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John Wachsmuth is a fisheries conservation specialist for Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (MFWP). He has held a number of positions with MFWP since his first job assisting on a sauger and shovelnose fisheries study on the Tongue, Powder, and Yellowstone Rivers. He worked on a bull trout study in the Swan Valley and baseline water quality and fisheries data collection on Hungry Horse Reservoir.

John spearheaded the development of early citizen monitoring programs, and later the Northwest Montana Lakes Volunteer Monitoring Network. He was instrumental in guiding development of the first and second editions of the *Montana Lake Book*. John has a

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