

COLLABORATIVE CONSERVATION

WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT MONTANA

Montana Conservation Voters is a statewide non-partisan membership organization dedicated to fighting for Montana's air, water, open spaces, wildlife and public health. MCV provides voter participation services to tens of thousands of Montanans.

Montana Conservation Voters identifies and determines legislative priorities in collaboration with the Conservation Working Group (CWG), a diverse coalition of organizations with staff working in the legislature. MCV produces educational materials for lawmakers and the public throughout the session, including the weekly "Conservation Hotlist." The Hotlists summarize priority legislation, provide contact information for the lead lobbyist working on a bill and clearly identify CWG's position on legislation. MCV distributes the Hotlist to legislators, the Governor's office and the public. This scorecard includes votes from bills listed on the Hotlists that represent CWG priorities.

We deeply appreciate the members of CWG and thank them for their policy expertise and continued collaboration: Clark Fork Coalition, Forward Montana, Montana Audubon, Montana Chapter of the Sierra Club, Montana Environmental Information Center, Montana Public Interest Research Group, Montana Renewable Energy Association, Montana Wilderness Association, Montana Wildlife Federation, Northern Plains Resource Council and Trout Unlimited.

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A NOTE FROM MCV'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Montana Conservation Voters:

To say this was a unique year would be an understatement. Quite literally, we've never seen anything like it including at the Montana Legislature.

In 2021, we heard

more testimony over Zoom than testimony inperson. And Zoom was how we most frequently connected with many legislators as they were serving from the safety of their homes. While allowing the public to virtually participate in committee hearings was a step forward for democracy, we often saw committee chairs limit testimony to only a minute due to the volume of advocates signed up to testify.

And we have a new Governor, Greg Gianforte. Many of our foes were emboldened, and MCV, like our champions, spent most of our time playing defense without the certainty of veto power as a backstop to bad bills.

Despite these uncharted waters, MCV and our Conservation Working Group partners still found success in killing a wide range of bad policy proposals, including bills that would have facilitated public land transfer, decimated in-state solar power development and put Montanans on the hook for the aging coal-fired power plant in Colstrip. We scored an immense win with the passage of legislation dedicating millions of dollars from marijuana revenue toward our public lands! We fought our hearts out to make sure this new funding became a reality, but ultimately we have you to thank. The overwhelmingly powerful message Montanans sent with the passage of I-190 was too much for the legislature to ignore.

Shockingly, many legislators did ignore Montanans this session and it is our job to make sure their constituents know it. Directly contradicting the will of your constituents, jeopardizing the safety of their air and water, supporting the sale of their public lands these positions are simply unacceptable.

Thankfully we still have dependable legislative champions and they are inspiring. I for one have never been more thankful than I am now for their tireless efforts. All Montanans sincerely owe a debt of gratitude for their service.

Now let's get back to it. Stay informed, stay engaged and together we can keep Montana the Last Best Place.

Yours in conservation,

Whitney Tawney Executive Director

HONOR ROLL





Senator Jill Cohenour (D-East Helena) and Senator Tom Jacobson (D-Great Falls)

This pair made it on our 2019 Scorecard for bringing similar, proactive public lands bills to the Legislature. Once again, they served as joint conservation champions, this time with both of them in the Senate as they successfully fought for public lands funding from marijuana tax revenue.



Senator Bryce Bennett (D-Missoula)

Lifetime champion Senator Bryce Bennett continued his fight as an ardent champion of voting rights and our outdoor way of life. Senator Bennett sacrificed his 100%

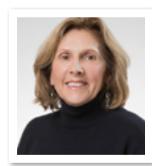
MCV lifetime score in defense of conservation. He honorably protest voted against HB 701 because it did not provide the level of conservation funding Montanans voted for last November when we approved I-190 legalizing recreational marijuana.



Senator Brad Molnar (*R*-Laurel)

Senator Brad Molnar was a champion for ratepayers this session. He opposed Northwestern Energy's attempts at a legislative bailout, and he also voted

against a bill that overturned a citizen initiative on nuclear power.



