

February 10 & 11, 2010 - Billings Hotel and Convention Center

**Ideas & Challenges;  
Partnerships & Successes in  
Conservation Education**



**Proposed Program**

**Feb 9: MT SWCS Board Meeting (evening)**

- Board Members and Committee Chairs

**Feb 10: Professional Development**

- **9:00am** Welcome and Introductions—Kit Sutherland, MT SWCS President
- **9:15am** Introduction to Ecosystem Services and Water Quality Markets—Shaun McKinney, NRCS National Tech Center, Portland Oregon
- **10:15am** BREAK
- **10:30am** Conservation Education Talks (3, 30 Minute Presentations)
  - UM Forestry and NR Youth Camp: Alicia Vanderheiden
  - Small Acreage Land Stewardship: Dan Durham
  - DNRC Restoration Education: Kevin McNellis
- **12:00pm** LUNCH with speaker, Joyce Schwartzendruber, NRCS, MT State Conservationist
- **1:15pm** Conservation and Outreach on the TRM Ranch (Boone and Crockett Club) - Dr. Lisa Flowers
- **2:00pm** Youth Education Through CDs and Envirothon Teams - Invited Guests
- **2:45pm** BREAK, Preview Auction Items, Posters and Booths open for Viewing
- **3:15pm** Conservation Education Talks (3, 30 Minute Presentations)
  - Low Impact Development: Debra Zarnt Earl
  - Audubon Conservation Education Center: Heather Ristow
  - Public Education on Invasive Species: Eric Hanson
- **4:45pm** Conclusion and Invitation to Social & Silent Auction
- **5:00pm** Social, Silent Auction, Posters and Booths open for Viewing

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#### Feb 11: Professional Development

- **8:00am** BREAKFAST with MT SWCS Member Meeting and Address, Kit Sutherland, MT SWCS President
- **8:30am** Cover Crop Tour Review with Photos—Ann Fischer, NRCS Baker Montana
- **9:00am** Carbon Sequestration & Markets—John Talbot & Ted Dodge, Big Sky Carbon Sequestration Partnership & National Carbon Offset Coalition (respectively)
- **10:15am** COFFEE BREAK
- **10:30am** SWCS Call to Service –Kit Sutherland and Mary Miller, MT SWCS and CO SWCS (Regional Representative) Respectively
- **11:00am** MT State Library and NRCS Mapping Tools—Catherine Maynard, NRCS and MT State Library
- **12:00pm** Conclusion

**Thank you for your participation and travel safe!**