

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION**

**Call to Order:** Vice Chair Rick Ripley, on January 31, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 317C  
Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)  
Rep. Galen Hollenbaugh (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Duane Ankney, Chair (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Rinay Bender, Committee Secretary  
Greg DeWitt, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
James Chamberlain, Office of Budget and Program Planning (OBPP)

**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:**

Department of Transportation Overview

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00:00:02 Greg DeWitt, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)  
00:03:30 Chairman Ankney arrived at the meeting.

**Overview of Department of Transportation**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:05:12 Jim Lynch, Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)  
00:06:56 Rep. Cuffe left the meeting.  
00:15:55 Sen. Brenden left the meeting.

**EXHIBIT(jnh24a01)**

00:28:30 Rep. Cuffe returned to the meeting.  
00:32:58 Rep. Cuffe  
00:33:18 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:34:31 Sen. Keane  
00:34:43 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:35:00 Mr. DeWitt, LFD

**General Operations Division**

**Informational Testimony:**

00:36:09 Larry Flynn, General Operations Division, MDT

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:38:53 Sen. Ripley  
00:39:08 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:39:37 Sen. Ripley  
00:39:51 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:40:23 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:40:45 Sen. Keane  
00:41:00 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:41:23 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:41:49 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:42:26 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:43:14 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:43:31 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:44:40 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:44:54 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
00:45:40 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:46:32 Mr. Flynn, MDT  
00:47:08 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:47:24 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:47:42 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:48:29 Mr. DeWitt, LFD  
00:49:56 Sen. Keane  
00:51:03 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
00:51:47 Mr. DeWitt, LFD

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**Construction Program Division**

00:55:02 Dwane Kailey, Construction Program Division, MDT  
00:55:42 Sen. Ripley  
00:56:16 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
00:56:27 Sen. Ripley  
00:56:34 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
00:56:43 Sen. Keane  
00:56:54 Mr. Kailey, MDT

[EXHIBIT\(jnh24a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh24a03\)](#)

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:01:29 Sen. Keane  
01:01:51 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
01:01:56 Sen. Keane  
01:02:12 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
01:02:25 Sen. Ripley  
01:03:03 Sen. Ripley  
01:03:32 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
01:03:45 Sen. Brenden returned to the meeting.  
01:03:55 Sen. Keane  
01:04:17 Mr. Kailey, MDT  
01:04:45 Rep. Hollenbaugh  
01:05:06 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
01:06:39 Sen. Keane  
01:07:19 Mr. Lynch, MDT  
01:09:08 Chairman Ankney  
01:09:13 Sen. Brenden  
01:09:40 Chairman Ankney  
01:10:02 Sen. Brenden  
01:10:09 Chairman Ankney  
01:10:34 Rep. Hollenbaugh

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**ADJOURNMENT**

01:10:49      Chairman Ankney adjourned the meeting.

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Rinay Bender, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([inh24aad.pdf](#))