

**Water Commissioner Training
Montana Wild Auditorium
2668 Broadwater Ave.
Helena, Montana**

**April 7-8, 2016
Course Agenda**

Thursday April 7, 2016

- 8:30 Course Overview, Objectives, Introductions
Commissioner Duties and Responsibilities
Mike Roberts, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
(DNRC), Helena
- 9:10 Local Records, Information Assistance, Useful Tools
Mike Roberts, DNRC Helena
- 9:30 Break
- 9:45 Montana Water Court (Judge Ritter or Water Master)
1) Nature of Existing Rights under Montana General Stream
Adjudication
2) Status of Adjudication, Decree Enforcement
3) Water Court vs. District Court Decrees
- 10:30 Water Mediation
Martin Balukas, DNRC Helena
- 10:45 Water Rights, New Appropriations, New Legislation, Instream Flow Leases
and Reservations
Jim Ferch, DNRC Helena
Mike McLane, FWP Helena
- 11:45 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 Water Measurement
Mike Roberts and Matt Norberg (DNRC)
1) Overview of Water Measurement (purpose, manuals)
2) Measuring Devices (gages, flumes, weirs, model demonstration)
3) Example Problems (water distribution, unit conversions, etc.)
4) Model Demonstration
- 5:00 End of Day 1

Friday April 8, 2016

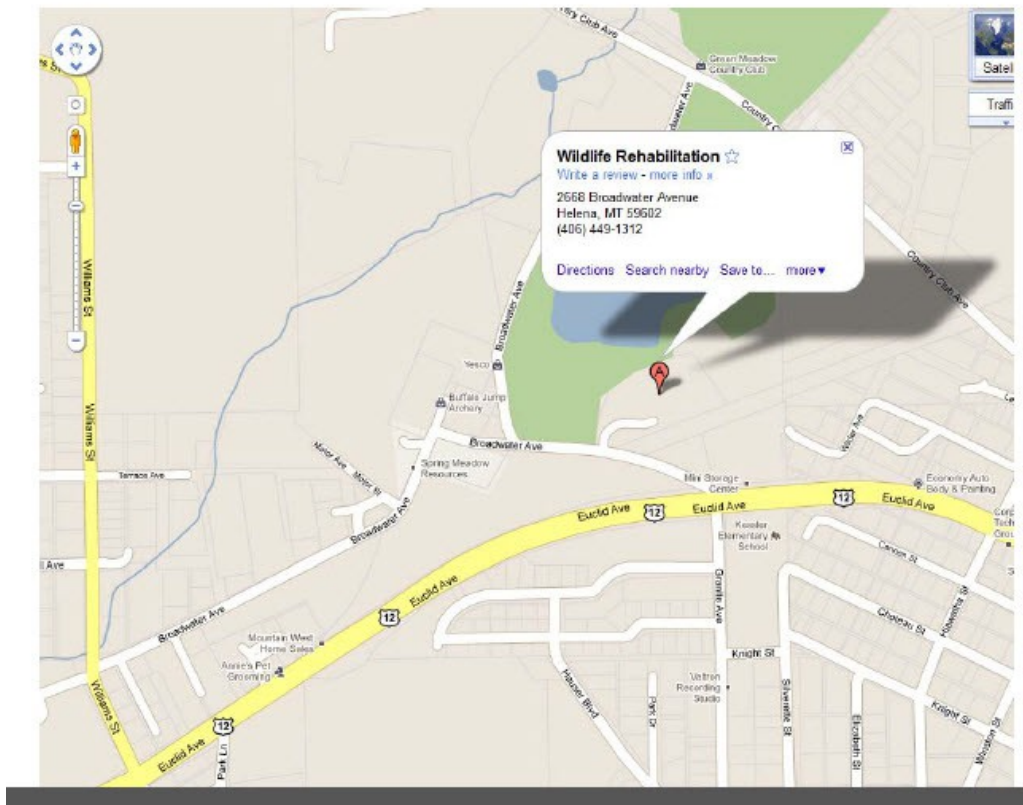
8:00 Demonstration of Measuring Devices and Field Exercise, Helena Regulating Reservoir
John Conners, Jim Beck, Matt Norberg, Mike Roberts (all DNRC and retired DNRC)

12:00 End of Course

All participants should bring a hand held calculator, writing instrument, and a notebook.

For more information or to register for this free course, please call Mike Roberts at (406) 444-6641 or email miroberts@mt.gov

Montana Wild is located on the west end of Helena. Take Euclid Ave (Highway 12) west as if you are leaving town and turn north just west of the Mini Storage Center on Broadwater Avenue as the highway starts to bend to the southwest.



Lodging: Most of the motels and hotels are either downtown or on the east side of Helena. For a listing and description of places to stay, go to: <http://www.yellowpages.com/helena-mt/motels>