

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order:

CHAIRMAN GALEN HOLLENBAUGH, on January 12, 2009 at 10:02 A.M., in Room 317-C Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh, Chairman (D)
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Duane Ankney (R)
Sen. John Brenden (R)
Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: James Chamberlain, OBPP
Tyrrell Hibbard, Committee Secretary
Barbara Smith, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Conservation and Resource Development Division overview and decision packages. Montana Board of Oil and Gas overview and decision packages, 1/7/2009

Executive Action: None.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
Conservation and Resource Development Division

00:00:27 Ray Beck, Administrator, Department of Natural
Resources and Conservation's (DNRC) Conservation and
Resource Development Division (CARDD)

00:00:29 Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

EXHIBIT(jnh06a01)

00:20:54 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:21:02 Mr. Beck

EXHIBIT(jnh06a02)

00:31:35 Chairman Hollenbaugh

EXHIBIT(jnh06a03)

00:31:51 Rep. Ankney

00:32:20 Mr. Beck

00:32:25 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:32:32 Mr. Beck

00:32:41 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:32:47 Mr. Beck

00:32:59 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:33:22 Sen. Brenden

00:33:38 Mr. Beck

00:33:45 Sen. Brenden

00:34:20 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:34:33 Mr. Beck

00:35:25 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:35:31 Mr. Beck

00:35:59 Sen. Ripley

00:36:41 Mr. Beck

EXHIBIT(jnh06a04)

00:37:17 Rep. Jones

00:37:56 Mr. Beck

00:39:10 Rep. Jones

00:39:15 Mr. Beck

00:39:26 Chairman Hollenbaugh

DP 2301 CARDD Operating Adjustment

00:39:48 Mr. Beck

DP 2302 Montana Grass Conservation Commission

00:41:11 Mr. Beck

DP 2303 Coal Bed Methane CD Administration

00:42:00 Mr. Beck

00:43:14 Sen. Brenden

00:44:06 Mr. Beck
00:45:16 Sen. Ripley
00:45:20 Mr. Beck
00:45:39 Sen. Ripley
00:45:43 Mr. Beck

DP 2304 Drinking Water Loan Assistance

00:46:35 Mr. Beck

DP 2305 Regional Water Systems

00:47:44 Mr. Beck
00:49:10 Chairman Hollenbaugh
00:49:25 Mr. Beck
00:50:03 Sen. Ripley
00:50:18 Mr. Beck
00:50:25 Sen. Ripley
00:50:36 Mr. Beck
00:50:51 Chairman Hollenbaugh
00:51:05 Dan Keil, Chairman, North Central Montana Regional
Water Authority
00:52:09 Rep. Mehlhoff left hearing.
00:52:57 Sen. Ripley
00:53:16 Mr. Keil
00:53:22 Sen. Ripley
00:53:31 Mr. Beck
00:53:49 Sen. Ripley
00:54:00 Mr. Beck
00:54:38 Rep. Mehlhoff returned.

DP 2307 Conservation District Grants OTO

00:54:50 Mr. Beck

DP 2306 Montana Rural Water Systems--Bien/OTO

00:56:32 Ms. Smith

DP 2308 State Special Revenue Funding Switch

00:56:58 Mr. Beck
00:57:26 Mr. Chamberlain
00:57:40 Sen. Tropila
00:58:14 Mr. Beck
00:58:30 Sen. Tropila
00:58:38 Mr. Chamberlain
00:58:52 Sen. Tropila

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00:59:41 Mr. Chamberlain (OBPP)
00:59:47 Mr. Hollenbaugh
01:00:01 Ms. Smith
01:00:47 Chairman Hollenbaugh

DP 6101 Fixed Cost Workers Comp Management Program Allocation

01:01:08 Mr. Beck

Language Appropriation

01:01:15 Mr. Beck
01:02:15 Sen. Ripley
01:02:38 Mr. Beck
01:02:46 Ms. Smith (LFD)
01:02:51 Mr. Beck
01:03:02 Anna Miller, Chief, Financial Development Bureau, CARDD
01:04:22 Sen. Brenden
01:05:00 Mr. Beck
01:06:06 Ms. Smith
01:06:26 Mr. Beck
01:06:31 Ms. Smith
01:06:38 Mr. Beck
01:07:51 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Public Comment:

