

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

00:00:00

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM PETERSON**, on March 14, 2005 at
3:11 P.M., in Room 303 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Glenn Roush, Chairman (D)
Sen. Aubyn Curtiss (R)
Sen. Kelly Gebhardt (R)
Sen. Dan Harrington (D)
Sen. Greg Lind (D)
Sen. Gary L. Perry (R)
Sen. Bill Tash (R)
Sen. Ken Toole (D)
Sen. Mike Wheat (D)
Rep. Jim Peterson, Chairman (R)
Rep. Christopher Harris, (D)
Rep. Jack Ross (R)
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)
Rep. Norma Bixby (D)
Rep. Dee Brown (R)
Rep. Paul Clark (D)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Kevin Furey (D)
Rep. Gail Gutsche (D)
Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)
Rep. Rick Maedje (R)
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman (D)
Rep. Dave Wanzenried (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Peg Holwick, Committee Secretary, Audio Technician
Debra Polhemus, Committee Secretary
Krista Lee Evans, Legislative Branch
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: Informational meeting, 3/10/05

Executive Action: None.

00:00:33 **Opening remarks by GOVERNOR BRIAN SCHWEITZER**

00:18:42 **Gail Kimbell, Regional Forester, USDA Forest Service (USFS)**

00:31:38 **Marty Ott, State Director, US Bureau of Land Management (BLM) .**

00:47:35 **Dan Jewel, US Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)**

00:56:01 **Rep. Peterson** assumed the chair.

00:56:01 **John Daggett, US Army Corps of Engineers, (ACOE)**

EXHIBIT (nas56a01)

01:09:07 **Mary Sexton, Director, Department of Natural Resources (DNRC)**

01:16:31 **Richard Opper, Director, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)**

01:24:55 **Bob Harrington, Forestry Division Administrator, DNRC**

01:26:51 **Questions from the Committee**

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 6:00 P.M.

SEN. GLENN ROUSH, Chairman

PEG HOLWICK, Secretary

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