Rep. Denise Hayman (D-Bozeman)

Representative Denise Hayman remained a dependable leader on the House Energy Committee by supporting clean air and water with every vote. She also introduced

HB 99, which would have encouraged more competition in Montana's energy sector. The bill was unfortunately tabled in Committee.



Rep. Marilyn Marler (*D*-*Missoula*)

Representative Marilyn Marler was a staunch advocate for our land, water and wildlife as a member of the House Natural Resources and House Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Committees. And in the House Taxation Committee, she spoke up on SB 257, which restricts local governments from enacting policies that support energy efficiency and help mitigate climate change. We commend Rep. Marler for continuing to be a strong voice for our outdoors.



Rep. Mike Hopkins (*R-Missoula*)

Representative Mike Hopkins was the bill sponsor for HB 701, the flagship recreational marijuana revenue legislation that set up dedicated funding for our public lands and

outdoor way of life. This state investment is a historic win for the conservation community who has been trying to find a way to increase investments by the state into conservation.





Senator Steve Fitzpatrick (R-Great Falls)

Senator Steve Fitzpatrick launched an all-out assault on renewable energy this session. He was the architect of SB 379, a bill that would have raised the

energy costs of Montana's ratepayers by hundreds of dollars per year. This bill sparked protests across the state, including Sen. Fitzpatrick's hometown of Great Falls, and was struck down 11-1 in the House Energy Committee.



Rep. Steve Gunderson (*R*-*Libby*)

Representative Steve Gunderson was public lands enemy number one in the Montana Legislature. HB 281 would have eliminated non-motorized trails on

state and local public lands. And HB 320 would have facilitated public land transfer. HB 418 would have opened the door for roads through wilderness areas. And the list goes on. Thankfully, none of these bad public lands bills made it to the Governor's desk.



Rep. Brad Tschida (R-Missoula)

Representative Brad Tschida was one of the many antipublic lands culprits who tried to strip conservation funding from recreational marijuana to fund tax breaks

for millionaires. Rep. Tschida introduced one of the competing marijuana bills, HB 707, which was eventually tabled in the State Senate.



Rep. Paul Fielder (R-Thompson Falls)

Representative Paul Fielder successfully passed a series of anti-wildlife bills this year and carried on the legacy of his wife, former state Senator and current Public

Service Commissioner Jennifer Fielder. Thankfully, his proposed amendment to the Montana Constitution that would have undercut the state's wildlife management authority failed to pass the Senate.



Rep. Matt Regier (*R*-Kalispell)

Representative Matt Regier was one of the other antipublic lands legislators who was bent on stripping away any tax revenue from marijuana for our public

lands. Rep. Regier authored one of the competing marijuana bills, and led an effort in the final hours of the session to completely undo all the hard work that had gone into the main marijuana bill, including conservation funding for our public lands and outdoors.

LIFETIME CHAMPIONS

We value <u>all</u> our conservation allies in the legislature but these legislators deserve special recognition for achieving perfect MCV ratings over multiple sessions.

Freshman legislators who earned 100% scores are not included here but we look forward to our continued work together and hope they, too, become lifetime champions!



Sen. Pat Flowers (D-Belgrade)





Sen. Susan Webber (D-Browning)

Rep. Robert Farris-

Olson (D-Helena)

Rep. Connie Keogh

(D-Missoula)



Rep. Kim Abbott (D-Helena)



Sen. Mary McNally (D-Billings)



Sen. Ellie Boldman (D-Missoula)



Sen. Shane Morigeau (D-Missoula)



Rep. Willis Curdy (D-Missoula)

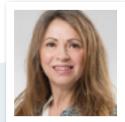




Sen. JP Pomnichowski (D-Bozeman)



Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D-Helena)



Rep. Jessica Karjala (D-Billings)



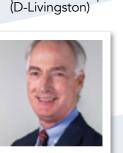
Rep. Katie Sullivan (D-Missoula)



Rep. Dave Fern (D-Whitefish)



