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Fall 2015 Fundraising Goal

\$21,000

November 19, 2015

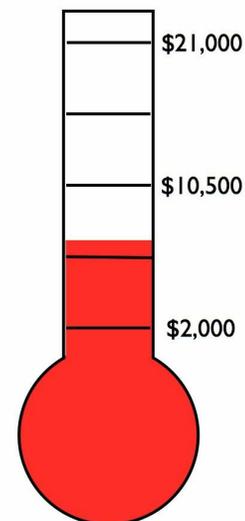
Dear Greetings!:

The margin between success and failure is sometimes slim. So far, *Headwaters Montana* has established a pretty good record of success - chalking up the *North Fork Watershed Protection Act*, and achieving the historic [Whitefish Range Partnership Agreement](#), among other multi-year efforts to protect our home environment.

At the end of every year, *Headwaters Montana* needs your financial support to continue. This year **we must raise \$21,000** from individuals like you to balance our foundation grant income as required by the IRS.

You and I have it pretty good here in Northwest Montana. But inevitably and historically, the natural resources that drew or keep us in this place seem to attract controversy. And it is

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The
Temperature's
Rising!

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Will You Help
Now?

precisely that nexus between what we love and the controversy that led local folks to form *Headwaters Montana* back in 2006. *There had to be a better way.* A community way of resolving long-standing natural resource issues.

I hope you are pleased with our success so far, because, truly, our success is Flathead Valley's success. We just happened to be a catalyst. We stick with our programs until we achieve the success the community wants to see - and, in fact, creates for itself.

We have a lot planned for the next year. And, as in past year, we rely on your support. [Can we count on you now at the end of 2015?](#) Here's what your community is talking about and what we're tracking:

- *Work with our [Flathead Wild campaign](#) allies to complete the Wildlife Management Area and Waterton Park expansion in B.C.*
- *Get the [Whitefish Range Wilderness](#) proposal introduced in Congress*
- *Protect the North Fork Flathead from bad logging practices in B.C.*
- *Resolve Ten Lakes Wilderness Study Area impasse*
- *Achieve Kootenai Forest "Common Ground" wilderness recommendations*
- *Protect Flathead wildlands through Flathead Forest planning*
- *Find ways to address the potential disaster of a Bakken oil train derailment along the Middle Fork Flathead River*
- *Protect open space in the Flathead Valley*

\$21,000 is a large sum of money. And every donation will help us reach our annual fundraising goal. If you wish your donation to be directed to a specific issue, or if you wish to discuss our program, [please don't hesitate to call or email me!](#)

Headwaters Montana must raise \$21,000 by the stroke of midnight, December 31, in order to meet the IRS required individual donor match. Will you please [donate](#) today!

We are moving progressively to a paperless fundraising program to save resources and money - your money! [Please help us by using our on-line donation system here.](#)



[People enjoying the Montana backcountry](#) - quietly. This image captures the view below Lake Mountain in the Thompson Seton Roadless Area, an area the [Whitefish Range Partnership](#) recommended for Wilderness protection.

The *Headwaters Montana* board of directors and I thank you for your donation and commitment to making a difference in protecting our Flathead home.

Cheers!



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Approaching Nasukoin Mountain, 2015. This spectacular hike takes you through one of the best subalpine larch (*Larix lyalii*) stands in the Whitefish Range in the Thompson Seton Roadless Area. Inexplicably, the Flathead National Forest has proposed snowmobiling for this area, conflicting with the recommendations of Whitefish Range Partnership. We are working to correct this designation and expect it to be part of the Recommended wilderness in the revise Flathead Forest Plan, to be released this January.



The Divide Cutoff Trail between Baree and Bear lakes just outside the Cabinet Mountains Wilderness.

Headwaters Montana is working with the Kootenai "Common Ground" committee to have this and other roadless areas on the Kootenai Forest protected as Wilderness.



We're working with Canadians in British Columbia to monitor and change logging practices that could adversely impact the water and wildlife of the North Fork Flathead River.

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