ACTIVITY REPORT FOR MARCH 2017
MONTANA BEAR PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

18 RECORDED VISITS IN MARCH!
The BEAR Google Form Database was the recipient of 18 BEAR Team visits in March. Great work!
- Flathead County/Kalispell: Mora McCarthy led the way with 8 visits; Kim Morisaki with
- Gallatin County/Bozeman: Warren Vaughan 7 visits
Additional visits recorded:
- Dawson County/Glendive: Kathy McLane
- Lake County/Polson: Lynn Lagerquist, Kristopher Schock, and John Winegart.

REGISTER FOR MEDA CONFERENCE AT THE MEMBERSHIP RATE
BEAR Team members are welcome to register for the MEDA Spring Conference at the Membership Rate. The agenda is packed with presenters and learning opportunities applicable to BEAR Team efforts. Be sure to get your lodging by April 10th and register before April 21st!

Agenda and Registration
CHARTING THE COURSE IN THE WINDS OF CHANGE
JOIN US IN GREAT FALLS MAY 2 – 3
There is nothing quite like a MEDA conference; you will not want to miss all that is planned for you.
- Pre-Conference Professional Development Training: Caution! Construction Zone! Infrastructure Planning and Financing ~ Roads, Bridges, Water & Sewer Improvement. Bring your infrastructure challenges to this work table approach to learning.
- Not one, but TWO tours!
Learning opportunities on topics such as: Efficient Social Media, TIFs, Legislative Outcomes, Table Talks

MEDA Annual Membership Meeting
Winds of Change from Washington, DC

[Agenda and Registration] – Lodging ends April 10th; Early Bird Rate ends April 21

BREI – we call it BEAR
The Business Retention and Expansion International Conference is fast approaching!
Check out this website for all BREI training events: [http://www.brei.org/upcoming-events.html](http://www.brei.org/upcoming-events.html)

Interested in reviving, changing up your BEAR Team? Contact the BEAR office (406.563.5259) and Mike and Gloria will share various models and strategies with you.