

*Montana PSC – One Week Calendar of Scheduled Events  
(This is not an official schedule of PSC activities)*

**February 14 - February 18 2022**

<b>MONDAY 14</b>	<b>NARUC 2022 Winter Policy Summit</b>
<b>TUESDAY 15</b>	<b>No Business Meeting NARUC 2022 Winter Policy Summit</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 16</b>	<b>NARUC 2022 Winter Policy Summit</b>
<b>THURSDAY 17</b>	
<b>FRIDAY 18</b>	

**\*Next Commission Business Meeting Tuesday, February 22, 2022 (time change to 1:30 p.m.)**

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**AGENDA NO. 2022-02-14**

Date Published: 2022-02-11

For Week Commencing: 2022-02-14

**Place of Meetings:**

All meetings are held at the Commission's office, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

**Commission Meetings:**

No Scheduling, Business - Informational Only

There will be no Action or Work Session items.

**Action Items**

All items identified below are for action at the Commission's Business Meeting this week:

None

**Work Sessions**

All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action at the Commission's Business Meeting this week:

None

**Other Meetings**

1. 02/12/22 – 02/16/22 – NARUC Winter Policy Summit

**Notice Items:** All items identified below are noticed for public involvement purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the Notice, the items will be action items on a subsequent Agenda. Public Comments on this Agenda's items need to be submitted within 5 calendar days following publication of this Agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter must be submitted within the required deadline provided in the Notice. Please refer to the "Public Involvement" item in this Agenda for options and assistance.

1. 3 Rivers Telephone and Teleport Communications America 2021.05.066 (Mike)

3 Rivers Telephone and Teleport Communications America have filed for approval with the Montana Public Service Commission (“Commission”) an Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”). The Agreement was voluntarily negotiated by both parties. The Agreement is available for viewing on the Commission website or at the Commission office in Helena. Interested persons may submit comments to the Commission no later than March 15, 2022, through the Commission website or mail comments to the Commission at 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana 59620-2601. Any comments that are submitted through mail must clearly identify the docket number in question.

**Transportation Notice Items:** Motor carriers with proper standing may protest Applications. Protests related to an Application for Class A, B, and E passenger authority is limited to a protest of the motor carrier’s ability to meet the requirements of Mont. Code Ann. §§ 69-12-323(5) and 69-12-415. Protests must include the proper fee, as required by Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.402(c), and conform to the requirements at Mont. Admin. R. 38.3.405 or 38.3.406 as applicable. A protest form is available on the Commission’s website <http://psc.mt.gov/For-Regulated-Utilities/Compliance-Materials#undefined>. If no written protests are received by the deadline, the Commission may issue a final decision on the Application (including a decision by delegation of authority to Commission staff pursuant to established internal operating procedures) without a public hearing, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 69-12-321.

None

**Protective Orders – Notice Items:** The Commission has received the following requests for Protective Order(s) pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission’s website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

1. Caithness Beaver Creek, LLC 2021.12.134 (Lucas)

On January 27, 2022, Caithness Beaver Creek, LLC (“CBC”) filed a Motion for a Protective Order in advance of its response to data request NWE-011(a). CBC seeks to protect from public disclosure its Turbine Supply Agreement (“Agreement”). CBC asserts that the Agreement is confidential, proprietary, and trade secret information under Mont. Code Ann. § 30-14-402(4). CBC further asserts that public disclosure of the Agreement could result in litigation and/or damages against CBC due to a material breach of the Agreement’s confidentiality provisions. CBC requests an order of the Commission protecting the information from public disclosure, pursuant to Mont. Admin. R. 38.2.5001 et seq., prior to producing the information.

**Protective Orders – Information Items:** The Commission has issued the following Protective Order(s). These Order(s) may be challenged pursuant to Mont. Admin. R.

38.2.5008. Copies of the Order(s) may be viewed on the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

None

**Information Items:** All items identified below are for *information only*.  
Information Items:

**New Regulatory Filings Received in Past Week:**

1. 22022.02.016 - 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.- Interconnection Agreement between 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative and Teleport Communications America, LLC
2. 2022.02.017 - Public Service Commission - Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Repeal of ARM 38.5.8301 and 38.5.8302

**New Transportation Filings Received in Past Week:**

None

**General Information:** This is the Commission's Agenda for the week designated above. The Agenda is posted a week in advance on the public information bulletin board at the Commission's office, is emailed to all persons who have requested notice by email and is posted on the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>.

**Public Involvement:** The Commission invites the public's involvement in its proceedings. Options are:

- (1) provide written comments at the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>, select "Documents & Proceedings" Tab; select "Comment on a Proceeding", select "Continue as Guest", complete form, select "Submit";
- (2) get on the Commission's "Watch List" for a Docket at the Commission's website <http://psc.mt.gov>, select "EDDI" icon on the main page, create an account for "ePass", under "Watch List" Tab enter the Docket number—the Commission's case you are interested in following;
- (3) watch the meeting's "Live Webcast" from your computer at <http://psc.mt.gov/livestream>;
- (4) attend a Commission meeting in person and provide comments;
- (5) attend a Commission meeting via Zoom to provide public comment:
  - a. Please call the Commission's toll-free number at 1-800-646-6150 by 4:30 p.m. on the day before the scheduled Business Meeting.

- b. You will need to provide your name; the docket number or a description of the docket on which you wish to provide comment; your phone number; and your email address.
- c. You will be given an identifier, such as “Commenter 1, 2, etc.” This identifier will be how you are recognized to provide public comment during the business meeting.
- d. Once you have provided public comment at the business meeting, you will no longer be able to provide public comment. You may stay in the meeting, or you may leave the meeting and continue to listen in on the Commission’s live stream.
- e. You may also provide written comments as outlined in paragraph (1) under “Public Involvement.” These comments are not made publicly available but are provided to the docket work team and Commissioners.

(6) sign up on the Commission’s “Email List” to receive Notices by email for the following categories: Rules, Motor Carrier, Energy West Applications, MCC & PSC Taxes, MDU Applications, NorthWestern Energy Applications, PSC Orders, Telecommunications Applications, PSC Agendas, and PSC Hearings.

(7) mail or deliver written comments to the Commission’s office, 1701 Prospect Ave., P.O. Box 202601, Helena, MT 59620-2601;

(8) contact your District’s Commissioner; and

(9) contact the Commission’s Consumer Assistance staff at 1-800-646-6150 or email [pschelp@mt.gov](mailto:pschelp@mt.gov). They are happy to assist you!

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**Inquiries:** For general inquiries concerning this Agenda, contact Patricia Trooien at (406) 444-6199 or the Commission’s Consumer Assistance Staff at 1-800-646-6150.

**Accommodations for Individuals:** Individuals needing accommodations to attend or participate at a Commission meeting or hearing may contact the Commission’s Consumer Assistance Staff at 1-800-646-6150 or by email [pschelp@mt.gov](mailto:pschelp@mt.gov) prior to the meeting or hearing. The Commission will make every effort to provide assistance.

***\*Qualifies for Staff Action. Upon receipt of a written request by a Commissioner or an interested person submitted within five (5) business days of the date published on this Agenda, the Commission will review this item.***