Rep. Emma Kerr-Carpenter (D-Billings)



Rep. Laurie Bishop

Rep. Jim Hamilton (D-Bozeman)



Rep. Marilyn Marler (D-Missoula)



Rep. Denise Hayman (D-Bozeman)



Rep. Tyson Running Wolf (D-Browning)





2021 VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

HB 576 To repeal the renewable portfolio standard

Sponsor: Representative Jerry Schillinger (R-Circle)

This bill repeals the renewable portfolio standard, which requires a certain percentage of Montana's energy portfolio to come from renewable energy, and has been a significant driver of economic and renewable energy development in Montana since 2005.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 31-19, Passed

House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 68-31, Passed

Bill Status: Veto request rejected. Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

SB 147 To establish commercial property assessed capital enhancements program

Sponsor: Senator Mary McNally (D-Billings)

SB 147 establishes a program to overcome a financing gap in upgrading old and energy-inefficient buildings. Known by its acronym, C-PACE, the bill leverages private dollars for energy efficiency upgrades. This voluntary financing would boost economic development for main street Montana, and help create an environment where businesses are able to thrive and create good-paying jobs.

Conservation Community Position: Support Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 28-22, Passed House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 60-37, Passed Bill Status: Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

SB 260 Generally revise related to property interests and transfer of businesses

Sponsor: Senator Steve Fitzpatrick (R-Great Falls)

This bill would have required the state to compensate landowners whenever a regulation diminishes the value of private property by 25% regardless of the need for the regulation for public health, welfare or safety reasons. This includes commonsense energy and wildlife management regulations.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 2nd Reading 31-19, Passed House Vote Scored: 2nd Reading 41-59, Failed Bill Status: Dead

HB 318 To clarify definition of bison

Sponsor: Representative Kenneth Holmlund (R-Miles City)

This bill changes the definition of "wild bison" or "wild buffalo" to include "has not been reduced to captivity", "never has been subject to a per capita fee under 15-24-921", and "has never been owned by a person." The changes may mean that even Yellowstone National Park bison held captive for quarantine, and their offspring, would be treated as livestock.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 2nd Reading 31-19, Passed

House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 65-33, Passed

Bill Status: Veto request rejected. Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

SB 164 To revise non-degradation standards for nitrates

Sponsor: Representative Carl Glimm (R-Kila)

This bill would increase the standards for allowable pollution of nitrates to 10 milligrams per liter. Nitrates are commonly associated with sewage. This is the maximum pollution allowed under the Clean Water Act, and will likely lead to violations of narrative water quality standards for fishable, swimmable, and drinkable rivers and streams.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 29-20, Passed House Vote Scored: 2nd Reading 48-52, Failed Bill Status: Dead

HB 701 To generally revise marijuana laws

Sponsor: Representative Mike Hopkins (R-Missoula)

This bill allocated funding for conservation through the taxation for recreational marijuana sales. Thanks to the passage of this bill, Habitat Montana, state parks, trails and nongame wildlife conservation will receive additional funding from this new revenue source.

Conservation Community Position: Support

Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 34-16, Passed

House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 47-53, Failed (but later passed a vote to reconsider the bill)

Bill Status: Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

HB 176 To end same day voter registration

Sponsor: Representative Sharon Greef (R-Florence)

HB 176 closes late voter registration at noon the day before Election Day. This bill was designed to disenfranchise Montanans who may want to register to vote last-minute. Furthermore, Montanans recently voted in 2014 to support keeping our same-day voter registration laws. This bill directly overturns the will of the voters.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 30-20, Passed

House Vote Scored: 2nd Reading 61-39, Passed

Bill Status: Veto request rejected. Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

HB 273 To eliminate restrictions on nuclear facility development

Sponsor: Representative Derek Skees (R-Kalispell)

HB 273 repeals laws pertaining to the Major Facility Siting Act. Under the Act, voters have to approve or reject a proposed nuclear facility and HB 273 will repeal that language. Repealing this language severely weakens the public's say in whether or not Montana pursues nuclear energy, and, instead, forces Montanans to deal with the repercussions whether they want the nuclear facility or not.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 30-20, Passed

House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 68-32, Passed

Bill Status: Veto request rejected. Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

HB 481 To protect critical infrastructure

Sponsor: Representative Steve Gunderson (R-Libby)

HB 281 severely increases penalties for trespassing on or tampering with energy infrastructure property, despite existing laws that cover trespassing and vandalization. It could also threaten to bankrupt organizations deemed "guilty by association" for acts of vandalism that they did not cause. The bill intimidates Montanans from using their first amendment rights to peaceful protest with vague language and harsh reprimands.

