



Madison River Watershed TMDL Project: Stakeholder Meeting
Wednesday, September 14, 2016
Time: 1:30 p.m.

El Western Conference Center
4787 US Hwy 287 N, Ennis
(Google Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/y8BcAEWnoox>)

Meeting Agenda

1:30 Introductions

Project staff introductions, an explanation of the role of stakeholders, the watershed advisory group, and meeting purpose

1:35 Project Overview

A brief description of the project goals and project location; an overview of Montana's process for assessing the health of our rivers and streams, subsequent steps to improve water quality, and where we are in this process for the Madison River watershed; as well as a summary of the water quality of the Madison River and its tributaries

1:45 Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Development Process

Definition and explanation of a TMDL, the overall TMDL development process, and application of this process toward TMDL development in the Madison River watershed

2:00 Madison TMDL Project Overview Q&A

Brief question and answer session to help ensure an understanding of the project's purpose and the TMDL process before discussing project details

2:10 Nutrient, Pathogen, Metal, Sediment, and Temperature Pollutants

Sampling locations and sampling methods for determining sources of nutrients, pathogens, metals, sediment, and stream temperature increases to streams in the Madison River watershed; a summary of the major sources of these pollutants in the watershed; as well as a brief explanation of how TMDLs will be developed for each of these pollutant categories

2:45 Watershed Restoration Planning

A short talk on watershed restoration planning, potential funding for projects, and resources to help with this process

2:55 Next Steps & Meeting Wrap-Up

Outline of the remaining steps toward completion of a TMDL document, including the public comment process

3:00 Questions & Discussion