

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting/ Project Name:		MISC	
Date of Meeting:	January 16, 2018	Time:	8:30 – 9:00
Minutes Prepared By:	Stephanie Hester	Location:	Phone and DNRC, MT Room
1. Meeting Objective			
Vote on committee chairs and scientific advisory panel recommendation.			
2. Attendees			
Voting Council Members: Bryce Christiaens, Steve Wanderaas, Tom Woolf, Steve Tyrrel, Leigh Greenwood, Jan Stoddard, David Brooks, Dennis Longknife, Laurie Shafer, Kim Mangold, Mike Miller, Alec Underwood			
Other Participants: Dave Burch, Gary Adams, Stephanie Hester			
3. Agenda and Notes, Decisions, Issues			
Topic	Discussion		
Welcome	<p>Bryce opened the meeting at 8:35. Attendee roll call</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quorum confirmed 		
Committee Chairs	<p>Several committees were established at the Nov. 30 meeting. A call for committee members and chairs was sent out in early December. The following individuals have volunteered or have been nominated to serve as committee chairs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education and Outreach—Kate Wilson, DRNC Data Management—Jed Little, Missoula County Tree Pest—Katie McKeever, DNRC Forestry Assistance Bureau Firewood—Amy Gannon, DNRC, MISC Member Invasive Wood Trees—nomination to come <p>Bryce asked for other volunteers/nominations. None</p> <p>Motion: Steve Tyrell motioned to appoint the individuals who have volunteered or been nominated [listed above] to serve as MISC committee chairs. Jan Stoddard seconded.</p> <p>Discussion: none</p> <p>Vote: unanimous approval</p>		
Science Panel	<p>At the Nov. 30, 2017, MISC meeting, the Council voted to pursue the topic of eDNA as a tool for early detection of invasive mussels as the first MISC science advisory panel project. HB 622 directs MISC to identify, coordinate and maintain a scientific advisory panel. Tom was to provide a recommendation for the panel at the Feb. 20 meeting. Due to several positive eDNA detections of invasive mussels at Tiber Reservoir, Tom would like to assemble the panel as soon as possible.</p> <p>Tom provided an overview of the issues with using eDNA as a technique for early detection of invasive mussels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no consensus in the scientific community on the accuracy of the technique Emerging technique. Very little research is published on technique No conformance of methodologies between practitioners and labs 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FWP needs information to determine how to use the method operationally and how to advance the science <p>Motion: Leigh Greenwood motioned that eDNA for early detection of dreissenid mussels be the first topic of study for MISC's science advisory panel. Mike Miller seconded.</p> <p>Discussion: none</p> <p>Vote: unanimous approval</p> <p>ACTION: Tom to provide update on positive eDNA samples at Feb. 20 meeting.</p>
Wrap up	<p>Public comment: none</p> <p>Bryce closed the meeting at 8:53 a.m.</p>