



The Western
Environmental
Trade Association

Providing 21st Century Representation
for Farmers, Ranchers, Labor, Business,
Industry, Recreationists and
Trade Associations in Montana



WETA Membership Services:

- Coordinates environmental legislative and regulatory activities
- Board of Directors represents a broad spectrum of Montana people and geographic areas
- Prepares and distributes reports and Action Alerts during the Legislative Session and the interim to keep members informed and involved
- Provides year-round monitoring of activities of government agencies and legislative committees
- Participates in state-wide activities and issues on behalf of members
- Provides valuable environmental news and insights to members, and helps friends, the media, and all concerned Montanans be informed on broad issues concerning economic and community development and environmental responsibility

The Western Education Foundation for Resources A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization of WETA, conducts and provides environmental research and education programs to members, legislators, government agencies, private individuals and organizations, and to the media.



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MISSION:

Establish and maintain coalitions to promote conservation-minded economic development

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A Collaborative
Resource for Montana
Agriculture, Labor,
Business, Industry,
Recreationists &
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Promoting
Environmentally
Responsible
Economic Development
& Employment
Opportunities

in
Montana
Since
1976





The Western Environmental Trade Association

REPRESENTING
MONTANANS
SINCE 1976

Building &
Construction Industry

Business

Coal, Oil & Natural
Gas Energy Producers

Farmers

Manufacturing

Mining

Realty

Recreationists

Stockgrowers

Telecommunications

Trade Associations

Union Workers

Utilities

Wood Products

- Unites broad interests to promote economic opportunity and employment
- Promotes environmentally responsible economic growth
- Advocates for the protection of individual rights in shaping statutes and regulations to ensure a healthy economic climate for successful businesses and family-wage jobs
- Provides leadership to unify business, industries and labor on important legislative issues and concerns, administrative rules and matters of public policy
- Supports environmentally responsible proposals for new or expanded operations with good family-wage jobs
- Organizes networks of people around important environmental and economic issues including:
 - Clean air and water
 - Endangered species
 - Multiple use of public lands
 - Property rights
- Supports appropriate planning to attract capital investment in order to sustain our communities and good family-wage jobs
- Believes scientific methodology forms the basis for environmental statutes and regulations
- Champions reasonable and fair regulatory policies for economic and community development
- Helps create a climate that encourages businesses to expand their operations and invites others to relocate from localities out of state or region
- Advocates for the involvement of groups, organizations and individuals in federal and state legislative and administrative proceedings concerning environmental issues
- Works to preserve basic industries while promoting high-wage/high-technology business formation and family-wage job creation