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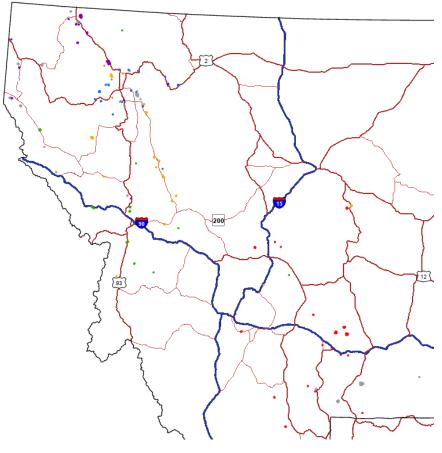


# 2024 Accomplishment Report

## 2024 Workshops/Monitoring

(as of 10/08/2024, additional plans will be submitted).

Workshops	Ownerships	<b>Participants</b>	Plans	Acres Owned	Acres in Plan
Frenchtown	14	25	9	859	352
Bozeman	18	32	10	2,622	446
Kalispell	16	29	9	623	167
Eureka	15	33	5	1,964	265
Condon	17	30	1	2,086	20
Total 2024 workshops	80	149	34	8,154	1,230
WS Reverifications/Monitoring	20				2,694
Total Verified and Monitored in 2024	54	149	54	8,154	3,944



Monitoring-Grey Frenchtown-Green Bozeman-Red Kalispell-Blue Eureka-Purple Condon-Orange

## Forest Stewardship Monitoring.

Eighteen ownerships were monitored and 6 were no longer interested, deceased, or deferred the visit to next year. Of those monitored, all were MSU Extension Forestry Stewardship Workshop generated plans. The completed monitoring included 14 Montana Tree Farm landowners. Monitoring visits were completed by various advisors, including 8 by private consultants, 4 by Montana DNRC employees, 14 by certified Tree Farm inspectors, and 2 by volunteer industry foresters from Idaho Forest Group, Stoltze Land and Lumber, and Sun Mountain Lumber).

#### **Instructors/Advisors**

Instructor teams included MSU Extension Forestry Forest Stewardship Coordinator, 5 private consultants, 2 MSU Extension Agents/Specialists, 4 DNRC Service Foresters, 1 NRCS Conservationist, and 1 Non-profit organization Conservation Associate (Swan Valley Connections). The workshop visits were assigned as follows: 12 to MSU Extension, 32 to DNRC Service Foresters, 29 to private consultants. 3 to NRCS Conservationists, and 2 to non-profit organization conservation associate. A total of 31 advisors assisted with the program in either teaching and/or conducting workshop and monitoring site visits. By category, there were 11 private consultants, 8 DNRC Service Foresters, 3 MSU Extension personnel, 8 industry foresters, and 1 NRCS Conservationists.

### Stewardship Curriculum Development and Preparation

- Trained under previous coordinator for 7 months.
- Review and revision of presentations and notebook materials.
- Updated mailing lists for 31 counties.
- Updated handouts for several presentations.

#### **Additional Stewardship Activities**

• Fire Presentation in De Borgia, MT (May 2024) with Sanders County Extension. Twenty attendees.

#### **Personal Communications and Assists**

In-person, phone, and on-line communications for forestry topic assistance with approximately 5 individuals.

#### **Participation with Organizations**

- SAF State Education Chair
- SAF Missoula Chapter Secretary
- Certified Montana Tree Farm inspector
- Montana Tree Farm Inspections Committee Member
- Montana Forest Stewardship Foundation

## **Youth/Educator Events**

- PLT Professional Development & Outreach: 5 events (466 participants)
- **Iowa State University**: Meeting with ISU Extension to continue working relationship with MSU Extension Forestry.
- MT DNRC: Youth Program development for the Crow Nation.

## **Professional Development**

- 2023 and 2024 MSU Extension Annual Conference in Bozeman.
- 2023 Pile Burning Workshop in Victor.
- MSU Mini-College at the University of Montana.
- Landowners Conference in Helena.
- Montana Tree Farm Annual Meeting in Bigfork.
- Women in the Woods Workshop at Lubrecht Experimental Forest.
- Elers Koch Lecture at the University of Montana.
- Montana Forest Counties Summit in Missoula.
- Montana Forest Collaboration Network Meeting in Missoula.
- Montana Invasive Species Council Summit in Helena.