

For Distribution Dec. 4

Economic Affairs Interim Committee

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AGENCY MONITORING (SAMPLE ACTIVITIES)

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL DIVISION

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
Dec. 5 – Rule hearing on Competitive Bidding for Retail All-Beverage Licenses	Oct. 18 – Competitive bidding deadline for all-beverage floater licenses in Bozeman, Missoula, plus additional licenses.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dec. 4 – State Hail Board meets, Great FallsJan. 6, 2020 – Noxious Weed Trust Fund grants.Feb. 19 – Noxious Weed Seed Free Forage Advisory Council meets, HelenaMarch 1 – Proposals due for Pulse Crop Marketing or Educational Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nov. 13 – Vertebrate Pest TrainingNov. 15 – Pulse Crop CommitteeDec. 2-3 – Montana Wheat and Barley CommitteeDec. 3 – Meeting in Great Falls on request by oilseed growers to form an advisory council.

STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dec. 11 – Worker's Compensation Classification & Review CommitteeDec. 18 – Insurance Continuing Education Advisory Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Oct. 16 – Insurance Continuing Education Advisory Council meeting (Helena)Oct. 3 - Meetings in Billings to discuss hail damageOctober meetings – Havre, Glasgow, Glendive, and Billings regarding financial literacy.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dec. 18 – Big Sky Trust Fund Job Creation/Planning Grant deadlineFeb. 11-12 – Board of InvestmentsApril 2020 – Letters on coal impactsApril 26-28 – Governor's Conference on Tourism & Recreation - BillingsJune 15-17, 2020 – MT Housing Partnership (Helena)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nov. 6, 2019 – Hearing, Board of Horseracing Financial Report:Nov. 19-20 – Board of InvestmentsDec. 12 – MT Coal Board meeting, Billings

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan. 1, 2020 Montana's taxable wage base for unemployment insurance in 2020 will be \$34,100, up from \$33,000 in 2019. Jan. 1, 2020 Minimum wage goes up to \$8.65 an hour from the current \$8.50/hr. 	<p>Nov. 8 – Public Hearing on proposed 2020 prevailing wage rates.</p> <p>Nov. 30 – State Workforce Innovation Board meets in Helena</p>

DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dec. 4 – (Revised) Board of Livestock meeting, Scott Hart Building, Helena Dec. 13 – Board of Milk Control meeting, Helena Jan. 17 – Co-Located Labs Advisory Committee meeting, Capitol, 10 a.m. 	<p>Oct. 8 - Board of Livestock meeting, Park City High School. Agenda focused on new livestock market and public comments.</p> <p>Oct. 22 - Board of Livestock meeting, Scott Hart Building, Helena.</p>

Montana State Fund

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dec. 13 - Board Meeting (2020 budget) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sept. 13 meeting – Dividend distribution set at \$30 million for eligible policyholders from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. NEW: State agency net dividends were \$1,048,208 on \$10,139,294 in premiums for FY2017 (look-back period). Eight agencies received no dividends because of high losses.

BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual License Renewal from Nov. 1 to Dec. 31 through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May 2019 – Released data on renewals for Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System for nondepository institutions..

Governor's Office of Economic Development

Upcoming Activities	Previous Activities
Nothing posted online	2019 Report on MT Economic Development and October 2019 Update