

DRAFT AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

State Capitol, Room 102
1:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 23, 2001 and 8:00 a.m., Thursday, May 24, 2001

NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE--SOME ITEMS MAY TAKE MORE OR LESS TIME THAN IS ALLOTTED.

WEDNESDAY, May 23, 2001:

- 1:30 p.m. I. **Call to Order - Roll Call/ Introductions of Council Members-
Senator McCarthy, Senior Senator**
- 1:45 p.m. II. **Administrative Matters - Mr. Everts**
 1. EQC's Tight Interim Budget
 2. EQC Publications
- 2:00 p.m. III. **Council and Staff Responsibilities**
 1. Purpose of the EQC - Mr. Everts
 2. EQC Statutory Responsibilities - Ms. Evans
 3. EQC Draft Rules and Procedures - Mr. Mitchell
 4. EQC Decisionmaking Process - Mr. Everts
 5. Staff Mission and Responsibilities - Ms. Vandenbosch
- 3:00 p.m. IV. **Summary and Disposition of EQC Legislation - Ms. Evans**
- 3:15 p.m. BREAK
- 3:30 p.m. V. **Introduction and Review of Interim Work Plan Options**
 1. Workplan Option Matrix Introduction - Mr. Everts
 2. Review of Individual Workplan Elements - EQC Staff
 3. Public Comment
- 5:00 p.m. RECESS

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THURSDAY, May 24, 2001:

- 8:00 a.m. Reconvene Meeting
- 8:05 a.m. **VI. Election of the EQC Chair and Vice Chair**
- 8:35 a.m. **Continue Item V Review and Discussion of Workplan (Including Public Comment)**
- 9:30 a.m. **VII. Adoption of Workplan Options**
- 9:45 a.m. **VIII. Governor's Drought Advisory Committee-
Lieutenant Governor Ohs, Chair**
- 10:15 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:30 a.m. **IX. Drought Information-
Velda Welch, Montana Natural Resources Information System**
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m. **X. The EQC's Response to the Governor's Request on the Fish,
Wildlife, and Parks Commission's authority to adopt a policy
and promulgate rules to regulate social conflicts on the Big
Hole and Beaverhead Rivers.**
 A. EQC Staff Review of the Issue - Larry Mitchell
 B. Legislative Services Division Legal Staff Opinion - Mr.
 Petesch
 C. Public Comment
 D. Council Direction
- 3:00 p.m. **XI. Other Business**
- 3:15 p.m. **XII. Subcommittee Membership Assignments if Any**
- 3:20 p.m. **XIII. Adoption of Interim EQC Calendar**
- 3:25 a.m. **XIV. Instructions to Staff**
- 3:30 p.m. **XV. Adjournment**
- 3:35 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. **SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS, IF ANY**