



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



12.9.1045 APPROVAL PROCESS FOR TRANSLOCATION PROPOSALS

- (1) The translocation proposal must comply with ARM 12.9.1005, 12.9.1010, 12.9.1015, 12.9.1020, 12.9.1025, 12.9.1030, 12.9.1035, and 12.9.1040 and must undergo public review in accordance with MEPA. The department regional supervisor shall review prairie dog translocation proposals and render a final decision in writing within 30 days of the conclusion of a decision process that complies with MEPA. If a translocation proposal affects more than one region, the regional supervisor of each region affected by the proposal must sign the final decision.
- (2) If a regional supervisor(s) denies a translocation proposal, the written decision must include an explanation of any deficiencies or inconsistencies in the proposal pertaining to the proposal criteria required by ARM 12.9.1005.
- (3) Regional supervisors shall maintain a list of potential sending areas and receiving areas that have been identified by private landowners, land management agencies, tribes, and other interests.
- (4) The Montana prairie dog working group may review areas for prioritization, and inclusion on the list of approved areas as requested by the department.

Authorizing statute(s): 87-1-301, 87-5-105, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 87-1-301, 87-5-105, MCA

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