The Flathead Watershed is truly a wonderful place to live and work. Visitors from around the world come to this area to recreate and study. From the headwaters like those in Glacier where I work, to the splendor of Flathead Lake it is a remarkable area. For those of us who live here, we have a special responsibility to protect our resources like outstanding water quality, abundant wildlife, and native plant and animal species that make the area unique. There are many challenges as more people come to live in the area. Land use changes in the U.S. and Canada can affect habitat, connectivity, and bring in exotic organisms. Together we can protect this area by learning about the issues and how to mitigate the changes—both ongoing and proposed—so that our children and future generations can continue to enjoy this area.