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## **COMMISSIONER McDOWELL TO VISIT BOISE, IDAHO, AND FOUR MONTANA CITIES, AS PART OF EXTENSIVE NATIONWIDE INITIATIVE FOR DTV OUTREACH**

*Visit is Part of Nationwide Tour Focusing on Markets with High Levels of Over-the-Air Television Viewers*

Washington, DC – FCC Commissioner Robert McDowell announced he will visit Boise, Idaho, and four cities in Montana during the week of September 29 to hold public forums on the transition to digital television. These visits are part of an extensive nationwide initiative the Commission has launched to increase awareness about the upcoming transition to digital television.

### **Monday, September 29 (morning) - Boise, Idaho**

**WHO:** Commissioner Robert McDowell  
**WHAT:** Forum on Transition to Digital Television  
**WHEN:** September 29, 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (followed by press availability)  
**WHERE:** City Council Chambers  
150 North Capitol Boulevard, Boise, ID  
Commissioner McDowell will be introduced by Boise Mayor Dave Bieter

### **Monday, September 29 (evening) - Missoula, Montana**

**WHO:** Commissioner Robert McDowell  
**WHAT:** Forum on Transition to Digital Television  
**WHEN:** September 29, 7:30- 8:30 PM (followed by press availability)  
**WHERE:** University of Montana  
University Center Theater  
32 Campus Drive, Missoula, MT

**Tuesday, September 30 - Helena, Montana**

**WHO:** Commissioner Robert McDowell  
**WHAT:** Forum on Transition to Digital Television  
**WHEN:** September 30, 7:30- 8:30 PM (followed by press availability)  
**WHERE:** St. Peter's Hospital Community Room  
2475 Broadway, Helena, MT

**Wednesday, October 1 - Bozeman, Montana**

**WHO:** Commissioner Robert McDowell  
**WHAT:** Forum on Transition to Digital Television  
**WHEN:** October 1, 7:00-8:00 PM (followed by press availability)  
**WHERE:** Bozeman Public Library, Community Room  
626 E Main St., Bozeman, MT

**Thursday, October 2 - Billings, Montana**

**WHO:** Commissioner Robert McDowell  
**WHAT:** Forum on Transition to Digital Television  
**WHEN:** October 2, 3:00 - 4:00 PM (followed by press availability)  
**WHERE:** Mary Alice Fortin Center, Rooms B&D  
8th Avenue North, Billings, MT

The FCC identified target television markets for specific DTV outreach, including all those markets in which more than 100,000 households or at least 15% of the households rely solely on over-the-air signals for television.

Recently, Chairman Kevin Martin announced that the five FCC Commissioners and other Commission staff will fan out to these and other markets to raise awareness and educate consumers in the days leading up to the digital television transition on February 17, 2009.

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