FINAL AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

State Capitol, Room 172

1:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 14, 2011 and 9:00 a.m., Thursday, September 15, 2011

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

Wednesday, September 14, 2011:

1:00 p.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call** - Chairman Keane

1:05 p.m. **Administrative Matters** - Mr. Kolman
- Adoption of May 2011 EQC meeting minutes
- Adoption of EQC Rules and Procedures
- EQC budget review

1:10 p.m. **EQC action on subcommittee recommendation for hiring of Legislative Environmental Analyst** **closed personnel session**

1:25 p.m. **Parting thoughts from the outgoing Legislative Environmental Analyst** - Mr. Everts

1:35 p.m. **Adoption of Work Plan**
- Staff explanation - Mr. Kolman
- EQC discussion
- Public comment
- EQC action

2:00 p.m. **HJ 32 -- Study of state parks, outdoor recreation, and heritage resource programs**
- Summary of existing programs and past legislative reports and audits - Ms. Stockwell
- Public comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC directions to staff

3:00 p.m. **BREAK**

3:15 p.m. **HB 142 -- Review of statutorily-required agency reports**

Introduction - Ms. Stockwell

3:30 p.m. Clark Fork River Basin Task Force report (85-2-350, MCA)
Gerald Mueller, task force facilitator
- Public Comment,
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

4:00 p.m. Coal lease jobs report (HB 533, 2011)
Todd Younkin, Dept. of Labor
- Public Comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to

4:30 p.m. **Update on Water Policy Interim Committee** - Mr. Kolman

4:35 p.m. **Update on Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee and related studies** - Ms. Nowakowski

4:40 p.m. **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC

5:00 p.m. **Recess**

Thursday, September 15, 2011:

9:00 a.m. **Reconvene EQC Meeting**

HB 142 -- Review of statutorily-required agency reports -- continued

9:05 a.m. Numeric nutrient standards report (75-5-313, MCA)
George Mathieus, DEQ
- Public Comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

9:45 a.m. Maintenance account report (87-1-230, MCA)
Art Noonan, FWP
- Public Comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

10:30 a.m. **BREAK**

10:45 a.m. **Rule Review & Agency Litigation Status Report**
- General overview – Ms. Thigpen
- Public comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any & directions to staff

11:00 a.m. **Storm Water Discharge Permit Fees and Enforcement**
- Program Overview - Jenny Chambers, DEQ
- Permittee perspective - Louie Bouma, Bouma Post Yards
- Public comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

11:30a.m. **Fire Season Update**
- Bob Harrington, DNRC
- Public comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

11:45 a.m. **SB 409 (Cabin site leasing) Implementation Update**

- Mr. Kolman
- Public comment
- EQC questions & discussion
- EQC action, if any, & directions to staff

11:55 a.m. **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC

12:00 p.m. **Other Business**

Instructions to Staff

Adjourn

If you plan to attend this meeting and will need services or accommodations, please contact Joe Kolman (406-444-9280 or jkolman@mt.gov) or Hope Stockwell (406-444-1640 or hstockwell@mt.gov) at least 5 working days before the meeting.

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