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FWP to Hold Public Meeting on Proposed Developments at Harper's Bridge FAS

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss proposed site developments at Harper's Bridge Fishing Access Site (FAS) on the Clark Fork River near Missoula. The meeting will be held at the Missoula Doubletree Hotel, 100 Madison Street.

The proposal, which was out for public comment this summer, calls for adding signage, boundary fencing and barrier rock, an access road into the property, a designated parking area for 24-36 vehicles and boat trailers, a concrete vault latrine and concrete boat launch.

During the 30-day public comment period that ended July 19, FWP received considerable interest in the topic and a number of requests for a public meeting to discuss the proposal in more detail before FWP makes a final decision. The upcoming Oct. 5 meeting is a response to these requests.

The proposed site improvements were designed to provide for safer, more organized public use of the site and provide long-term protection and revegetation of the riverbank. Currently the FAS has no developments and there is no parking available on the FWP property.

The draft environmental assessment (EA), which includes the proposed site design, is still available for review on the FWP website, fwp.mt.gov, under "Recent Public Notices." Click on June 2010 in the archives search. Or, contact the FWP Region 2 office at 3201 Spurgin Road in Missoula or call 406-542-5500.

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