

FINAL AGENDA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

State Capitol, Room 172

10:00 a.m., Monday, September 13, 2010 and 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 14, 2010

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

Monday, September 13, 2010:

- 10:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call** - Chairman Vincent
- 10:05 a.m. **Administrative Matters** - Mr. Everts
- Adoption of July 22 EQC meeting minutes
 - EQC budget review
- 10:10 a.m. **LFC Reference Book Project & 2013 Budget Discussion**
- Sen. Carol Williams, Sen. Rick Ripley
Amy Carlson & Barb Smith, LFD
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:00 a.m. **Update on Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee**
Ms. Nowakowski
- 1:15 p.m. **HJR 1 -- Study of Biomass**
- LC 7000 -- BER Rulemaking for Chippers and Grinders**
- Staff Overview of public comment
 - Public Comment
 - Council Questions and Executive Action
 - Selection of Bill Sponsor, if necessary
- LC 7002 -- Separate Renewable Energy Credits from RPS**
- Staff Overview of public comment
 - Public Comment
 - Council Questions and Executive Action
 - Selection of Bill Sponsor, if necessary
- "Harvesting Energy" Draft Report**
- Staff Overview of updates since July
 - Public Comment
 - Council Questions and Executive Action
- Biomass Draft Letter to Governor**
- Overview of letter -- Rep. French
 - Public Comment
 - Council Questions and Executive Action

- 3:00 p.m. **BREAK**
- 3:15 p.m. **HJR 30 -- Study of Fire Suppression**
- Summary on study activity -- Ms. Kurtz
 - Update on 2010 fire season -- DNRC
 - Update on fire costs
 - Public comment
 - Council questions & discussion
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 4:00 p.m. **Update on Water Policy Interim Committee -- Mr. Kolman**
- 4:15 p.m. **LC 8002--Use of Navigable Rivers**
- Review of draft -- Mr. Kolman
 - Public comment
 - Council Questions and Executive Action
 - Selection of Bill Sponsor, if necessary
- 5:00 p.m. **RECESS OF EQC MEETING**

Tuesday, September 14, 2010:

- 8:00 a.m. **Reconvene EQC Meeting**
- 8:05 a.m. **Rule Review**
- General overview – Mr. Everts
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 8:10 a.m. **Statutory Duties: FWP Legislative Proposals/Request for Drafting**
- Introduction -- Mr. Everts
 - FWP Dir. Joe Maurier
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion – EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 9:10 a.m. **Agency Oversight: Wolf Litigation Update**
- Bob Lane, Chief Legal Counsel, FWP
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 10:10 a.m. **BREAK**

- 10:30 a.m. **Agency Oversight: FWP -- Maintenance Account Report**
- Sue Daly, Finance Division Administrator, FWP
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 11:30 a.m. **Agency Oversight: FWP -- Critical Areas Planning System**
- T.O. Smith, Data Services, FWP
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. **Agency Oversight: FWP -- Deer Management/Havre area**
- Introduction
 - Dave Risley, Fish & Wildlife Division Administrator, FWP
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion -- EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 1:30 p.m. **Update on publication of SJR 28 (Recycling) and HJR 15 (Tourism and Recreational Access) Study Reports -- Ms. Stockwell**
- 1:45 p.m. **Agency Oversight: DEQ -- SB 97 Petroleum Tank Release Fund**
- Overview of Fund's Financial Status -- Ms. Stockwell
 - LC 7010 review – Ms. Stockwell
 - Public comment
 - Questions & discussion – EQC
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
 - Selection of sponsor, if necessary
- 2:45 p.m. **BREAK**
- 3:00 p.m. **Continued Council discussion of any study recommendations & possible legislation – if necessary**
- Discussion – EQC
 - Public comment
 - Council action, if any & directions to staff
- 4:45 p.m. **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC
- 4:50 p.m. **Other Business**
- 4:55 p.m. **Instructions to Staff**

5:00 p.m.

Adjourn

If you plan to attend this meeting and will need services or accommodations, please contact Hope Stockwell (406-444-1640 or hstockwell@mt.gov) or Todd Everts (406-444-3747 or teverts@mt.gov) at least 5 working days before the meeting.

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