

**STATE OF MONTANA**  
**ARPA ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND STABILIZATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**  
**ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**Notice of Public Meeting**

**Location: Capital Building Room 303 or via [ZOOM](#)**

**AGENDA\***

**Wednesday, March 16, 2022**

**1:00 p.m.**

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| <b>1. OPEN MEETING 1:00-1:05 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Call to Order and Notice of Audio/Video Recording</li><li>b. Roll Call</li><li>c. Notice of Minutes</li></ul>   | <b>Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair</b>                    |
| <b>2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 1:05-1:10 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Expense Forms</li><li>b. Other – Transparency Website</li></ul>   | <b>Scott Mendenhall, ARPA<br/>Program Director</b> |
| <b>3. MONTANA BOARD OF INVESTMENTS UPDATE 1:10-1:20 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Down Payment Assistance Program</li></ul>  | <b>Dan Villa, Board of Investments</b>             |
| <b>4. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR &amp; INDUSTRY UPDATE 1:20-1:40 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Return to Work Bonus – Final Report Found: <a href="#">HERE</a></li><li>b. Rapid Retraining</li><li>c. Accelerate MT</li><li>d. Montana Health Care Workforce Recruitment Initiative</li></ul> | <b>Scott Eychner, Dept of Labor</b>                |
| <b>5. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE UPDATE 1:40-2:10 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Affordable Housing Gap Financing</li><li>b. Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)</li><li>c. Home ARP</li><li>d. Montana Homeowners Assistance Fund</li></ul>  | <b>Cheryl Cohen, Dept Commerce</b>                 |
| <b>6. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 2:10-2:25 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>Workforce Training Grants</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Commission Questions</li><li>ii. Public Comment</li><li>iii. Commission Discussion</li><li>iv. Commission Action</li></ul></li></ul>     | <b>Liane Taylor, Dept of Commerce</b>              |

**MEETING BREAK 2:25-2:35 p.m.**

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| <b>7. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE 2:35-3:10 p.m.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>APRA AG Infrastructure Program.</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Commission Questions</li><li>ii. Public Comment</li><li>iii. Commission Discussion</li><li>iv. Commission Action</li></ul></li></ul> | <b>Zach Coccoli, Dept of AG.</b> |
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- b. Port Authorities (HB 681)**
  - i. Commission Questions
  - ii. Public Comment
  - iii. Commission Discussion
  - iv. Commission Action

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT 3:10 p.m.**

**Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**

**9. OTHER 3:30 p.m.**

**Scott Mendenhall, ARPA  
Program Director**

- a. Deadlines
- b. Future Meeting Dates

**10. ADJOURN 3:30 p.m.**

**Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**

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