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Governor Steve Bullock today announced the following appointments.

### **Montana Agriculture Development Council**

- **Greg Jergeson**, Chinook. Qualification: Public representative who was or is actively engaged in agriculture. Jergeson has been a farmer, Public Service Commissioner and State Legislator.
- **Tara Mastel**, Whitehall. Qualification: Public representative who was or is actively engaged in agriculture. Mastel is an Assistant Professor at MSU and an Extension Agent.

### **Capitol Complex Advisory Council**

- **Carol Williams**, Missoula. Qualification: Public member. Williams is a former educator and served as the state's first woman Majority Leader in the Montana Senate.

### **Montana Family Support Services Advisory Council**

- **Kari Hoover**, Shelby. Qualification: Provider of Part C Services. Hoover is a supervisor at Quality Life Concepts.

### **Flathead Basin Commission**

- **Jasmine Courville-Brown**, Ronan. Qualification: Public representative. Courville-Brown is a pesticide specialist for the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes.
- **Kate Hunt**, Kalispell. Qualification: Public representative. Hunt is an artist in Northwest Montana.
- **Charles Potter**, Columbia Falls. Qualification: Public representative. Potter is retired from the National Park Service after spending 41 years in Glacier National Park.

### **Montana Invasive Species Advisory Council**

- **Jim Jacobs**, Bozeman. Qualification: Representative of U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service. Jacobs is a Plant Materials Specialist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

### **Public Employees Retirement System Board**

- **Julie McKenna**, Helena. Qualification: Public employee, active member of public retirement system. McKenna is a Compliance Income Tax Examiner for the Department of Revenue.

- **Pepper Valdez**, Billings. Qualification: Public employee, active member of public retirement system. Valdez is a Captain in the Billings Fire Department and an IRS certified volunteer income tax assistant.
- **Marty Tuttle**, Clancy. Qualification: Public employee, active member of public retirement system, defined contribution plan. Tuttle is the Chief Legal Counsel for the Department of Commerce.

### **Statewide Independent Living Council**

- **Dr. Rosemary Hughes**, Missoula. Qualification: Person with disability not employed by state agency or center for independent living. Hughes is a Senior Research Scientist at the University of Montana Rural Institute and a Research Faculty Member.
- **Katelyn Kovich**, Billings. Qualification: Person with disability not employed by state agency or center for independent living. Kovich is a Family Facilitator for PLUK (Parents Let's Unite for Kids).
- **Mary Olson**, Missoula. Qualification: Person with disability not employed by state agency or center for independent living. Olson is a Research Associate with the Rural Institute on Disability.
- **Karen Underwood**, Laurel. Qualification: At-large member. Underwood is the Special Services Director of Yellowstone West and Carbon County Special Services Cooperative.

### **Board of Veterans' Affairs**

- **Vice Secretary Shawn Backbone**, Crow Agency. Qualification: Tribal government representative. Backbone is the Vice Secretary of the Crow Nation and a veteran of the U.S. Army.
- **David Boyd**, Poplar. Qualification: Tribal member, honorably discharged veteran. Boyd is a retired Staff Sergeant from the U.S. Army, National Guard and Army Reserve, with over 40 years of service.
- **Dick Juvik**, Helena. Qualification: Honorably discharged veteran who serves as a representative of veterans at large. Juvik is a veteran of the U.S. Navy and been very active in heightening awareness for POW/MIAs in the state.
- **Gary Sorensen**, Missoula. Qualification: Training, education or experience related to veterans' issues. Sorensen is a retired Army Officer with 30 years of service.
- **Bill Willing**, Anaconda. Qualification: Training, education or experience related to veterans' issues. Willing is a retired Colonel after serving in the Army, Army Reserve, Army National guard and Air National Guard with close to 40 years of service.

## **Board of Veterinary Medicine**

- **Kim Baker**, Hot Springs. Qualification: Public member who is a consumer of veterinary services, not licensed. Baker is a family rancher, raises Old English Sheepdogs and serves on the Hot Springs School Board.
- **Dr. Jean Lindley**, Miles City. Qualification: Licensed veterinarian. Lindley is the owner operator of East Main Animal Clinic and has been practicing for 33 years.