

Introducing



Documents the positive economic impacts DNRC makes in Montana



Department Organization

- Director's Office
- Conservation and Resource Development
- Forestry
- Trust Lands Management
- Water Resources

Boards and Commissions

- Board of Land Commissioners*
- Board of Oil and Gas Conservation*
- Board of Water Well Drillers*
- Drought and Water Supply Committee
- Flathead Basin Commission*
- Montana Grass Conservation Commission*
- Rangeland Resources Executive Committee
- Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission*
- Resource Conservation Advisory Council

* Attached for administrative purposes

Montana Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation

- DNRC employs more than 565 full time staff
- We employ as many as 800 seasonal firefighters each summer
- Our employees work in more than 22 counties
- DNRC offices are located in 27 communities
- Each year \$40-50 million paid in salaries

Profiles the people, communities and businesses we serve



DNRC supports private sector innovation and job creation

In Western Montana, FY13 grants enabled two new wood products businesses to meet payroll and expand



In Eastern Montana, a \$863,000 grant is funding a 5-year feasibility study of enhanced oil recovery methods by MT Tech



\$2.25

BILLION

Value of Montana's
oil production
in 2012



20 DNRC-owned water storage projects are economic drivers



Tongue River Reservoir

- 40,000 acre-feet contracted for irrigation
- Agriculture in valley produces \$22 million / yr
- Irrigated crops 40% of total income
- Irrigated land just 1/6 total acreage



20 water projects delivered 311,000 acre-feet of contract water for irrigation in 2013. That's enough water to irrigate 194 square miles

Reservoirs and Recreation

In 2012, seven DNRC reservoirs combined to generate \$6M in angler-related spending.



Cooney Reservoir

Maintenance and Rehabilitation



Since 1995, contracts for repairs and upgrades to DNRC water projects have totaled more than \$70M, creating thousands of jobs for Montana construction and engineering firms.

Ruby Dam rehabilitation. Scheduled for completion May 2014. Project cost: \$13.5M. Work by Johnson-Wilson Construction, Helena

Wildfire suppression economics



Cost to
suppress
a 10-acre
wildfire

\$4,500

Cost to
suppress
a 5,000-
acre
wildfire

\$2.3M

DNRC Initial Attack 2013

- 293 of 298 wildfires suppressed before they reached 10 acres in size
- Potential costs averted: Loss of homes, property, businesses, infrastructure, crops



State Trust Lands

2013 revenues

Agriculture
& Grazing



\$30M

Timber



\$11M

Minerals

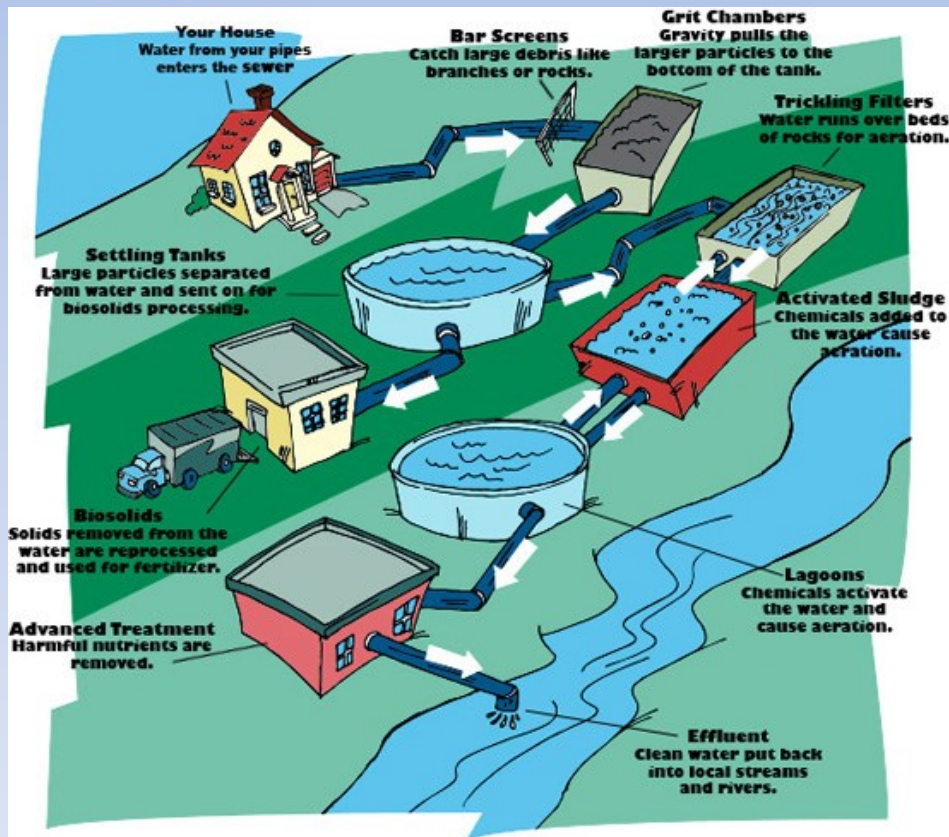


\$40M

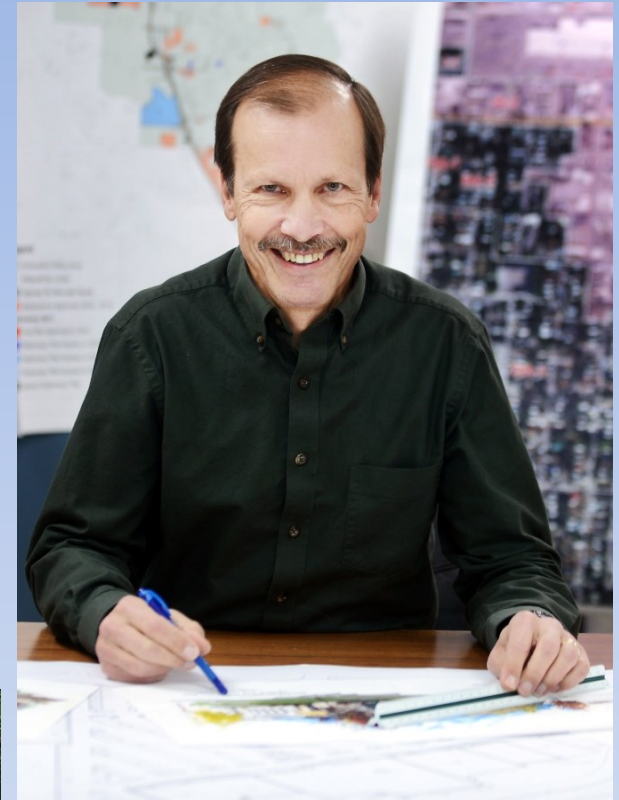
Nearly \$122 million was generated from all state
lands
\$56 million was generated in 2013 in base aid for K-12
education.



State Revolving Fund loan programs



“Economic development is very time-sensitive ... They want it now, and if you don't have it, they won't come again.”



Tom Jentz, Planner,
City of Kalispell,
on the importance of
having sufficient sewer
& water capacity

Pulling It All Together

Section 36 Kalispell

- Commercial Development since 1997 has generated 17.2 million to the Trust
- The Development would not be possible if it were not for the SRF financing of the wastewater infrastructure improvements.
- DNRC constructed new office space for its employees located next to a state of the art dispatch center for fire.



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