Conservation Community Position: Oppose

Senate Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 31-19, Passed

House Vote Scored: 3rd Reading 65-34, Passed

Bill Status: Veto request rejected. Signed into law by Gov. Gianforte

2021 SCORECARD VOTES



2021 SENATE SCORECARD

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Dist.	Senator	City	HB 576	SB 147	SB 260	HB 318	SB 164	HB 701	HB 176	HB 273	HB 481	2021 Score	Lifetime Score
SD 20	Ankney, Duane (R)	Colstrip	X	1	×	×	A/E	1	X	×	×	25%	22%
SD 50	Bennett, Bryce (D)	Missoula	1	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	×	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	89%	98%
SD 04	Blasdel, Mark (R)	Kalispell	X	×	×	×	×	1	×	X	X	11%	4%
SD 19	Bogner, Kenneth (R)	Miles City	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	0%	6%
SD 12	Boland, Carlie (D)	Great Falls	1	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A second s	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A second s	1	1	√	√	100%	100%
SD 45	Boldman, Ellie (D)	Missoula	√	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A set of the set of the		1	√	√	√	100%	100%
SD 07	Brown, Bob (R)	Thompson Falls	X	X	X	X	×	1	×	X	X	11%	9%
SD 42	Cohenour, Jill (D)	East Helena	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	1	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A set of the set of the	100%	99%
SD 01	Cuffe, Mike (R)	Eureka	X	 Image: A set of the set of the	×	×	×	1	×	×	×	22%	14%
SD 41	Ellis, Janet (D)	Helena	1	 Image: A second s	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	 Image: A second s	1	1	 Image: A second s	 Image: A second s	100%	100%
SD 43	Ellsworth, Jason (R)	Hamilton	X	×	×	×	×	1	×	X	X	11%	12%
SD 30	Esp, John (R)	Big Timber	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	0%	13%
SD 20	Fitzpatrick, Steve (R)	Great Falls	X	X	X	X	×	1	×	X	X	11%	26%
SD 32	Flowers, Pat (D)	Belgrade	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A set of the set of the	1	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	100%	100%
SD 16	Fox, Mike (D)	Hays	√	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A second s	 Image: A set of the set of the	1	√	 Image: A second s	 Image: A second s	100%	100%
SD 26	Friedel, Chris (R)	Billings	X	×	×	×	×	1	×	X	X	11%	11%
SD 40	Gauthier, Terry (R)	Helena	X	√	×	X	×	1	×	X	X	22%	33%
SD 09	Gillespie, Bruce (R)	Ethridge	X	×	×	×	×	1	×	×	×	11%	24%
SD 02	Glimm, Carl (R)	Kila	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	0%	4%
SD 25	Gross, Jen (D)	Billings	√	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A second s	 Image: A set of the set of the	 Image: A set of the set of the	1	1	√	√	100%	100%
SD 06	Hertz, Greg (R)	Polson	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	0%	5%
SD 18	Hinebauch, Steve (R)	Wibaux	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	0%	3%
SD 13	Hoven, Brian (R)	Great Falls	X	 Image: A set of the set of the	×	×	×	1	×	X	X	22%	28%
SD 29	Howard, David (R)	Park City	X	X	×	X	X	×	×	X	X	0%	5%
SD 11	Jacobson, Tom (D)	Great Falls	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	1	1	 Image: A second s	 Image: A start of the start of	100%	77%

