

Montana Invasive Species Council

Firewood SCIENCE ADVISORY PANEL

	MAY 3 - DAY ONE: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	
9:30 AM	Coffee available at the meeting room.	
10:00 AM	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">Montana Invasive Species Council (MISC)	Bryce Christiaens, MISC Chair
	Introductions	Panelists Participants
	Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none">Expected outcomes of the panel discussions	Mindy Wilkinson, Facilitator
10:40 AM	Perspective: Great Smoky Mountains National Park firewood management and opportunities.	Jesse Webster, Forester with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park
11:00 AM	Identify key issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Risk from firewood and regulatory toolsCommunication, partnerships, and opportunity	Mindy Wilkinson Panelists Participants
11:15AM	Regulatory Framework: EAB quarantine and the Department of Agriculture regulatory authority. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Questions	Ian Foley, Montana Department of Agriculture
11:30 PM	Perspective: Oregon Department of Agriculture and wood boring insect management in the Pacific Northwest. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Questions	Josh Vlach, Entomologist
11:45 AM	Discussion: Are current restrictions on EAB-contaminated materials sufficient to protect Montana trees and forests?	Panelists Participants
12:00 PM	Lunch	Lunch will be provided in the meeting room

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	DAY ONE Cont.	
12:45 PM	Discussion: Identify opportunities for coordination and harmonization between regional entities	Panelists Participants
2:00 PM	Break	
2:15 PM	Perspective: Tourism and Recreation Research, identifying the audience and communication strategies in Montana	Megan Schultz, Project Manager & Research Associate
2:35 PM	Discussion: Opportunities to increase efficiency in outreach efforts among agencies and stakeholders.	Panelists Participants
3:00 PM	Break	
3:15 PM	Perspective: The role of industry in firewood sales and forest protection	Kevin Kanduch, Logger at Kanduch Logging, Inc.
3:25 PM	Discussion: Markets for firewood, buy local, firewood exchange and opportunities to reduce the risk from wood transport.	Panelists Participants
3:50 PM	Review: Day 1 and expected outcomes for Day 2	Mindy Wilkinson
4:00 PM	End of Day 1	

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MAY 4 - DAY TWO: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM		
9:30 AM	Coffee available at the meeting room.	
10:00 AM	Welcome and Day 1 Highlights	Mindy Wilkinson
10:10 AM	Recommendations: Markets and Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pathways of spread• Buy Local• Distribution and Marketing• Sticking to the message• Effective communication	Panelists Participants
11:15 AM	Break	
11:30 AM	Key Findings Summary: Markets and Coordination <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Areas for future work• Priority identification	Panelists Participants
12:00 PM	Lunch	Lunch will be provided in the meeting room
12:45 PM	Recommendations: Regulatory Frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quarantines• Treatment requirements• Exchanges• International considerations	Panelists Participants
2:00 PM	Break	
2:15 PM	Key Findings Summary: Regulatory Frameworks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Areas for future work• Priority identification	Panelists Participants
3:00 PM	Recap of recommendations and action items	Mindy Wilkinson
4:00 PM	Close and adjourn	Bryce Christiaens