

MACD STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
OPERATIONAL POLICY
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The standing committee authority is addressed in the Montana Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) by-laws under Article 14 Section D. The 4 MACD Standing Committees are: District Operations, Education, Water Resources, and Soil Resource and Land Use. This policy provides further clarification regarding the standing committee intended roles and responsibilities.

1. The Standing Committees will hold, at least, 4 meetings per year:

- a. 1 meeting at the Spring Board Meeting
- b. 1 meeting at the Annual Convention
- c. 2 meetings via conference call – up to the committee to schedule.

The committees may choose to meet more often depending on the issues they are considering.

2. Resolutions – the standing committees will be responsible for:

- a. Researching resolutions and providing input to the CD developing the document.
- b. Reconcile current resolutions annually and determine the appropriate sunset date.
 - i. Recommendations for change will be directed to the MACD Board for approval.
- c. Discussing the proposed resolutions at the MACD Annual Convention providing a status recommendation to the Business Meeting.
- d. Committee members may actively provide outreach and education with regard to MACD resolutions.

3. The committees will work with the membership to provide organizational, programmatic, or policy recommendations to the MACD Board.
4. The committees may be engaged in implementing current resolutions assigned to their group.
5. During legislative sessions, the committees will consider and offer input on proposed bills to the MACD Legislative Committee. The committee may also be engaged in securing members that are willing to testify in front of the legislature on a specific bill.
6. The committees may be engaged in researching, proposing, or developing legislation during the off years of a legislative session.
7. The committees may also make recommendations to the MACD Board on other pertinent issues affecting the association or conservation districts.