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Dist.	Senator	City	HB 576	SB 147	SB 260	HB 318	SB 164	HB 701	HB 176	HB 273	HB 481	2021 Score	Lifetime Score
SD 22	Kary, Doug (R)	Billings	×	1	X	×	×	×	X	X	X	11%	10%
SD 05	Keenan, Bob (R)	Bigfork	×	X	X	×	×	×	×	X	X	0%	8%
SD 33	Lang, Mike (R)	Malta	×	X	X	×	×	×	×	X	X	0%	10%
SD 37	Lynch, Ryan (D)	Butte	1	 Image: A second s	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A second s	1	√	1	100%	82%
SD 44	Manzella, Theresa (R)	Hamilton	×	×	X	×	×	 Image: A second s	×	×	X	11%	13%
SD 38	McClafferty, Edie (D)	Butte	1	√	1	1	1	 Image: A second s	1	√	1	100%	88%
SD 23	McGillvray, Tom (R)	Billings	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	0%	8%
SD 24	McNally, Mary (D)	Billings	1	√	1	1	1	 Image: A second s	√	√	1	100%	100%
SD 28	Molnar, Brad (R)	Laurel	×	 Image: A set of the set of the	X	×	×	×	×	 Image: A set of the set of the	X	22%	22%
SD 48	Morigeau, Shane (D)	Missoula	1	√	1	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	 Image: A start of the start of	1	√	1	100%	100%
SD 46	O'Brien, Shannon (D)	Missoula	1	√	1	√	 ✓ 	 Image: A start of the start of	√	√	1	100%	100%
SD 15	Osmundson, Ryan (R)	Buffalo	×	×	X	×	×	×	×	×	X	0%	8%
SD 33	Pomnichowski, JP (D)	Bozeman	1	√	1	1	1	1	1	√	1	100%	100%
SD 31	Pope, Christopher (D)	Bozeman	1	√	1	√	√	×	1	√	1	89%	96%
SD 03	Regier, Keith (R)	Kalispell	×	X	X	×	×	√	×	X	X	11%	12%
SD 35	Sales, Walt (R)	Manhattan	×	 Image: A start of the start of	×	×	×	 Image: A start of the start of	×	×	X	22%	21%
SD 47	Salomon, Daniel (R)	Ronan	×	1	X	×	×	 ✓ 	×	×	X	22%	21%
SD 49	Sands, Diane (D)	Missoula	1	√	1	1	1	1	1	√	1	100%	99%
SD 21	Small, Jason (R)	Busby	×	√	×	×	×	 Image: A start of the start of	1	×	X	33%	39%
SD 27	Smith, Cary (R)	Billings	×	×	X	×	×	×	×	×	X	0%	4%
SD 39	Sweeney, Mark (D)	Philipsburg	 ✓ 	√	1	1	1	√	√	√	1	100%	89%
SD 14	Tempel, Russ (R)	Chester	×	×	X	X	1	1	×	×	X	22%	20%
SD 34	Vance, Gordon (R)	Belgrade	×	×	X	X	X	X	×	×	X	0%	4%
SD 08	Webber, Susan (D)	Browning	 ✓ 	√	1	1	1	√	√	√	1	100%	100%
SD 36	Welborn, Jeffrey (R)	Dillon	×	X	X	×	×	1	×	X	X	11%	17%