01:08:09 Steve Hedstrom, President, Montana Association of
Conservation Districts
01:11:39 Jeff Tiberi, Executive Director, Montana Association of
Conservation Districts
01:13:14 Shonny Nordlund, Coordinator, Montana Envirothon
Program; District Administrator, Fergus Conservation
District
01:14:32 Lane Nordlund, Student, Fergus High School
01:15:48 Chairman Hollenbaugh
01:15:58 Steve Wade, Montana Rural Water Systems, North Central
Regional Water

EXHIBIT(jnh06a05)

EXHIBIT(jnh06a06)

EXHIBIT(jnh06a07)

01:21:00 Chairman Hollenbaugh
01:21:06 Gayla Wortman, volunteer board member, Cascade County
Conservation District
01:23:11 Chairman Hollenbaugh
01:23:13 Vicki Marquis, Coordinator, Missouri River Conservation
Districts Council

EXHIBIT(jnh06a08)

EXHIBIT(jnh06a09)

01:26:52 Sen. Brenden
01:27:30 Ms. Marquis
01:27:57 Buzz Mattelin, Farmer, Roosevelt County. Supervisor,
Roosevelt County Conservation District
01:31:19 Stephen Granzow, Supervisor, Lewis and Clark County
Conservation District
01:32:20 Nicole McClain, Coordinator, Yellowstone River
Conservation District Council

EXHIBIT(jnh06a10)

01:39:16 Jane Holzer, Program Director, Montana Salinity Control
Association

EXHIBIT(jnh06a11)

01:41:08 Dan Keil, board member, Montana Rural Water Systems
01:42:54 Chairman Hollenbaugh
01:43:35 Sen. Tropila
01:44:27 Mary Sexton, Director, DNRC
01:46:40 Sen. Tropila
01:46:46 Chairman Hollenbaugh

01:47:05 Break
01:54:44 Reconvene

Montana Board of Oil and Gas

Public Comment:

01:55:10 Dave Galt, Executive Director, Montana Petroleum
Association
01:59:07 Willie Duffield, Executive Director, Montana
Association of Oil, Gas, and Coal Producing Counties
02:00:12 Sen. Tropila
02:00:28 Ms. Smith

02:00:51 Tom Richmond, Administrator, Oil and Gas Division,
DNRC; Petroleum Engineer, Montana Board of Oil and Gas
Conservation

EXHIBIT(jnh06a12)

02:16:13 Chairman Hollenbaugh

DP 2201 Oil and Gas Operating Adjustment

02:16:43 Mr. Richmond
02:18:23 Chairman Hollenbaugh
02:18:26 Mr. Richmond
02:18:55 Chairman Hollenbaugh
02:19:05 Mr. Richmond
02:20:01 Chairman Hollenbaugh

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02:20:18 Mr. Richmond
02:20:53 Chairman Hollenbaugh
02:21:10 Mr. Richmond

DP 2202 Board of Oil and Gas Office Equipment BIEN/OTO

02:22:04 Mr. Richmond

DP 2204 North American Prospect Exhibition OTO

02:23:09 Mr. Richmond
02:23:55 Sen. Brenden
02:24:10 Mr. Richmond

DP 2206 Underground Injection Control (UIC) Funding Change

02:24:27 Mr. Richmond
02:27:15 Chairman Hollenbaugh
02:27:23 Mr. Richmond
02:28:09 Rep. Mehlhoff
02:28:44 Mr. Richmond
02:29:26 Chairman Hollenbaugh

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ADJOURNMENT

02:29:44 Adjournment: 12:30 P.M.

TYRRELL HIBBARD, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([jnh06aad.pdf](#))