



Community Conversation Guidelines

Discussing the future of our outdoor heritage is one of the most important conversations we can have as citizens of Montana. While our way of life unites us, there are bound to be differences of opinion when we discuss the details. Please read these conversation guidelines to ensure everyone feels welcome and to help everyone's voices be heard. Prior to beginning the conversation, let the host know if you have any additional guidelines you would like to be considered by the group.

- Allow time for everyone to share.
Everyone's ideas and stories are important.
- Speak from your experience and listen carefully.
We can all learn from other people's experiences.
- Treat each other with respect, even if you disagree about something.
- Make sure that everyone has a chance to talk and that no one dominates the conversation.
- If you have questions about an opinion, encourage other participants to explain why something is important to them.
- Remember, you do not need to come to agreement. But do listen for areas of common ground and make a note of them verbally.