2021 HOUSE SCORECARD

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HD 83	Abbott, Kim (D)	Helena	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 20	Anderson, Fred (R)	Great Falls	X	1	1	×	1	X	×	×	X	33%	26%
HD 29	Bartel, Dan (R)	Lewistown	X	X	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	11%	14%
HD 80	Beard, Becky (R)	Elliston	X	X	1	×	×	X	×	×	×	11%	7%
HD 86	Bedey, David (R)	Hamilton	X	1	X	×	1	1	×	×	X	33%	22%
HD 58	Berglee, Seth (R)	Joliet	X	X	×	×	×	X	×	×	X	0%	3%
HD 75	Bertoglio, Marta (R)	Montana City	X	1	×	×	1	X	×	×	×	22%	22%
HD 85	Binkley, Michelle (R)	Hamilton	X	1	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	22%	22%
HD 60	Bishop, Laurie (D)	Livingston	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 44	Brewster, Larry (R)	Billings	X	X	×	1	×	X	×	×	X	11%	11%
HD 63	Buckley, Alice (D)	Bozeman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 21	Buttrey, Edward (R)	Great Falls	X	1	×	×	1	1	×	×	X	33%	25%
HD 81	Caferro, Mary (D)	Helena	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	91%
HD 69	Carlson, Jennifer (R)	Manhattan	X	1	×	×	×	X	×	×	X	11%	11%
HD 98	Curdy, Willis (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 39	Custer, Geraldine (R)	Forsyth	X	1	1	×	1	1	1	×	X	56%	62%
HD 70	Dooling, Julie (R)	Helena	X	1	X	×	1	X	×	×	X	22%	28%
HD 84	Dunwell, Mary Ann (D)	Helena	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 02	Duram, Neil (R)	Eureka	X	1	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	22%	11%
HD 79	Farris-Olsen, Robert (D)	Helena	1	A/E	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 05	Fern, Dave (D)	Whitefish	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 13	Fielder, Paul (R)	Thompson Falls	X	X	1	×	×	X	×	×	×	11%	11%
HD 17	Fitzgerald, Ross (R)	Fairfield	X	1	×	×	1	1	×	×	X	33%	22%
HD 51	Fleming, Frank (R)	Billings	X	X	X	×	×	X	×	×	×	0%	11%
HD 94	France, Tom (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%

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HD 78	Frazer, Gregory (R)	Deer Lodge	×	1	×	×	1	1	1	A/E	X	50%	50%
HD 08	Fuller, John (R)	Kalispell	×	X	×	×	X	X	X	X	X	0%	0%
HD 82	Funk, Moffie (D)	Helena	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	 Image: A state of the state of	100%	98%
HD 24	Galloway, Steve (R)	Great Falls	×	X	√	×	X	X	X	X	×	11%	11%
HD 30	Galt, Wylie (R)	Martinsdale	×	X	X	X	X	1	X	X	×	11%	4%
HD 07	Garner, Frank (R)	Kalispell	×	1	X	X	1	1	X	X	×	33%	23%
HD 64	Gillette, Jane (R)	Bozeman	×	X	X	×	X	X	X	X	×	0%	0%
HD 25	Gist, Steve (R)	Cascade	×	1	1	X	X	X	X	X	×	22%	22%
HD 88	Greef, Sharon (R)	Florence	×	1	X	X	1	X	X	X	×	22%	28%
HD 01	Gunderson, Steve (R)	Libby	×	1	1	×	X	X	X	X	X	22%	11%
HD 61	Hamilton, Jim (D)	Bozeman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 74	Harvey, Derek (D)	Butte	×	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	 Image: A second s	89%	89%
HD 76	Hawk, Donovan, (D)	Butte	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 66	Hayman, Denise (D)	Bozeman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 28	Hill, Ed (R)	Havre	×	X	1	×	X	X	X	X	×	11%	11%
HD 68	Hinkle, Caleb (R)	Belgrade	×	A/E	1	X	X	X	1	X	×	25%	25%
HD 67	Hinkle, Jedediah (R)	Belgrade	×	X	1	X	X	X	X	X	×	11%	13%
HD 38	Holmlund, Kenneth (R)	Miles City	×	1	X	X	1	1	X	X	×	33%	21%
HD 92	Hopkins, Mike (R)	Missoula	×	√	X	×	1	1	X	X	×	33%	45%
HD 18	Jones, Llew (R)	Conrad	×	1	X	X	1	X	X	X	×	22%	19%
HD 48	Karjala, Jessica (D)	Billings	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 27	Kassmier, Joshua (R)	Fort Benton	×	1	×	×	1	X	×	X	×	22%	17%
HD 73	Keane, Jim (D)	Butte	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	 Image: A second s	100%	55%
HD 47	Kelker, Kathy (D)	Billings	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	97%
HD 91	Keogh, Connie (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%

