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Las Vegas, Nevada

Friends,

Welcome to the 2026 SHOT Show. This premier event brings together industry leaders, innovators, and enthusiasts from across the globe, and Montana is proud to stand at the center of it. Our state is home to thriving outdoor recreation, firearms and ammunition industries with a growing network of innovative businesses fueling advancement, supporting jobs and preserving the sporting traditions we value so deeply.

Additionally, Montana is recognized as one of the most business-friendly states in the nation. Thanks to our pro-jobs policies, efforts to cut red tape, and a strong entrepreneurial spirit, we consistently rank among the best states to start and grow a business. At the same time, we remain committed to protecting the Montana way of life, where the outdoors inspires hard work, creativity and world-class craftsmanship.

From cutting-edge outdoor gear to precision firearms and ammunition, the products highlighted here reflect the pride, skill, and work ethic that set Montana apart. The SHOT Show

is an unmatched platform to highlight the innovation of our small business owners and to connect Montana companies with new partners and opportunities worldwide.

We invite you to explore this directory and meet the businesses represented here. Together, they showcase not only the strength of our industries, but also the spirit of our people. Whether you are looking for trusted partners, reliable suppliers, or a place to grow your company, you will find that Montana offers the Last Best Place to do business.

I look forward to visiting with many of you during this year's show. Enjoy your time and don't hesitate to reach out to me or a member of the Montana Department of Commerce team to learn more about how we can support your growing business.

Sincerely,

Greg Gianforte
Governor

Montana Rolls Out the Red Carpet for Your Business

The Montana Department of Commerce's Business Attraction team supports expansion, relocation, reshoring and new investments by helping businesses make informed decisions with the full support of the State of Montana.

Our Red-Carpet Program, available only in Montana, starts with a custom-tailored plan that connects you to the right sites, communities, partners and resources. We assist with site selection, workforce training, introductions to industry partners, navigating financial incentives and connections with community stakeholders to form long-term relationships.

With state leadership committed to supporting business retention and growth, Montana is known for limited red tape, fast permitting processes and practical regulation. Montana's stable business climate, skilled and dependable workforce and community values create a place where companies grow while employees enjoy an unmatched quality of life.

The Business Attraction team welcomes leaders who value authenticity, efficiency and meaningful partnership. Montana is ready to roll out the red carpet for your business!



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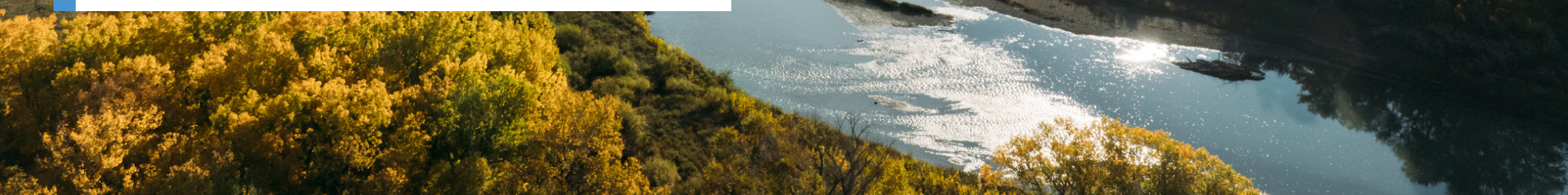
Montana is open for business. Under Gov. Greg Gianforte's leadership, our pro-growth policies help companies thrive. With lower taxes and less red tape, Montana offers competitive labor costs in the manufacturing and tech sectors.

The Montana Department of Commerce works alongside business and community leaders to expand Montana's economy and plan for growth, with stakeholders launching our state to the frontlines of innovation. Stop by booth 41513 and let us share Montana's unique story, learn about your company and discuss how Commerce can support you through investment opportunities, technical assistance, funding and data services.

Don't forget to stay in the loop with Commerce news by following us on Facebook and LinkedIn and by subscribing to our free newsletters here:



We wish all SHOT Show attendees a healthy and prosperous new year!



Booth Partners

Crazy Creek Products

Crazy Creek Products has been redefining portable comfort since 1987 with its iconic legless camp chairs — trusted from Alaskan basecamps to the Australian Outback. Based in Red Lodge, Montana, we design and manufacture rugged, lightweight seating and accessories built for the outdoors. Whether you're hunting, paddling, camping or spectating, Crazy Creek delivers unmatched durability and support. Explore our latest innovations, including the Made in Montana pack table and the new Air Series inflatable chairs — preferred by guides, scouts and outdoor enthusiasts worldwide.

