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FINAL AGENDA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL
State Capitol, Room 317
July 9 and 10, 2014

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

Wednesday, July 9, 2014

- 8:30 a.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call**
Chairman Brenden
- Administrative Matters - Mr. Kolman**
- Adoption of EQC Minutes from May 2014 (Tab 1)
 - Interim Update
- 8:45 a.m. **Sage Grouse Management Plan Update**
- Tim Baker, Governor's Natural Resources Policy Advisor
 - FWP Director Jeff Hagener
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 9:15 am. **Bison Management Update**
- Christian Mackay, Department of Livestock
 - Jeff Hagener, Fish, Wildlife, & Parks
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 9:45 a.m. **Statutory Administrative Rule Review (Tab 2)**
- General overview – Ms. Thigpen
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 10:00 a.m. **BREAK**

- 10:15 a.m. **SJ 15 - Study of Federal Land Management** (Tab 3)
- SJ15 Work Group Report - Sen. Fielder, other members
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC
- 1:30 p.m. **Proposed Clean Water Act rule** (Tab 5)
- Overview - Karen Hamilton, EPA Region 8
 - Presentation - Julia McCarthy, EPA Region 8 (by phone)
 - State perspectives
 - John Tubbs, DNRC Director
 - Tracy Stone-Manning, DEQ Director
 - Jon Bennion, Attorney General's office
 - Public Comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 2:30 p.m. **Proposed Clean Air Act rules** (Tab 6)
- Tracy Stone-Manning, DEQ Director
 - Jon Bennion, Attorney General's office
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 3:15 p.m. **Disposal Standards for Oil Field Waste**
- Ed Thamke and John Arrigo, DEQ
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 3:30 p.m. BREAK
- 3:40 p.m. **HB 609 - Study of FWP Hunting and Fishing Licenses** (Tab 4)
- Fish and Wildlife Licensing and Funding Advisory Council update - Ms. Stockwell & Rep. Welborn
 - Public comment received on LFAC recommendations - Charlie Sperry, FWP
 - Review of bill draft and draft report - Ms. Stockwell
 - FWP Expenditures - Sue Daly, FWP
 - Public Comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 5:40 p.m. Recess for day

Thursday, July 10, 2014

- 8:00 a.m. **Cabin and Home Site Sales Update** (Tab 7)
- Shawn Thomas & John Grimm, DNRC
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 8:15 a.m. **Land Banking Report and Land Exchange Program Update** (Tab 7)
- Shawn Thomas & John Grimm, DNRC
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 8:30 a.m. **Brine Contamination on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation** (Tab 8)
- Overview: Joanna Thamke, USGS Project Manager
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 9:00 a.m. **Petroleum Tank Release Site Closure Update** (HB 613, 2011) (Tab 9)
- Closure Update: Rebecca Ridenour, DEQ
 - EPA Tier II Audit and DEQ Response: Mike Trombetta, DEQ
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 9:30 a.m. BREAK
- 9:45 a.m. **State Parks Board Update** (Tab 10)
- Chas Van Genderen, State Parks Division Administrator
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 10:15 a.m. **SJ 4 - Study of Virginia City, Nevada City, Reeder's Alley** (Tab 11)
- Ms. Kurtz
 - Public comment
 - Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
 - Committee action, if any
- 10:30 a.m. **Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee Update**
Ms. Nowakowski
- 10:35 a.m. **Water Policy Interim Committee Update** -- Mr. Mohr
- 10:40 a.m. **State Water Plan Update** (in packet)
- Tim Davis, Paul Azevedo, DNRC

- Public comment
- Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

11:00 a.m..

Fire Season Update

- Bob Harrington, State Forester, DNRC
- Public comment
- Questions/discussion/next steps -- EQC
- Committee action, if any

11:30 a.m.

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Other Business
Instructions to Staff
Adjourn

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