

## Coordinating Meeting – Traffic Safety & Wildlife Connectivity

Gallatin County Courthouse Community Room or zoom (link to be shared)

Thursday, June 29, 2023

1:30-3:00pm

Purpose of Meeting: Bring public and private partners together to advance traffic safety and wildlife connectivity by identifying strategic steps, roles / responsibilities, and lead organizers for tasks in the coming 12-18 months.

### Invitees:

WTI – Rob Ament and Rebecca Gleason

CLLC – Abigail Bruer and Liz Fairbank

MDT – Deb Wambach and Dave Gates

MT FWP – Julie Cunningham

Gallatin Wildlife / Craighead Institute, Clint Nagel, Renee Callahan, April & Lance

County- Commission, Grants, Finance, Roads

Others?

### Draft Agenda: 1.5 hours

- 1) Introductions – 5 minutes
- 2) Affirm Goal: To successfully implement priority wildlife crossing and traffic safety projects in Gallatin County. -5 minutes
- 3) Affirm Partnerships: Build an inclusive, cooperative working group to share resources, leverage match and funding, maximize expertise and build public support for wildlife crossing and traffic safety priority projects. – 5 minutes
- 4) Evaluate pathways and resources

Round Robin: each partner presents what they bring to the table (the table below can help organize your presentations, Note that entries in the table may not be complete) – 5 minutes each (30 minutes)

ORGANIZATION	PROGRAM / PROJECT	SKILLS & TECHNICAL EXPERTISE	MONEY OR MATCH OR IN-KIND	CAPACITY TO LEAD
MDT	<a href="#">Montana Wildlife &amp; Transportation Partnership - MWTP Planning Tool   Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) (mt.gov)</a>	Engineering, design, Public engagement		
WTI		Planning Grant, engineering, design and planning, grant writing		
CLLC	191 study and BSRAD grant	Research, grant writing		
NGOS		Research, data		
GALLATIN CO		Grant writing, Public engagement		
MT FW&P		Research, Data, Public engagement		

- 5) Funding Strategy: 20 minutes  
 Planning funds – BSRAD grant, WTI contracts, MDT Transportation Partnership  
 Implementation funds - [IJA-Wildlife-Infrastructure-Funding-Guide\\_FINAL.pdf \(arc-solutions.org\)](#)  
 Capacity for grant writing  
 Capacity for match
- 6) Actions and Timeline – if necessary / TBD: 15 minutes
- 7) On-going communication and coordination: 10 minutes  
 Can the potential BSRAD grant support communication and coordination?  
 Do we need to establish a regular check in? Every 4, 8, or 12 weeks? Who can organize?
- 8) Adjourn 3:00pm