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First Wave Fabrication

First Wave Fabrication is a Montana-built, Montana-proud metal fabrication company specializing in fully custom metal products tailored to exact customer specifications. From concept to completion, every project is crafted with precision, durability and attention to detail — 100% designed and fabricated right here in the Big Sky State. Whether it's one-of-a-kind builds, specialized industrial components or unique architectural features, First Wave Fabrication combines innovation, craftsmanship and local pride to deliver results that stand the test of time.

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LINE49 LLC

In search of liberty, we crossed the 49th to expand our machine shop operations into the great state of Montana. Specializing in precision rifles and match-grade barrels, our products are hand crafted in-house, one barrel at a time. We've perfected our craft over the years, scaling up production while constantly chasing new ideas. We offer a wide range of rifle configurations for the tactical, competition and hunting segments of our industry. 2025 marked the launch of our all-new SuperShort MATCH rifle designed around the Hornady® ARC cartridge family and the AR15 Magazine.

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Last Best Company

The Last Best Company is a proud Montana-based company specializing in custom patch hats built to stand out and to last. From our innovative wood and metal patches with real wood veneer and copper inlay to our hand-dyed, thick-stitched leather patches as well as our durable, flexible Flexwood patches, every hat is crafted with rugged style and unmatched quality. In addition to our catalog of original designs, we help outfitters, businesses and organizations create custom hats and branded merchandise that truly represent their identity.

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MARIBETH AULT, Game Warden, Montana FWP

Maribeth Ault was raised in Pennsylvania where she spent her time hunting, hiking, fishing and playing softball and volleyball. Ault received a bachelor's degree in environmental science from

Juniata College in Huntingdon, PA and moved to Montana shortly after graduating. Ault has been a game warden with Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks for five years and was honored as the 2024 Shikar-Safari Wildlife Officer of the Year for Montana – the first woman in the state to win the award.



FRANK BLUNETTO, Game Warden, Montana FWP

Frank Blundetto grew up in Minnesota where he spent his youth hunting, fishing and trapping. He earned an associate's degree as a paramedic before enlisting in the United

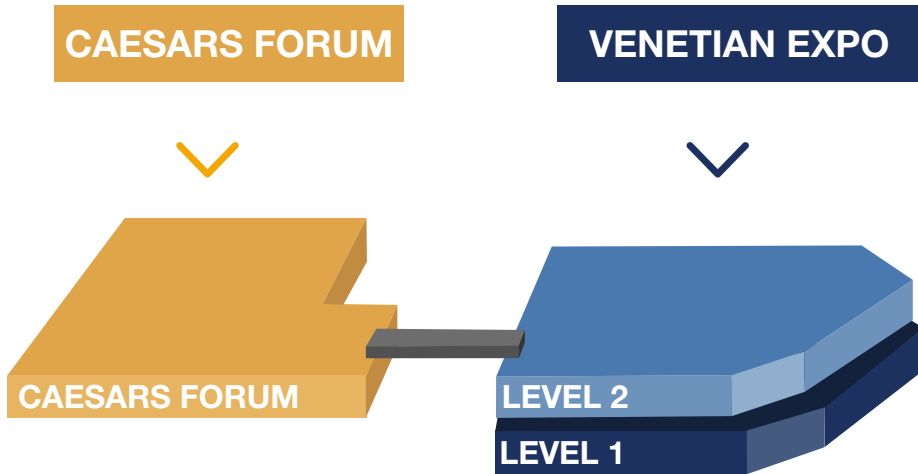
States Marine Corps as an infantry assault man. Blundetto deployed twice – once as part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit and a second time to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

After an honorable discharge, Blundetto moved to Montana and earned his bachelor's degree in fish and wildlife management at Montana State University-Bozeman. He was hired at Montana FWP in 2018 and has over seven years of experience as a game warden.



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Map and Exhibitors



CAESARS FORUM

Booths #70000-#76000

LEVEL 1

Booths #40000-45000; #60000-63000

LEVEL 2

Booths #10000-33000

State of Montana Booth #41513

- Crazy Creek Products
- Detac Arms
- First Wave Fabrication
- LINE49 LLC
- Last Best Company

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Alpha Loading Systems	#70835
Shield Arms	#72219
Snowy Mountain Rifles	#75307
Vantac	#70743

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Olympus Arms	#43022
State of Montana	#41513

VENETIAN LEVEL 2

Bushnell Holdings, Inc.	#10518
MYSTERY RANCH	#31309
Revelyst	#10521
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation	#13622
Stone Glacier	#10521

OTHER

Ader Development Center	#51008
Credova	VL250
Montana Mountain Patches	
Skinner Sights	#52536



AUSTIN KNUDSEN, Attorney General, State of Montana

Austin Knudsen was sworn in as Montana’s 25th Attorney General in January 2021 and was sworn in for a second term in January. He is a 5th generation Montanan who grew up a farm and ranch kid in

Northeast Montana.

