# Stillwater Conservation District

Po Box 48 * 334 North 9th Street Columbus MT 59019

## November 3, 2026-Agenda

**Time: 6pm** **Location:** USDA Service Center Conference Room (334 N. 9th Street, Columbus, MT)

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**Meeting called to order by _____ at _____.** Please state your name for the recording

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure**

Board members with any actual, potential, or apparent conflict of interest related to an agenda item should disclose it at this time.

**Supervisors:** Robert Van Oosten *(Chairman)*, Noel Keogh *(Vice Chairman)*, Butch Behrent *(Treasurer)*, Steve Story *(Secretary)*, Lynda Grande *(Supervisor) and* Darryl Thompson *(Associate Member)*

**Supervisors Approved Absent:** 2 vacant seats

**Others Invited:** Sharon Flemetis *(District Admin)*, Garrett Larson *(NRCS)*, Bryan Giordano *(FWP)*, Colton Shimer *(USACE)*, Cindy Grover, *(Stillwater Floodplain)*

***Public Comment*** * 3 Minute Limit * The Public will conduct themselves in a professional manner or be asked to leave. *

### REPORTS

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| Bob Van Oosten- | Steve Story- | Garrett Larson- |
| Butch Behrent- | Lynda Grande- | Sharon Flemetis- |
| Noel Keogh- | Darryl Thompson- | |

### UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Minutes of the previous meeting September 1, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

Minutes of the previous meeting October 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports & Monthly Warrants

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

### NEW BUSINESS

District Insurance Renewal

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

### OLD BUSINESS

Local Working Group Meeting - *carried from 10/13*

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

2026 MACD Resolutions – direction for December MACD Convention *carried from 10/13*

Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

2026-2027 Annual Work Plan AMENDED *carried from 10/13*
Motion: Seconded: Discussion: Vote:

Grant Opportunities - FY27 UCF EPA Community Forestry Initiative (UFI) *Status Update*

## GRANTS

USFS Agreement #23-GN-11011100-040 *Status Update*

## 310 APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS

| APPL. # | Name | Stream | Project | Received/ Inspection | Decision |
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| #26-025VCA Revised | Judi & Lincoln Powers | East Rosebud Creek | Corrective action for Violation #25-006CV – remove unpermitted 12 berms along approximately 1,600 ft of side channel, allow the channel to return toward original conditions. | | Motion: Second: Discussion: Vote: |
| #26-026VCA Revised | Judi & Lincoln Powers | East Rosebud Creek | Corrective action for Violation #25-014CV – remove unpermitted fill/berm south of the bridge and allow the channel to return toward original conditions. | | Motion: Second: Discussion: Vote: |
| #26-027VCA | Stillwater Golf & Recreation / Town of Columbus/Stillwater Excavating, Contractor | Yellowstone River | Current: Violation Status 10/13/26-Violation #26-023CV | 10/27/26 | Motion: Second: Discussion: Vote: |
| #26-028VCA | Merrill Ditch Company Columbus Water Users Association Stillwater Excavating, Contractor | Yellowstone River | Current: Violation Status 10/13/26-Violation #26-024CV | 10/28/26 | Motion: Second: Discussion: Vote: |

## COMPLAINTS/VIOLATIONS

#23- 052V & 23-065V -Krone- Court Case-Pending
#25-006CV – Lincoln Ponds on E. Rosebud creek side channel corrective application 26-025VCA above.
#25-014CV – Lincoln Powers-berm-closing off a side channel corrective application 26-026VCA above.
#26-023CV – Stillwater Golf & Recreation / Town of Columbus/Stillwater Excavating Co. corrective application 26-027VCA
#26-024CV- Merrill Ditch Company Columbus Water Users Association Stillwater Excavating, Contractor corrective application 26-028VCA

## SAVE THE DATE

Nov. 3, 2026 Board Meeting
Dec. 1, 2026 Board Meeting
Jan. 5, 2027 Board Meeting

Nov. 11, 2026 – Holiday
Nov. 26, 2026 – Holiday
Dec. 25, 2026 – Holiday

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING:_____SECONDED:_____MEETING ADJOURNED AT:____pm

*310 Applications must be received by 12pm seven days prior to the meeting or otherwise approved to come in late and have been inspected to be reviewed. Agenda items must be submitted to the CD Office by Noon the Monday before the scheduled meeting. Agendas are available at the CD Office upon request and at stillwatercd.org once finalized. All meetings of the CD are open to the public. Once approved the minutes will be available at stillwatercd.org and the County Clerk and Recorders Office.*
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