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HD 23	Kerns, Scot (R)	Great Falls	×	X	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	11%	11%
HD 49	Kerr-Carpenter, Emma (D)	Billings	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 33	Knudsen, Casey (R)	Malta	X	×	X	×	×	X	×	×	X	0%	0%
HD 34	Knudsen, Rhonda (R)	Culbertson	×	×	X	A/E	X	X	×	×	X	0%	0%
HD 65	Kortum, Kelly (D)	Bozeman	1	1	√	1	√	1	1	√	1	100%	100%
HD 53	Lenz, Dennis (R)	Billings	×	×	1	×	X	X	×	×	X	11%	4%
HD 35	Ler, Brandon (R)	Savage	×	X	X	×	X	X	×	×	X	0%	0%
HD 14	Loge, Denley (R)	St. Regis	×	1	X	×	×	1	×	×	X	22%	15%
HD 59	Malone, Marty (R)	Pray	×	1	X	×	X	X	×	×	×	11%	11%
HD 90	Marler, Marilyn (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 87	Marshall, Ron (R)	Hamilton	×	X	1	×	×	X	1	×	×	22%	22%
HD 19	McKamey, Wendy (R)	Ulm	×	1	X	×	1	X	×	×	×	22%	17%
HD 46	Mercer, Bill (R)	Billings	×	×	X	×	×	X	×	×	X	0%	6%
HD 03	Mitchell, Braxton (R)	Columbia Falls	×	X	1	×	×	X	×	×	×	11%	11%
HD 54	Moore, Terry (R)	Billings	×	×	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	11%	6%
HD 57	Nave, Fiona (R)	Columbus	×	×	X	×	×	X	×	×	X	0%	0%
HD 10	Noland, Mark (R)	Bigfork	×	X	X	×	×	X	1	×	X	11%	8%
HD 77	Novak, Sara (D)	Anaconda	×	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	89%	89%
HD 100	Olsen, Andrea (D)	Missoula	1	×	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	89%	97%
HD 52	Patelis, Jimmy (R)	Billings	×	X	X	×	×	X	×	×	×	0%	0%
HD 36	Phalen, Bob (R)	Lindsay	×	1	X	×	×	X	×	×	×	11%	11%
HD 09	Putnam, Brian (R)	Kalispell	×	1	X	×	1	1	1	1	X	56%	56%
HD 93	Read, Joe (R)	Ronan	×	×	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	0%	6%
HD 06	Regier, Amy (R)	Kalispell	×	×	1	×	×	×	×	×	×	11%	11%
HD 04	Regier, Matt (R)	Kalispell	×	×	1	×	×	X	×	×	X	11%	4%

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HD 12	Reksten, Linda (R)	Polson	A/E	1	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	25%	25%
HD 55	Ricci, Vince (R)	Laurel	×	X	X	×	×	×	X	×	X	0%	0%
HD 16	Running Wolf, Tyson (D)	Browning	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	√	100%	100%
HD 37	Schillinger, Jerry (R)	Circle	×	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	0%	0%
HD 43	Seekins-Crowe, Kerri (R)	Billings	×	X	X	×	×	×	×	×	X	0%	0%
HD 22	Sheldon-Galloway, Lola (R)	Great Falls	×	X	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	11%	7%
HD 11	Skees, Derek (R)	Kalispell	×	X	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	11%	4%
HD 31	Smith, Frank (D)	Poplar	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	X	78%	78%
HD 62	Stafman, Ed (D)	Bozeman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 42	Stewart-Peregoy, Sharon (D)	Crow Agency	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	90%
HD 50	Stromswold, Mallerie (R)	Billings	×	1	X	×	×	×	X	×	X	11%	11%
HD 89	Sullivan, Katie (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 95	Tenenbaum, Danny (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	A/E	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 99	Thane, Mark (D)	Missoula	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	100%
HD 26	Trebas, Jeremy (R)	Great Falls	×	1	×	×	×	1	×	×	X	22%	11%
HD 97	Tschida, Brad (R)	Missoula	×	X	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	11%	8%
HD 40	Usher, Barry (R)	Billings	×	X	1	×	×	×	X	×	X	11%	7%
HD 56	Vinton, Sue (R)	Billings	×	X	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	11%	4%
HD 71	Walsh, Kenneth (R)	Twin Bridges	×	1	X	×	1	1	×	×	X	33%	33%
HD 15	Weatherwax, Marvin (D)	Browning	1	A/E	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	94%
HD 72	Welch, Tom (R)	Dillon	×	1	×	×	1	1	×	×	X	33%	26%
HD 41	Whiteman Pena, Rynalea (D)	Lame Deer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	A/E	1	100%	100%
HD 96	Whitman, Kathy (R)	Missoula	×	1	×	×	1	×	×	×	X	22%	22%
HD 32	Windy Boy, Jonathan (D)	Box Elder	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100%	83%
HD 45	Zolnikov, Katie (R)	Billings	×	X	1	×	×	×	×	×	X	11%	11%



