

## **Ravalli County Commissioners Office**

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**From:** Rose, Sharon <shrose@mt.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2015 3:57 PM  
**To:** Rose, Sharon  
**Cc:** Rose, Sharon  
**Subject:** RE: Threemile WMA Forest Habitat Restoration--Decision issued

**Importance:** High

Please note the change below: This proposal will be presented for decision at the F&W Commission meeting on April 15<sup>th</sup> (a Wednesday) in Billings.

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**From:** Rose, Sharon  
**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2015 3:09 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: Threemile WMA Forest Habitat Restoration--Decision issued

Region 2 FWP recently issued an environmental assessment (EA) for its proposal to thin up to 400 acres of forest on its Threemile Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Ravalli County. The project's purpose is to improve wildlife habitat, and FWP anticipates that important ungulate winter range condition would improve due to increased grass and woody browse understory recruitment following the project. Region 2 FWP has issued a Decision Notice (DN) for this EA, in which we approve the proposal and accept the Draft EA as final. The Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission has the final decision-making authority for this proposed timber action, and we will ask the Commission to render its decision on this proposal at its ~~May 14<sup>th</sup>~~ April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting in ~~Helena~~ Billings.

The direct link to this DN is:

[http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/environmentalAssessments/restorationAndRehab/pn\\_0131.html](http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/environmentalAssessments/restorationAndRehab/pn_0131.html)

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**From:** Rose, Sharon  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 10, 2015 3:49 PM  
**To:** Rose, Sharon  
**Cc:** Rose, Sharon  
**Subject:** Threemile WMA Forest Habitat Restoration--Draft EA

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) seeks public review of its proposal to conduct forested habitat improvement treatments on approximately 400 acres within the Threemile Wildlife Management (WMA) northeast of Stevensville in Ravalli County. The purpose is to restore and improve ungulate winter range and reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire to the WMA and adjacent forested ownerships.

The EA may be obtained by mail from Region 2 FWP, 3201 Spurgin Rd., Missoula 59804; by phoning 406-542-5540; by emailing [shrose@mt.gov](mailto:shrose@mt.gov); or by viewing FWP's Internet website <http://fwp.mt.gov> ("Public Notices"). Comments may be made on FWP's website or may be directed to Sharon Rose at the mail, phone or email addresses above.

The direct web link to this information on FWP's website is:

[http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/environmentalAssessments/restorationAndRehab/pn\\_0130.html](http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/environmentalAssessments/restorationAndRehab/pn_0130.html)

Comments must be received by FWP no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 10, 2015.

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