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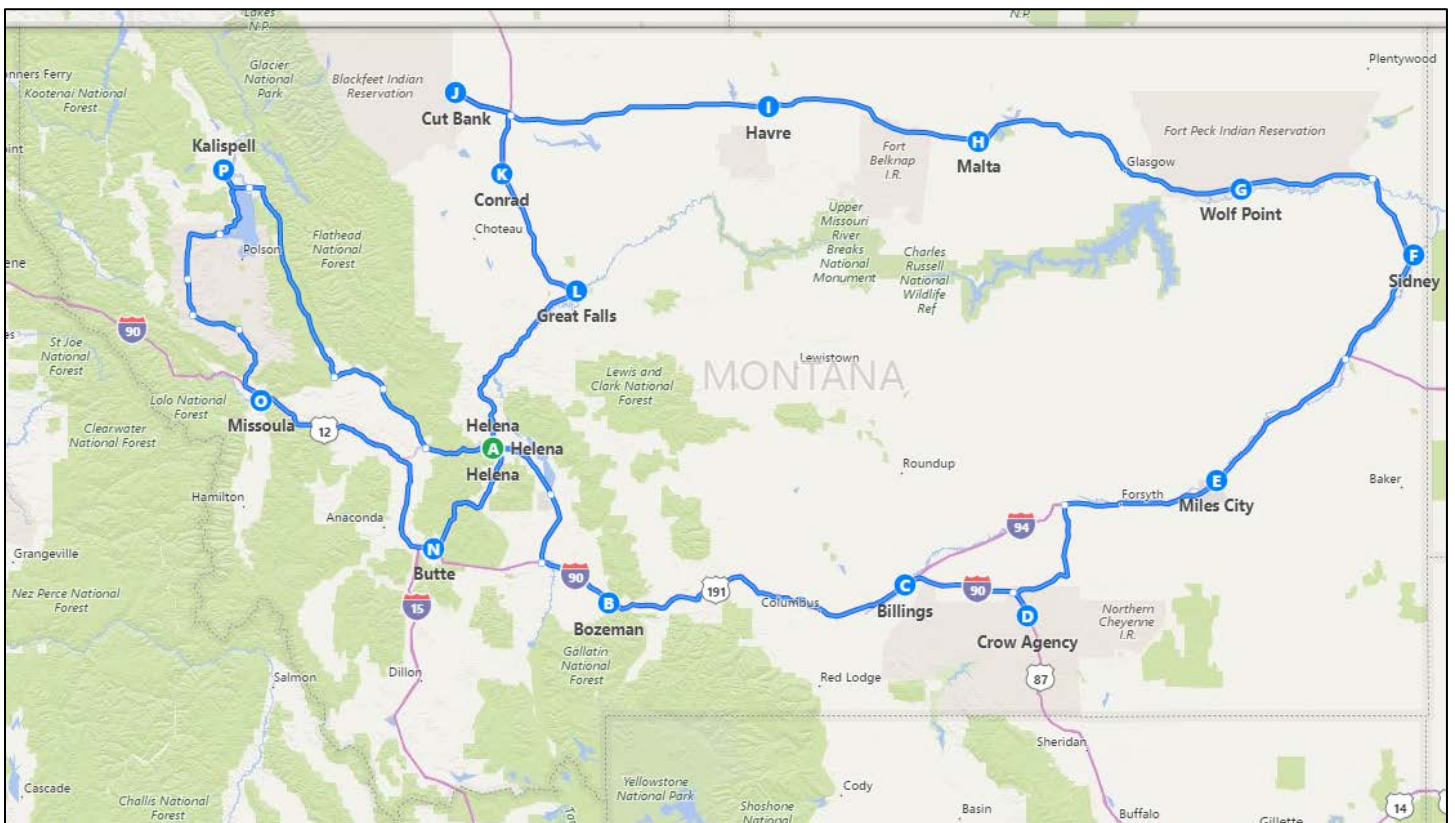
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TO: Legislative Finance Committee
FROM: Amy Carlson, Quinn Holzer, Stephanie Morrison
RE: LFD Roadshow 2018

Selected Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD) staff toured around Montana this summer to meet with legislators in their local areas. Over the course of two trips—a 5-day eastern loop and a 2-day western loop—plus an offsite meeting for Helena-area legislators, staff highlighted the state's [current fiscal status](#) and [the budget outlook for the 2021 biennium](#) in informal, roundtable discussions. The map below shows the location of the meetings.



The informal setting allowed for many questions and deeper discussion on various topics. In addition, legislative candidates were often invited by local legislators and were able to get their first look at Montana's fiscal condition.

In summary, LFD staff traveled 1,735 miles and met with 86 legislators and legislative candidates at a combined 18 meetings in 15 towns around the state. Other attendance highlights include:

- 58 legislators; 28 candidates
- 43 democrats; 43 republicans
- 53 men; 33 women