



MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: August 20, 2015

Agenda Item: '15 & Forward – FWP Initiative

Division: Parks

Action Needed: Informational

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 10 minutes

Background (Brief description of the issue, decision to be made, history, etc.):

In the Fall of 2014 the '15 & Forward initiative was presented to all FWP employees. The initiative is a year-long effort for FWP to re-evaluate its mission and relevancy. The process involves both internal (staff) and external (constituent) input. The initiative includes examining ways to improve how FWP serves its many publics' and the resources the Department manages. The effort will also help identify priorities for the future.

A team of 27 FWP employees has been selected to work on the project. They are from all Divisions and areas of the state, with two team meetings have been held to-date. One of the first tasks of the group is to gather employee and public perceptions and expectations of FWP today and for the future.

Public Involvement Process & Results (Brief description of the type of public involvement and summary of what we heard from the public):

Employee and public input was gathered in July through mid-August via a series of listening sessions held throughout the state. For each session, a portion of the time was for FWP staff only, with a second evening time period devoted to the public's input. The results will be compiled and shared with those interested in the process.

Alternatives and Analysis (Brief description of alternative solutions with analysis of the pros and cons of each):

N/A

Agency Recommendation and Rationale (Brief description of our recommendation to the Board and the reasons for it):

N/A

Proposed Motion (Draft language the Board could use to adopt the agency recommendation):

This is an informational item to the Board. No Board action is required.