

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 staff

- 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**

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