## Rail Service Competition Council (RSCC) Meeting Agenda

March 6, 2019 10:00 am – 2:00 pm MDT Commission Room 2701 Prospect Avenue Helena, MT 59624

#### 10:00 am - 10:15 am

- General Business
  - o Call meeting to order Chairman Jerry Jimison
  - o Introductions of new attendees
  - o Approval of November 2018 RSCC meeting minutes
  - o Financial report Kraig McLeod
  - Update on RSCC statutory authority

#### 10:15 am – 10:45 am

- Montana Essential Freight Rail Loan Program
  - o Introduction Kraig McLeod
  - o Port of Montana application Kathy Fasso
  - Comments from Council members

#### 10:45 am - 11:15 am

- Rail Service Reports
  - Montana Rail Link Ross Lane
  - o BNSF Railway Matt Jones
  - Amtrak (invited)
  - Effect of rail line abandonment in Montana on local shippers
  - Discussion

### 11:15 am – 11:45 am

- Economic Development and Intermodal Shipping
  - o Expansion and new projects proposed
  - Discussion

### 11:45 am – 12:15 pm Lunch Break

#### 12:15 pm - 1:00 pm

- Agricultural Shipping
  - o Transportation of malt barley from Montana to Mexico Matt Jones
  - Subcommittee report Eric Doheny
  - Montana pulse crop loading facilities
  - o Car shipments of grain not originating in Montana to west coast
  - o Effect of trade embargoes on Montana shippers
  - o Discussion

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# 1:00 pm - 1:15 pm

- Energy Shipping
  - o Subcommittee report Craig Gilchrist
  - Effect of trade embargoes on Montana shippers
  - o Discussion

# 1:15 pm - 2:00 pm

- Public Comment
- Comments from Council members
- Next RSCC meeting date, location, and agenda items
- Adjournment