

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 20, 2009 at 8:01 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. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Robert Mehlhoff (D)
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: Fish, Wildlife, and Parks;
Fisheries Division, Enforcement
Division, Parks Division, Wildlife
Division; division overviews and
decision packages; 1/15/2009

Executive Action: None.

00:00:46 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Fisheries Division, FISH, WILDLIFE, & PARKS

00:01:25 Chris Hunter, Chief of Fisheries, Fish, Wildlife, and
Parks (FWP)--Division overview and decision packages.

EXHIBIT(jnh13a01)

00:21:17 Sen. Tropila

00:21:41 Mr. Hunter

00:26:43 Sen. Tropila

00:27:03 Mr. Hunter

DP 301 Invasive Species Program

00:27:22 Mr. Hunter

00:33:37 Sen. Ripley

00:34:17 Mr. Hunter

00:34:30 Sen. Ripley

00:34:38 Chairman Hollenbaugh

00:34:40 James Chamberlain, OBPP

00:35:10 Sen. Ripley

00:35:26 Mr. Chamberlain

00:35:45 Mr. Hunter

EXHIBIT(jnh13a02)

00:39:43 Sen. Brenden

00:39:51 Mr. Hunter

00:40:21 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:41:09 Mr. Hunter

DP 302 Private Lands Fishing Access

00:44:03 Mr. Hunter

00:46:15 Sen. Ripley

00:46:32 Mr. Hunter

00:46:36 Sen. Ripley

00:46:41 Mr. Hunter

00:46:56 Sen. Ripley

00:47:15 Sen. Tropila

00:48:00 Mr. Hunter

00:48:45 Sen. Tropila

00:49:25 Mr. Hunter

00:49:44 Charles Van Genderen, Acting Administrator, Parks
Division, FWP

00:51:09 Sen. Tropila

DP 304 Aircraft Rate Adjustment

00:51:27 Mr. Hunter

00:51:54 Chairman Hollenbaugh
00:51:56 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:52:31 Mr. Hunter
00:54:44 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Law Enforcement Division

00:55:27 Jim Kropp, Law Enforcement Chief, Law Enforcement
Division, FWP--Division overview and decision
packages.

EXHIBIT(jnh13a03)

DP 401 Warden Overtime

01:08:02 Mr. Kropp
01:10:14 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Public Comment:

01:10:39 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon
01:11:22 Chairman Hollenbaugh

01:11:28 Break
03:00:36 Reconvene, Sen. Tropila and Rep. Mehlhoff absent.

Parks Division

03:00:43 Mr. Van Genderen--Parks Division overview and decision
packages.

EXHIBIT(jnh13a04)

03:02:25 Sen. Tropila arrived.
03:04:10 Rep. Ankney
03:04:30 Mr. Van Genderen
03:05:00 Rep. Ankney
03:05:04 Mr. Van Genderen
03:08:57 Rep. Mehlhoff arrived.

DP 601 Parks Maintenance and Operations Staff

03:09:53 Mr. Van Genderen

DP 602 FAS Management and Maintenance Staff

03:11:32 Mr. Van Genderen
03:12:19 Sen. Tropila
03:13:15 Mr. Van Genderen
03:14:54 Sen. Tropila
03:15:03 Mr. Van Genderen

03:16:26 Sen. Tropila
03:17:20 Mr. Van Genderen
03:18:51 Sen. Ripley
03:19:23 Mr. Van Genderen
03:19:59 Sen. Ripley
03:20:50 Mr. Van Genderen
03:22:18 Sen. Brenden
03:24:09 Mr. Van Genderen
03:26:00 Sen. Tropila
03:26:09 Ms. Smith, (LFD)
03:26:19 Mr. Van Genderen
03:26:29 Sen. Tropila
03:26:37 Ms. Smith

DP 604 FAS Capital O&M from HB 5 to HB 2

03:27:12 Mr. Van Genderen
03:28:01 Sen. Ripley
03:28:32 Ms. Smith
03:28:46 Chairman Hollenbaugh
03:29:00 Mr. Chamberlain

DP 605 Restore Parks Base Operations

03:29:15 Mr. Van Genderen

DP 606 Restore FAS Base Operations

03:29:53 Mr. Van Genderen

DP 607 Parks Snowmobile Equipment--BIEN

03:30:15 Mr. Van Genderen
03:31:34 Sen. Tropila
03:32:07 Mr. Van Genderen
03:33:14 Sen. Tropila
03:33:43 Mr. Van Genderen
03:34:50 Sen. Brenden
03:35:03 Mr. Van Genderen
03:35:05 Sen. Brenden
03:35:14 Mr. Van Genderen
03:35:20 Sen. Brenden
03:35:25 Chris Smith, Deputy Director, FWP
03:36:58 Sen. Brenden
03:37:27 Mr. Smith
03:39:34 Chairman Hollenbaugh
03:39:48 Mr. Smith
03:39:55 Chairman Hollenbaugh

03:40:00 Rep. Jones left hearing.
03:40:28 Mr. Smith
03:41:34 Rep. Mehlhoff left hearing.
03:42:24 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Public Comment: _____ None.

Wildlife Division

03:43:28 Rep. Mehlhoff returned.
03:44:08 Ken McDonald, Administrator, Wildlife Division, FWP--
division overview and decision packages.

EXHIBIT (jnh13a05)

03:45:58 Sen. Ripley left hearing.
03:48:17 Sen. Ripley returned.
03:53:18 Rep. Ankney left hearing.
04:00:54 Rep. Ankney returned.

DP 501 State Wildlife Grants, Wildlife--BIEN/OTO

04:07:02 Mr. McDonald
04:07:51 Sen. Tropila
04:08:06 Mr. McDonald
04:08:48 Sen. Tropila
04:08:59 Mr. McDonald
04:09:20 Mr. Chamberlain

DP 502 Auction Accounts

04:09:44 Mr. McDonald
04:12:14 Rep. Mehlhoff
04:12:25 Mr. McDonald
04:12:39 Rep. Mehlhoff
04:12:43 Mr. McDonald

DP 503 Nongame Wildlife Funding

04:13:10 Mr. McDonald
04:14:14 Sen. Ripley
04:14:33 Mr. McDonald
04:16:41 Sen. Ripley
04:16:56 Mr. McDonald
04:17:00 Sen. Tropila
04:17:10 Mr. McDonald
04:17:12 Sen. Tropila
04:17:34 Mr. McDonald
04:17:37 Sen. Tropila
04:18:21 Mr. McDonald

DP 504 Migratory Bird Funding

04:19:21 Mr. McDonald

DP 505 Aircraft Rate Adjustment

04:21:31 Mr. McDonald
04:22:29 Chairman Hollenbaugh
04:22:32 Sen. Tropila
04:22:43 Mr. McDonald
04:25:22 Sen. Tropila
04:25:25 Sen. Brenden
04:26:27 Mr. Smith
04:27:42 Chairman Hollenbaugh

Public Comment:

04:27:49 Tim Burton, City Manager, City of Helena
04:32:42 Chairman Hollenbaugh
04:32:43 Sen. Brenden
04:33:23 Mr. Burton
04:35:13 Ms. Ellis
04:35:23 Sen. Brenden left hearing.
04:37:22 Chairman Hollenbaugh

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ADJOURNMENT

04:37:41 Adjournment: 12:39 A.M.

Tyrrell Hibbard, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([jnh13aad.pdf](#))