the interconnectedness of drought management in Montana through dialogue with federal, tribal, local, nonprofit, university and other partners – as well as the public.

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10:00	<b>Welcome, Introductions and Overview</b> Brief recap of last Task Force meeting (Dec. 2021) Drought plan progress update	Shawn Johnson  Valerie Kurth, DNRC
10:10	<b>Drought Status/Water Supply Outlook</b>	Troy Blandford, MT State Library
10:20	<b>Montana’s Operational and Administrative Drought Framework</b> 1995 Drought Plan – existing management framework	Megan Burke, RESPEC
10:35	<b>Partners’ Roles in Drought Management</b> 2–3-minute ea. round robin	Shawn Johnson
10:55	<b>State Agency Roles in Drought Management &amp; Partners Discussion</b> Current, outdated, and future roles and priorities	Shawn Johnson
11:35	<b>Public Input &amp; Continued Discussion</b>	Shawn Johnson
11:55	<b>Wrap Up &amp; Next Steps</b> Follow-up for Task Force – Please review your agency’s section in 1995 Operational/Admin. Framework & add notes/comments Upcoming <a href="#">Regional Stakeholder Meetings</a>	Shawn Johnson
12:00	<b>Adjourn</b>	

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