

Otter Creek Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Project Watershed Advisory Group & Stakeholder Meeting

Thursday, June 6, 2013
Ashland, MT
St. Labre School – Soaring Eagle Auditorium

Meeting Agenda (times are approximate)

5:30: Introduction (Dean Yashan)

- Why Does DEQ Monitor Surface Water Quality & Write TMDLs?
- What is a TMDL?
- Otter Creek TMDL Project Area Description & Water Quality Impairment Causes

5:45: Iron TMDL (Kristy Fortman)

- Possible Sources of Iron in the Otter Creek Watershed
- 2013 Iron Water Quality Sampling
- Iron TMDL Development Methods

5:55: Sediment TMDL (Kristy Fortman)

- Sediment Source Assessment Approaches
- Existing Data/Information & 2013 Data Collection Plans
- Potential Sediment TMDL Development Approaches

6:10: Salinity TMDL (Erik Makus)

- What is Salinity and SAR (sodium adsorption ratio) and Why are they Important?
- Salinity Data Currently Available & What Data DEQ is Collecting
- Salinity Modeling: LSPC Model for Otter Creek

6:25: Meeting Wrap-Up (Christina Staten)

- Project Schedule
- Project Website & Available Data and Information
- Public Comment Period and Public Meeting for Draft TMDL Document

6:30: TMDL Discussion / Questions & Answers