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Montana Offender Tracking & Notification System UPDATE— April 2009

The project has continued to move forward and we are looking forward to the upcoming Annual MSPDA Convention in June. In the last month we have been able to strengthen our alliance with the Montana DUI Task Force, the Missoula Crimes Victims Advocate Office, and to gain additional participants by collaborating with the Montana Probation and Parole and the Cascade County Sheriffs Office. All project sites have continued to yield valuable data regarding the benefits and short-falls of electronic monitoring in Montana.

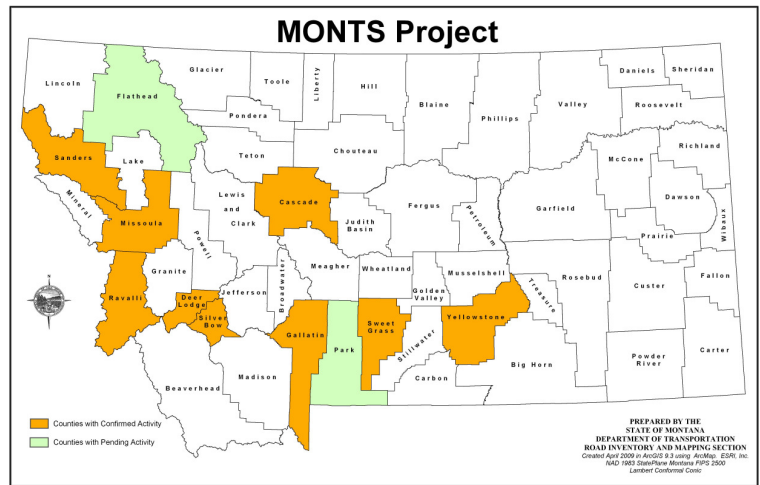
Noteworthy Events:

- * The project team met with Judges from Region I to discuss project enrollment and how the systems work
- * We are continuing to monitor Registered Sex Offenders in two separate counties
- * A partnership with the Montana Department of Corrections—Probation and Parole Unit began
- * A partnership with the Missoula Crimes Victims Advocate is working toward monitoring domestic violence cases

The Montana Department of Transportation has assisted us by putting together this map illustrating the counties with pending activity and those with active devices. As we move forward into the spring and summer months we will continue to expand the devices throughout the state.

As this map shows we are seeking more interest from counties in the central and eastern part of the state. The project manager will be traveling to many of those counties during late May and early June looking for project partnerships.

During late April Harve was here for a week doing project evaluation and we visited with Ravalli county officials where the devices are being used to successfully save the county money on medical bills for two cases. As we move forward into the next month everyone in the project looks forward to moving the project east and continuing to build relationships with other groups throughout Montana.



Devices Activated

Counties With Devices	9
Total Days Tracked	275
Active Monitoring Units	15
Active Alcohol Monitors	2
Vehicle Tracking Units	1

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