

Reclamation and Development Grants-Statutory Position
 as summarized for the House Appropriations Committee

State Special Revenue Account (02458)			
<u>Statutory RDGP Grant Revenue Projections</u>			
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance-(7/1/2005)		\$1,847,688	
Resource Indemnity Trust Interest	3,000,000		15-38-202 (2)(a)(iii)-"for the purpose of making grants"
Resource Indemnity and Ground Water Assessment Tax	630,000		15-38-106 (2)(d)-all remaining proceeds in the reclamation and development grants account... for the purpose of making grants to be used for mineral development reclamation projects
Metal Mines Tax	1,311,000		15-37-117 (1)(d)-to the reclamation and development grants program state special revenue 7% of total collections each year
Oil and Gas Production Tax	3,844,111		15-36-331 (4)(I)-4.18% (state portion) to the reclamation and development grants special revenue account established in 90-2 1104
2007 Biennium Revenues		8,785,111	
<u>Statutorily Appropriate Uses of Grant Funds</u>			
Proposed Expenditures			
Administration - DNRC	(12,000)		
* Conservation and Resource Development Div. - DNRC	(1,394,138)		
Environmental Contingency Account (HB 7)	(57,116)		
Total Proposed Expenditures		(1,463,254)	
Balance Available for RDGP Grants:		\$9,169,545	

HB 7

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1	2	5	Board of Oil and Gas Conservation		
		6	2005 Eastern District Orphaned Well Plug & Abandonment	\$300,000	\$300,000
2		7	Board of Oil and Gas Conservation		
		8	2005 Northern District Orphaned Well Plug & Abandonment	300,000	300,000
3		9	Department of Environmental Quality		
		10	Bluebird Mine Reclamation	300,000	300,000
4		11	Department of Environmental Quality		
		12	Frohner Mine Reclamation	300,000	300,000
5		13	Department of Environmental Quality		
		14	Buckeye Mine & Millsite Reclamation	300,000	300,000
6		15	Lewistown, City of		
		16	Reclamation of Brewery Flats on Big Spring Creek	300,000	300,000
7		17	MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation		
		18	St. Mary Studies and Design (2)	300,000	900,000
8	2	19	Butte-Silver Bow Local Government		
		20	Belmont Shaft Failure & Subsidence Mitigation	300,000	300,000
9		21	Pondera County		
		22	Oil & Gas Well Plug & Abandon	100,000	100,000
10		23	Custer County CD		
		24	Yellowstone River Resource Conservation Project	299,965	299,965
11		25	Teton County		
		26	2005 Plugging & Abandonment Aid to Small Independent Oil	50,000	50,000
12		27	Toole County		
		28	Plugging and Abandonment Aid to Small Oil Operators	150,000	150,000
13		29	MT Department of Environmental Quality		
		30	Zortman Mine - Completion of Reclamation Alternative Z6	300,000	300,000
14	3	1	Butte-Silver Bow Local Government		
		2	Excelsior Reclamation	129,800	129,800
15		3	Powell County		
		4	Wetland Reclamation and Redevelopment	240,850	240,850
16		5	MT Department of Environmental Quality		
		6	MTS Tire Recyclers Cleanup	300,000	300,000
18			Montana Department of Environmental Quality		
			Former Harlem Equity Co-op Bulk Plant (3)		
				\$3,970,615	\$4,856,187

Recommended Grant Funding in HB 7:
 Ending Fund Balance of Grants Account: (4,900,000)
 4,269,545

Non-RDGP Uses from the Reclamation and Development Grant Account

Resource Indemnity Trust Interest - Additional		1,206,800	15-38-202 (2)(c)(iii)-35% remainder allocated to renewable reclamation and development grants account provided for in 90-2-1104
<u>Other Appropriations</u>			
Renewable Resource Funds Transfer (HB 7)		(400,000)	
Water Resources Division - DNRC		(107,428)	
Central Management - DEQ		(83,378)	
Enforcement - DEQ		(9,648)	
Permitting and Compliance - DEQ		(3,243,521)	
State Library Operations - Library Commission		(782,872)	
<u>HB 2 DE's:</u>			
2320 CD Position		(140,857)	
2321 Irrigation		(300,000)	
2322 Missouri River Conservation District		(160,000)	
2327 St. Mary Hydrologist		(122,404)	
2414 St. Mary Engineer		(124,132)	
Total Other Appropriations:		(5,479,240)	
		(2,895)	

* Includes pay plan increase

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Amendments to House Bill No. 7
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For the House Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long Range
Planning Committee

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1. Page 1, line 17.
Strike: "\$4"
Insert: "\$4.9"

2. Page 2, line 18.
Strike: "\$300,000"
Insert: "\$900,000"

3. Page 3.
Following: line 6
Insert: "Montana Department of Environmental Quality"
"(Former Harlem Equity Co-Op Bulk Plant) \$285,572"

4. Page 4, line 7.
Strike: "\$100,000"
Insert: "\$57,115.94"

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**Appropriation Subcommittee of Long Range Planning committee
report for HB 7.**

1. This amendment would increase the appropriation for grants from \$4.0 million to \$4.9 million.
2. This amendment would increase the grant to the St. Mary's studies and design from \$300,000 to \$900,000.
3. This amendment would add the Harlem Equity Co-op Bulk Plant project to the list of approved grants.
4. This amendment would reduce the repayment of \$100,000 to the environmental contingency to \$57,115.94. This change will allow the account to begin the next biennium at the full limit of \$750,000.