

# UPPER COLUMBIA CONSERVATION COMMISSION (UC<sup>3</sup>) SPRING MEETING

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

12:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Via Zoom (*contact staff for meeting participation details*)

## AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC/QUESTION	PRESENTER(S)	OBJECTIVE & PREPARATION	LINK TO STRATEGIC WORK PLAN
12:30 PM	<p>Welcome &amp; Agenda Overview Meeting Rules</p> <p>Zoom/virtual meeting etiquette</p> <p>Participant Introductions (roll call)</p>	<p>Stacey Schnebel, Chair UC<sup>3</sup>, Hydroelectric Cooperatives Rep.</p> <p>Tom Woolf, UC<sup>3</sup> Vice Chair; AIS Bureau Chief, MT Fish, Wildlife &amp; Parks; MISC Representative</p> <p>Kate Wilson, UC<sup>3</sup> Administrator</p> <p>Cassidy Bender, UC<sup>3</sup> Coordinator</p>	<p>Welcome Online Meeting Rules</p> <p>Review agenda and meeting materials provided in advance</p>	<p><b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Reliable AIS information source</i></li> <li>• <i>Connect w/partners &amp; stakeholders</i></li> <li>• <i>Encourage close cooperation</i></li> </ul>
12:45 PM	Public Comment	Stacey Schnebel		
12:50 PM	Overview of SB 384/Impacts to AIS Program from 2021 Legislative Session	Dustin Temple, FWP ( <i>invited</i> )		<p><b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Reliable AIS information source</i></li> </ul>
1:00 PM	<p>Staff &amp; Committee Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FY21 Budget</li> <li>• Grants</li> <li>• Legislative Summary</li> <li>• Upper Columbia Lakes Network</li> <li>• Industry Outreach project</li> <li>• Education &amp; outreach for 2021</li> <li>• 2021 Upper Columbia Basin AIS Monitoring Plan</li> <li>• FY22 proposed budget</li> <li>• Upcoming events</li> </ul> <p>ACTIONS: Approve minutes, updated FY21 line item budget &amp; discuss/approve FY22 proposed budget</p>	<p>Kate Wilson</p> <p>Cassidy Bender</p> <p>Brant Dupree, Big Sky Watershed Corps member</p> <p>Chris Downs, UC<sup>3</sup> Early Detection &amp; Monitoring Committee Chair</p>	<p>Review &amp; approve 2/4/21 minutes</p> <p>Discuss &amp; approve FY21 budget (modified); review plans for FY22 budget</p>	<p><b>Education &amp; Outreach</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Utilize E&amp;O Strategy</i></li> <li>• <i>Dev. Annual media plan</i></li> <li>• <i>Conduct industry outreach</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Monitoring &amp; Citizen Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ensure continuity of UCLN</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Encourage close cooperation</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Programmatic Policy &amp; Legislation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Provide input &amp; feedback</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Business &amp; Admin</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Provide accounting &amp; budget services</i></li> <li>• <i>Develop annual monitoring plan</i></li> </ul>

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1:40 PM	Pre-Season Inspection Season Presentation: <i>Containing &amp; Preventing AIS in Utah</i>	Nate Owens, AIS Coordinator – Utah Division of Wildlife Resources		<b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect w/partners &amp; stakeholders</li> </ul>
2:10 PM	BREAK			
2:25 PM	FWP AIS Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watercraft inspection stations</li> <li>• Monitoring</li> <li>• 2021 season plans</li> </ul>	Tom Woolf	Learn about this season's AIS activity & efforts; Q&A for FWP  Review 2020 program summaries; provide feedback	<b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect w/partners &amp; stakeholders</li> <li>• Encourage close cooperation</li> <li>• Provide support &amp; assistance</li> </ul> <b>Programmatic Policy &amp; Legislation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide input &amp; feedback</li> </ul>
2:45 PM	Member/Partner Highlight: Missoula County AIS District	Bryce Christiaens, Missoula County Weed District Manager  Joann Wallenburn, AIS District Chair	Dive deeper into background, other projects, staff and AIS work of partner org.	<b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect w/partners &amp; stakeholders</li> <li>• Encourage close cooperation</li> </ul>
3:00 PM	Partner AIS Programs & Efforts	Avista; Blackfoot Nation; Clark Fork Coalition; Conservation Districts: CSKT; Clearwater Resource Council; Electric Coops; Glacier National Park; Flathead Lakers; Flathead Lake Biological Station; Missoula-County Weed & AIS Districts; Montana Invasive Species Council; Sanders Co. Aquatic Plant Task Force; Swan Lakers; Trout Unlimited; USFS; Whitefish Lake Institute, etc.	Learn about this season's AIS activity & efforts; Q&A for partners	<b>Coordination &amp; Collaboration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reliable AIS information source</li> <li>• Connect w/partners &amp; stakeholders</li> <li>• Encourage close cooperation</li> <li>• Provide cooperative, inclusive and open environment</li> </ul>
3:40 PM	Improvements & Incentives Brainstorming session: Inspectors	All	Explore options for improving and/or incentivizing	<b>Programmatic Policy &amp; Legislation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide input &amp; feedback</li> </ul>
3:55 PM	Public Comment			
4:00 PM	ADJOURN			

***The mission of the [Upper Columbia Conservation Commission \(UC<sup>3</sup>\)](#) is to protect the aquatic environment in Montana tributaries to the Columbia River from the threat of AIS in order to protect water resources, downstream interests, and the economic and ecological vitality of the region.***

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