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**Revenue Department to Hold Liquor License Lottery**

Helena – The Montana Department of Revenue will hold a public lottery for two available liquor licenses after receiving numerous applications for licenses in Billings and Broadwater County.

The lottery will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, at the Revenue Department’s liquor warehouse, located at 2517 Airport Road, Helena. The lottery is open to the public.

The department received 52 eligible applications for an additional Floater All-Alcoholic Beverages License for Billings and five for one new All-Alcoholic Beverages License for Broadwater County – this after publishing notices of the available licenses and requests for applications in early fall.

Once the lottery drawing is completed, the department will notify the successful applicants and send results via Twitter at [www.twitter.com/MTRRevenue](http://www.twitter.com/MTRRevenue).

No applications were filed for available All-Alcoholic Beverages licenses in Liberty and Chouteau Counties or Judith Gap City in Wheatland County.

An All-Alcoholic Beverages License allows an establishment to sell liquor, beer and wine at retail for on or off-premise consumption. There are currently 1,594 All-Alcoholic Beverages Licenses in Montana. A total of 103 All-Alcoholic Beverages Licenses are currently issued in Billings and four All-Alcoholic Beverages Licenses in Broadwater County. A Floater All-Alcoholic Beverages License is an All-Alcoholic Beverages License purchased and transferred by a successful applicant to a new location outside the quota area for which it was originally issued. Floater All-Alcoholic Beverages Licenses can’t be mortgaged or transferred to a new owner for five years after the approval. Also, any Floater All-Alcoholic Beverages License issued as a result of a lottery is gaming-restricted.

The Revenue Department makes every effort to continually offer more convenient and efficient services to our licensees and the public. For more information, please visit the department’s website at [www.revenue.mt.gov](http://www.revenue.mt.gov) or follow us at [www.twitter.com/MTRRevenue](http://www.twitter.com/MTRRevenue).

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