Austin is a staunch supporter of the Second Amendment and committed leader in protecting this constitutional freedom. In June, he helped to secure a United States Supreme Court victory in *Smith & Wesson v. Mexico* which will protect firearms manufacturers from answering for the actions of criminals in other countries, like Mexico. To further safeguard law-abiding Americans’ right to keep and bear arms, he led several other coalitions asking SCOTUS to overturn unconstitutional bans and unlawful restrictions.

Outside the office, Austin is also an avid hunter, shooter and reloader. In his free time, he spends time hunting in Montana’s mountains and shoots prairie dogs with his family. He has also participated in several competitive shooting events and enjoys spending time in his shed working on and maintaining his firearms.

Sponsors

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Skinner Sights
skinersights.com
406-745-4570



Stockman Bank
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Montana Business Assistance Connection

Montana Business Assistance Connection, Inc. is a regional economic development organization serving Lewis & Clark, Broadwater and Meagher Counties in Montana. Headquartered in Helena, MBAC is dedicated to strengthening the regional economy by attracting new industries, supporting local business growth, advancing infrastructure and enhancing the overall quality of life. In addition, MBAC acts as a bridge to public programs and financing opportunities.

Big Sky Economic Development

Big Sky Economic Development is a public-private partnership. The Big Sky Economic Development Authority, the public agency, evolved from the Montana Trade Port Authority launched in 1989 by the Yellowstone County Board of Commissioners. Big Sky Economic Development Corporation, the private business side, was started in 2002. Over 160-plus of the county's top businesses are member-investor partners in the EDC. Together, the organization's mission is to sustain and grow Yellowstone County's vibrant economy and outstanding quality of life by providing leadership and resources for business creation, expansion, retention, new business recruitment and community development.

Great Falls Development Alliance

Great Falls Development Alliance is a change agent, catalyst and facilitator in the Great Falls region, fostering collaboration and partnerships to support diverse economic opportunities, innovation and growth. Its economic development organization is a high-performing leader in attracting new investment and talent. GFDA's work providing access to capital, consulting, training and resources for entrepreneurs, businesses, developers and nonprofits has transformed Great Falls and the surrounding 13-county trade area into a thriving regional economy that enhances the area's standard of living.

Missoula Area Chamber of Commerce

Since 1904, the Missoula Area Chamber of Commerce has been dedicated to building a robust economy and cultivating a vibrant business environment. As a pivotal force in the community, the Chamber has not only supported entrepreneurship and quality job creation but has also played a crucial role in retaining top talent within the area. With initiatives like the Leadership Missoula Program, the Chamber has laid a solid foundation for both personal and professional growth throughout the region.



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Economic Impact of Cold-Water vs. Warm-Water Fishing

Cold-Water Fishing:

accounted for
\$1.1 billion
in spending

supported
14,355 jobs

contributed
\$828.4 million
in value-added to the GDP

Warm-Water Fishing:

accounted for
\$170 million
in spending

supported
1,623 jobs

contributed
\$90.7 million
in value-added to the GDP

Nonresidents were the primary source of cold-water-fishing-related spending, responsible for more than 70% of expenditures. These trips are typically longer and involve higher spending on lodging, guides and dining. Montana residents accounted for two-thirds of warm-water-fishing-related spending. Trips are often shorter and more frequent, with spending concentrated on fuel and groceries, making them a key source of economic activity for local businesses in less-populated areas of the state.

Data courtesy of Montana FWP and University of Montana Bureau of Business and Economic Research.

Why Companies Choose Montana

1. Outdoor Recreation

Outdoor recreation contributed \$3.4 billion to Montana's economy and supports approximately 30,915 jobs statewide.

2. No State Sales Tax

Montana does not have a state sales tax, reducing operational and purchasing costs for businesses and consumers.

3. Competitive Corporate Income Tax

Montana's corporate income tax rate is 6.75 percent, providing a competitive and stable tax environment for business growth.

4. Equipment Tax Exemptions

Montana exempts the first \$1 million of business equipment from taxation, and the next \$6 million of a taxpayer's statewide aggregate market value is assessed at a 1.5 percent tax rate. Combined, the effect is to lower the cost of capital investment and expansion.

5. Firearms and Ammunition Industry

The firearms and ammunition industry contributes more than \$444 million in total annual economic impact statewide.



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Data courtesy of U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis,
Montana Department of Revenue and
National Shooting Sports Foundation.





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