

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.

CI2244 1255hsxc.