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FINAL AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL State Capitol, Room 102 September 14-15, 2016

NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE--SOME ITEMS MAY TAKE

MORE OR LESS TIME THAN IS ALLOTTED.

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

9:00 a.m. Call to Order - Roll Call

Sen. Gene Vuckovich

9:05 a.m. Administrative Matters - Mr. Kolman

• Adoption of EQC Minutes from July 2016 (Tab 1)

9:10 a.m. Water Policy Interim Committee Update - Mr. Mohr

9:20 a.m. Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee Update -

Ms. Nowakowski

9:30 a.m. Sage-grouse Habitat Conservation Program Update

Carolyn Sime, Sage-grouse Conservation Program Manager

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- EQC

• Committee action, if any

10:00 a.m. Statutory Administrative Rule Review (Tab 2)

General overview -- Ms. Thigpen

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- EQC

Committee action, if any

10:15 a.m. HB 142 Compliance: Agency Reports and Councils (Tab 3)

Overview -- Mr. KolmanPublic comment

Questions/discussion -- EQC

Committee action, if any

10:30 a.m. DEQ Legislative Proposal (Tab 4)

Director Tom Livers

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

10:45 a.m. Colstrip Administrative Order on Consent (Tab 5)

Overview -- Aimee Reynolds, Risk Remediation Supervisor DEQ

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. HJ13 Study: Draft Report - (Tab 6)

Mr. Kolman

FWP survey results - Quentin Kujala, FWP Wildlife Bureau Coordinator

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 1:30 p.m. DNRC Travel Management Report (Tab 7)

Kevin Chappell, Resource Conservation Manager, Trust Lands Division

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 2:00 p.m. DNRC Legislative Proposals (Tab 8)

Director John Tubbs

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 2:15 p.m. Food and Ag Development Centers Update (Tab 9)

Angela Nelson, Growth Through Agriculture Program Manager,

Department of Agriculture

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 2:30 p.m. Statewide Noxious Weed Control Coordination Program Update

Dave Burch, Weed Program Manager, Dept of Agriculture (Tab 10)

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any
- 2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. Bison Management

Overview, Mr. Kolman Tribal Treaty Hunting

- Becky Dockter, Chief Legal Counsel, FWP
- Councilman Ron Trahan, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Quincy Ellenwood, Chairman Nez Perce Tribal subcommittee for Natural Resources
- Darrell Shay, Vice Chairman Fort Hall Business Council, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
- Jeremy Red Star Wolf, Vice Chairman, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (via phone)
- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

Winter 2016/2017 Management Plan

- Sam Sheppard, Region 3 Supervisor, FWP
- Marty Zaluski, State Veterinarian, DOL
- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

5:00 p.m. Public Comment on any matter not contained in this agenda and

that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC

5:15 p.m. Recess

Thursday, September 15, 2016

8:00 a.m. Orphan Share Remedial Action and Petroleum Tank Release Site

Closure Updates (Tab 11)

Mike Trombetta, Contaminated Site Cleanup Bureau Chief, DEQ

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

8:20 a.m. DEQ Program Evaluations

Waste and Underground Tank Management (Tab 12)

Overview -- Mr. Kolman

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

Air Resources Management (Tab 13)

Overview -- Mr. Kolman

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

8:50 a.m. Yellowstone River Closure Update Paul Sihler, chief of staff, FWP Eileen Ryce, Fisheries Division, FWP Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 9:30 a.m. Break 9:40 a.m. FWP Brucellosis Work Plan 2016-2017 (Tab 14) Quentin Kujala, FWP Wildlife Bureau Coordinator Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 10:10 a.m. FWP Licensing Revenue Update Director Jeff Hagener Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 10:30 a.m. FWP Legislative Proposals (Tab 15) Director Jeff Hagener Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 10:50 a.m. Fire Season Update Bob Harrington, State Forester, DNRC Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 11:20 p.m. Volunteer Issues on Public Land Overview -- Rep. White Joni Packard, Northern Region Forest Service Volunteer Coordinator Public comment Questions/discussion -- EQC Committee action, if any 11:50 p.m. Public Comment on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC Other Business Instructions to Staff

12:00 p.m.

Adjourn

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