

WED, SEPT 9, 2026

APA MT & ID FALL CONFERENCE

CM	Time
	7:30 – 8:30 am
#	8:00 am – 12:00 pm
#	9:00 am – 12:00 pm
#	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
	12:00 – 1:00 pm
#	1:00 – 2:00 pm
	2:00 – 2:20 pm
#	2:20 – 3:50 pm
	3:50 – 4:00 pm
#	4:00 – 5:00 pm
	6:00 – 8:00 pm

Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Mobile Tours
Morning Registration				
Accessing Montana’s Elevation Data - LiDAR at Your Fingertips				
	Planning & Zoning Workshop			
		Walk Audit - Part 1		
Lunch Break – <u>On Your Own</u> – Registration Opens – Full Conference				
From Vision to Viability: Using Interactive Development Impact Tools to Shape Downtown Plans	From the Front Lines: The December 2025 Lincoln County Flood Disaster	Exploring the Use of In-person & Virtual Inclusive Interdisciplinary Walk/Move Audits in Engaging People in the Dillon Downtown Master Plan		
Break				
The Urban Land Institute’s Technical Assistance Panel: Case Studies from Montana & Idaho	Room to Roam, Room to Grow: Planning for Wildlife & Communities Together	Small Towns with Big City Problems		
Break				
Ethics Session	Working Lands, Working Communities: Planning for Agricultural Viability in the Mountain West	Moving Plans into Action		
Trivia Night: Lewis and Clark Room on Campus				

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THU, SEPT 10, 2026		APA MT & ID FALL CONFERENCE				
CM	Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3	Room 4	Mobile Tours
	8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration Opens				
#	8:30 – 9:45 am	Welcome & Keynote Speaker: Kelly Pohl, Headwaters				
	9:45 – 9:55 am	Break				
#	9:55 – 10:55 am	Innovation Without Boundaries: Carrying Entrepreneurship Across Sectors	The Changing Landscape of Implementation	Bridging Transportation Safety & Community Health: Collaborative Safe Streets & Roads 4 All (SS4A) Planning with the Chippewa Cree Tribe	Shared History: Local Historic Preservation Planning in Idaho and Montana	
	10:55 – 11:10 am	Snack Break				
#	11:10 am – 12:10 pm	You Next: Practicing Youth Engagement and Youth Leadership in Planning Youth Futures	From the Ski Towns to Rural Outposts: Trends, Typologies, and Emerging Needs in Gateway Communities	Navigating Data Center Development	Turning a Requirement into a Resource: A Workshop on Building Intentional Public Participation Plans	
	12:10 – 1:30 pm	Lunch (Provided): Chapter Business Meetings				
#	1:30 – 2:45 pm	Negotiating Community Benefits: A Hands-on Workshop	Montana CTAP and State-level Assistance in Planning	Micromobility & Mobility Hubs	The Housing “Love Triangle” of Supply, Demand, and Legislation for Middle and Little Communities	
	2:45 – 3:00 pm	Snack Break				
#	3:00 – 4:00 pm	The Planners’ Eras Tour: Navigating Chaos, Growth, and Career Development	Building Above, Monitoring Below: Groundwater and Growth in Montana	From Plans to Action: Implementing Downtown Improvements in Small communities	Building Safer Communities Through Floodplain Management and Mitigation	
	4:00 – 4:15 pm	Break				
#	4:15 – 5:15 pm	Urban Renewal and Fire District Working Group	Across the Divide: How Pressure Sewer Expands Wastewater Options for Mountain West Communities	Practical Road Safety Solutions	Understanding Short-Term Rentals in the Rural West: Trends, Impacts, and Strategies	
	5:30 – 6:30 pm	Vendor Happy Hour				
	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Evening Event Awards: Lewis and Clark Room on Campus				

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FRI, SEPT 11, 2026

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Room 1 Room 2 Room 3 Room 4 Mobile Tours

8:00 – 8:30 am

Registration Opens – Light breakfast items will be served

8:30 – 9:30 am

Keynote Speaker: Community Readiness Plans

9:30 – 9:40 am

Break

9:40 – 10:40 am

How to Prepare a Community Readiness Plan to Manage the Future: An Interactive Workshop

Pro-Housing: Recent Montana and Idaho Legislation Housing Impacts

From Application to Energization & Beyond: Collaborative & Effective Approaches to Reviewing Large Electrical Infrastructure Projects

9:30 am Beaverhead Trails Coalition Hike
Meet at Trailhead (45 min hike)

10:40 – 10:50 am

Break

10:50 – 11:50 am

Connecting Land Use Plans for Resilient Communities

Land Use Law Montana

Land Use Law Idaho

12:00 – 2:00 pm

Lunch (Provided): City and County Roundtables

2:00 – 3:00 pm

More than a House: Planning for Equity in Places Shaped by Extraction, Industry, & Legacy Landscapes

The State Made Me Do It: Planning in the Era of Preemption

Building Energy Economies in Rural Communities

1:30 pm Ghost Town
Details to Come

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