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## MINUTES LOG

Work Group for Senate Joint Resolution 15  
Public Land Management Study

October 24, 2013

Room 172, Capitol Building  
Helena, Montana

Please note: These minutes provide abbreviated information about committee discussion, public testimony, action taken, and other activities. To the left of each section in these minutes is a time designation indicating the approximate amount of time in hours, minutes, and seconds that has elapsed since the start of the meeting. This time designation may be used to locate the referenced discussion on the audio or video recording of this meeting.

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Hard copies of the exhibits for this meeting are available upon request. Legislative Council policy requires a charge of 15 cents a page for copies of the document.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT VIA PHONE CONFERENCE**

SEN. JENNIFER FIELDER  
SEN. BRADLEY MAXON HAMLETT

REP. KERRY WHITE

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

REP. ED LIESER

### **STAFF PRESENT IN HELENA**

JOE KOLMAN, Legislative Environmental Analyst  
HELEN THIGPEN, Staff Attorney  
NADINE SPENCER, Secretary

## **AGENDA & VISITORS' LIST**

Agenda, [Attachment 1](#).  
Visitors' list, [Attachment 2](#).

## **COMMITTEE ACTION**

- Scheduled the next SJ 15 work group meeting for November 7, 2013.

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

00:00:01 Sen. Fielder called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. The secretary called the role, [Attachment 3](#).

00:00:32 Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD) introduced the visitors who were present.

## **AGENDA**

### **SJ 15 STUDY MATRIX**

00:00:48 Sen. Fielder asked the committee for revisions and suggestions to the SJ 15 study matrix started at the October 10 work group meeting, [Exhibit 1](#).

### **Workgroup suggestions and discussion**

00:01:38 Rep. White  
00:05:43 Sen. Fielder  
00:06:22 Rep. White  
00:07:07 Mr. Kolman  
00:07:20 Sen. Fielder  
00:07:42 Mr. Kolman  
00:07:49 Sen. Hamlett  
00:08:10 Sen. Fielder  
00:08:24 Mr. Kolman  
00:08:28 Sen. Hamlett  
00:08:44 Sen. Fielder  
00:08:57 Rep. White  
00:10:43 Sen. Fielder  
00:11:15 Sen. Hamlett  
00:11:37 Sen. Fielder  
00:11:42 Rep. White  
00:12:19 Mr. Kolman  
00:12:42 Sen. Hamlett  
00:13:39 Rep. White  
00:14:20 Sen. Fielder  
00:14:32 Rep. White

00:14:44 Sen. Fielder  
00:17:56 Rep. White  
00:18:11 Sen. Fielder  
00:19:26 Mr. Kolman  
00:19:55 John Hagenruber, U.S. Forest Service, Northern Region  
00:20:33 Sen. Fielder  
00:20:42 Mr. Kolman  
00:20:47 Sen. Fielder  
00:20:56 Mr. Kolman  
00:21:46 Mr. Hagenruber  
00:22:04 Sen. Fielder  
00:22:16 Mr. Hagenruber  
00:22:25 Sen. Hamlett  
00:22:56 Mr. Hagenruber  
00:23:38 Sen. Hamlett  
00:23:58 Sen. Fielder  
00:24:16 Rep. White  
00:25:46 Sen. Fielder  
00:26:19 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties  
00:26:52 Sen. Fielder  
00:27:09 Sen. Hamlett  
00:27:17 Sen. Fielder  
00:27:24 Rep. White  
00:27:34 Sen. Hamlett  
00:27:56 Rep. White  
00:27:59 Sen. Fielder  
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00:38:36 Sen. Hamlett  
00:39:45 Sen. Fielder  
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00:58:02 Mr. Kolman  
00:58:26 Sen. Fielder  
00:58:48 Rep. White  
00:59:01 Mr. Kolman  
00:59:14 Sen. Fielder  
01:03:04 Rep. White  
01:03:52 Sen. Fielder  
01:04:36 Sen. Hamlett  
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01:40:54 Sen. Hamlett  
01:41:11 Helen Thigpen, Staff Attorney, LSD  
01:42:13 Sen. Hamlett  
01:43:14 Ms. Thigpen  
01:43:35 Sen. Fielder  
01:43:49 Rep. White  
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01:46:01 Sen. Fielder  
01:46:10 Sen. Hamlett  
01:46:24 Mr. Kolman  
01:46:48 David Abrams, Public Affairs Specialist, Western Montana District, Bureau of Land Management.  
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01:51:10 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:52:01 Sen. Fielder scheduled the next work group meeting for November 7.  
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02:01:36 Sen. Fielder  
  
02:02:09 Sen. Fielder adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

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