

MAIN STREET MONTANA PROJECT

A BUSINESS PLAN *For Montana by Montanans*

Natural Resources Key Industry Network Meeting

Tuesday March 3, 2015

10:00 AM – 3 PM, Fish Wild Life and Parks Montana WILD Center
2668 Broadwater Ave, Helena MT 59601

Agenda

- 10:00 AM Welcome and Introductions**
Co-Chairs Todd Myers, Loren Rose, and KIN members
- 10:15 AM Preliminary Comments By and Discussion With Governor Steve Bullock**
- 10:45 AM Overview of the Governor's Main Street Montana Program**
Jim Molloy, Governor's Office
- 11:05 PM If You Were Granted One (Realistic) Wish that Would Help the Natural Resources Industry in Montana Flourish, What Would It Be?**
- 11:35 PM Setting the Context – Overview of the Montana Economy**
Joe Ramler, Senior Economist, Department of Commerce
- 11:50 PM Lunch**
- 12:20 PM Assessing Our Current State: SWOT**
Facilitated by Mary Craigle, Montana Dep't of Commerce
- 1:20 PM Break**
- 1:30 PM Prioritizing Issue Areas and Actions Across 5 Pillars**
1. Train and educate tomorrow's workforce today
 2. Create a climate that attracts, retains and grows business
 3. Build upon Montana's economic foundation (responsible use of natural resources; reliable infrastructure; protect quality of life)
 4. Market Montana
 5. Nurture Emerging Industries and encourage innovation.
- Facilitated by Mary Craigle, Montana Dep't of Commerce*
- 2:30 PM Where Do We Go From Here?**
- 3:00 PM Adjourn**