Foster stewardship of Montana’s water resources by providing education, information, and resources for all water users.

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www.mtwatercourse.org
Montana Watercourse

- **Community and Educator Programs** – Building capacity for two decades.

- **Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring**
- **Know Your Watershed Tours**
- **WET Workshops**
Volunteer Monitoring Program Highlights

**VM Guidebook**

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**Database**

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VM Certification Program

• Pilot Certification Program complete 2009.
  – Volunteer Quality Assurance Project Plan
  – Training materials
Montana Water Center

• Established 1964 – Act of Congress
  – 50 states/4 territories
• Training & Education for Water Professionals
• Outreach to MT Citizens
Montana Water Center Projects

- Student sponsored research
- AWRA Annual Conference
- Montana Water E-Newsletter
- Whirling Disease Initiative
- Wild Fish Habitat Initiative
EPSCoR II, MT Water Center
Scope of Work – Highlights

• Publicize EPSCoR II activities on
  – Website – www.water.montana.edu
  – Newsletter
EPSCoR II, MTWC
Scope of Work - Highlights

• Coordinate with VOEIS partners on E&O priorities
• Promote water quality youth education – VM trainings, service learning projects, resources.
• Solicit Native American youth participation in programs.
• Coordinate logistics of undergrad sensor deployment workshops
• Data collection from youth programs entered into VM Database
EPSCoR II, MTWC
Scope of Work - Highlights

• Coordinate undergraduate program to bring Tribal College students and faculty campus to train in sensor deployment/data systems workshop.

• Coordinate with Kentucky and Montana Partners to implement exchange program.

• Coordinate one week-long exchange program for Montana, scheduled for the summer of 2011.
Thank You

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