

DRAFT AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

State Capitol, Room 102
July 19 and 20, 2004

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

Monday, July 19, 2004

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Agency Oversight and Energy Policy Subcommittee meetings -- please see the subcommittee agenda for meeting time and location.

1:00 p.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Adoption of EQC Minutes** - Senator McNutt, Chair

1:05 p.m. **Administrative Matters** - Mr. Everts
1. EQC budget

1:10 a.m. **Subcommittee Updates**
1. Energy Policy Subcommittee
* Presentation of the Draft Report and Recommendations
* Council Action on Recommendations
2. Agency Oversight Subcommittee
* Presentation of Any Recommendations
* Council Action on Any Recommendations

1:45 p.m. **HJR 40 - Artificial Ponds and Water Rights**
1. Working Group Recommendations (if any)
2. Public comment
3. Council Action

2:15 p.m. **Metal Mine Bonding Status Paper - Final Draft Paper**
1. Discussion
2. Council Action

2:45 p.m. **HJR 43 - Zortman and Landusky Water Issues - Preliminary Paper**
1. Discussion
2. Council Action

3:15 p.m. BREAK

3:30 p.m. **Update on the Renewable Resource Grant and Loan Program**

4:00 p.m. **TMDL Panel Discussion**
-- Art Compton, DEQ
-- Ellen Engstedt, Montana Wood Products Association
-- Mike Wendland, Montana Association of Conservation Districts Board Member

-- John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau and Chair of the State
Technical Advisory Group
-- Ron Steg, Environmental Protection Agency

5:00 p.m. **Update on Tongue River TMDL and Montana/Wyoming Issues**
 -- Art Compton, DEQ

5:15 p.m. **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this
agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC.

5:30 p.m. RECESS

Tuesday, July 20, 2004

8:00 a.m. **HJR 4**
 1. Funding Subcommittee Recommendations
 -- Funding Proposal
 -- Mandatory On Motion Policy
 2. Council Discussion
 3. Public Comment
 4. Council Action on Subcommittee Recommendations
 5. Review Public Comment Received on the HJR 4 Report
 6. Council Action on the HJR 4 Report

9:15 a.m. **Hay Grinding/Air Quality DEQ Rules Discussion**

9:45 a.m. **Sage Grouse Management Plan and EA Explanation and Update**

10:45 a.m. BREAK

11:00 a.m. **Review of DNRC Legislative Proposals - Tim Hall, DNRC**

12:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. **Review of DNRC Legislative Proposals Continued**

2:00 p.m. **Review of DFWP Legislative Proposals**

4:30 p.m. **Other Business**

4:45 p.m. **Instructions to Staff - Future Meetings**

5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

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