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SECURING PUBLIC LANDS FUNDING THROUGH HB 701

Montanans gave themselves the opportunity of a lifetime in this year's state legislative session thanks to their approval of Ballot Initiative 190 in the 2020 election.

I-190 legalized recreational marijuana for adults over age 21 and directed the tax revenue to fund our public lands through Habitat Montana, state parks, trails and nongame wildlife conservation.

This initiative was so popular that more Montanans voted for it than for Governor Greg Gianforte. That's quite a mandate for the places we love to hunt, fish, bike, camp and hike!

Starting in January, our lawmakers in Helena were tasked with honoring the will of the voters through their role in creating the state's budget. With your help, *MCV led efforts with conservation partners to speak up for our public lands* by gathering virtual testimony, petition signatures, rallying, writing in to local newspapers and more!

State representatives introduced a handful of bills focused on allocating I-190 monies, and only one of those bills included conservation funding in its plan, House Bill 701. This bill, sponsored by Rep. Mike Hopkins, was the flagship marijuana bill of the session. All of the marijuana bills, good and bad, made it to the State Senate. So there was still a lot of work to be done in the second chamber. HB 701 didn't contain any dedicated conservation funding for Habitat Montana, state parks and trails or non game wildlife. Habitat Montana is a popular conservation tool used to improve access, acquire more public lands and protect working farms and ranches in perpetuity. Our state parks and trails have a \$25 million plus maintenance backlog. Again, thanks to a loud public voice, 32% of I-190 revenues were dedicated to these conservation programs.

This historic addition of funding for our public lands and outdoors was signed into law by Governor Gianforte this spring, and it's worth celebrating! We're grateful for all the members of the State Legislature who voted for this game-changing legislation. Despite the challenges in passing a bill that honored the intent of the voters through I-190, Montana continues to be a state that prioritizes conserving our public lands for future generations.

HOLDING ELECTED OFFICIALS ACCOUNTABLE WORK TO BE DONE



MCV's scorecard is a powerful tool—and we hope you'll use it to hold your legislators accountable. However, there are many other facets of state and local government that work to mitigate impacts from climate change, keep our air and water clean and ensure that our public lands are accessible to all. *These boards, commissions, city councils and county commissions across Montana make decisions every day that impact our way of life*—and these folks are up for election this year! If you've been thinking about running for office or want to do more to make a difference—start here! These local positions are critical and the impact of their work is immediate.

2021 MUNICIPAL ELECTION DATES and **DEADLINES**

June 21	Close of candidate filing
August 16	Close of regular voter registration for primary election
August 17	Opening of late voter registration for primary election
September 13, 12pm	Deadline to apply for an early ballot for primary election
September 14	Municipal Primary Election Day
October 4	Close of regular voter registration for general election
October 5	Opening of late voter registration for general election
November 1, 12pm	Deadline to apply for an early ballot for general election
November 2	Municipal General Election Day



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