

## MINUTES

### MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

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

**Call to Order:** Chair Carl Glimm, on January 20, 2015 at 8:30 A.M., in Room 317C  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Rep. Carl Glimm, Chair (R)  
Sen. John Brenden, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Nancy Ballance (R)  
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)  
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)  
Sen. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)

**Members Excused:** None

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Stephen Forrest, Legislative Branch  
Rita Tenneson, Committee Secretary

**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 Environmental Quality report on Glendive oil spill; Department of Agriculture noxious weeds budget overview; Department of Agriculture noxious weeds overview

**Department of Environmental Quality Report on Glendive Oil Spill**

00:54:20 Eugene Pizzini, Department of Environmental Quality, (DEQ)  
00:54:34 Chairman Glimm  
00:54:40 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:00:57 Sen. Rosendale  
01:01:20 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:02:10 Sen. Rosendale  
01:02:17 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:02:21 Sen. Rosendale  
01:02:28 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:03:38 Sen. Rosendale  
01:03:52 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:04:23 Rep. Ballance  
01:04:45 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:05:43 Rep. Ellis  
01:06:09 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:07:44 Rep. Ellis  
01:08:00 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:08:36 Rep. Ellis  
01:08:51 Chairman Glimm  
01:09:15 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:10:13 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:10:40 Eugene Pizzini, DEQ  
01:11:36 Chairman Glimm  
01:11:43 Rep. Mehlhoff  
01:12:32 Chairman Glimm

**Department of Agriculture Noxious Weeds, Budget Overview**

01:12:49 Stephen Forrest, Legislative Finance Department, (LFD)  
01:18:51 Rep. Ballance  
01:19:08 Stephen Forrest, LFD

**Department of Agriculture Noxious Weeds, Department Overview**

01:19:21 Ron de Yong, Department Of Agriculture, (AGR)

**EXHIBIT(jnh12a01)**

01:30:38 Rep. Mehlhoff exited  
01:30:47 Rep. Ballance  
01:31:09 Ron de Yong, AGR  
01:33:07 Rep. Ballance  
01:33:19 Sen. Mehlhoff reentered  
01:33:33 Ron de Yong, AGR  
01:34:21 Rep. Ellis  
01:34:55 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
01:35:39 Ron de Yong, AGR  
01:35:57 Libbi Louchin, Department of Agriculture, (AGR)

**EXHIBIT(jnh12a02)**

01:41:54 Sen. Keane  
01:42:06 Libbi Louchin, AGR

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01:42:34 Sen. Keane  
01:42:45 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:42:52 Rep. Ballance  
01:43:13 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:43:25 Greg Ames, Department of Agriculture, (AGR)  
01:44:50 Stephen Forrest, LFD

**EXHIBIT(jnh12a03)**

01:46:42 Sen. Keane  
01:47:00 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
01:47:41 Sen. Brenden  
01:47:52 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
01:48:31 Sen. Keane  
01:48:42 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
01:49:54 Sen. Keane  
01:50:20 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:53:14 Sen. Brenden  
01:53:31 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:54:18 Rep. Ballance  
01:54:29 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:55:01 Sen. Brenden  
01:55:18 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:55:25 Sen. Brenden  
01:56:00 Rep. Ballance  
01:56:30 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:56:49 Chairman Glimm  
01:57:08 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:58:28 Chairman Glimm  
01:58:42 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
01:59:21 Chairman Glimm  
01:59:52 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:00:17 Sen. Brenden  
02:01:04 Libbi Louchin AGR  
02:02:39 Sen. Brenden  
02:02:52 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:04:00 Sen. Brenden  
02:04:31 Sen. Keane  
02:04:56 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:05:31 Sen. Keane  
02:05:40 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:05:52 Stephen Forrest, LFD

**EXHIBIT(jnh12a04)**

02:06:28 Rep. Ballance  
02:06:50 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:09:54 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
02:10:37 Sen. Brenden  
02:10:52 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
02:11:23 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:13:14 Sen. Rosendale  
02:13:23 Libbi Louchin, AGR

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02:13:48 Sen. Rosendale  
02:14:01 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:14:15 Greg Ames, AGR  
02:16:00 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:20:27 Sen. Rosendale  
02:20:59 Rep. Ballance  
02:21:56 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:22:10 Greg Ames, AGR  
02:25:56 Rep. Ballance  
02:26:11 Greg Ames, AGR  
02:27:19 Ron de Yong, AGR  
02:29:50 Sen. Keane  
02:30:42 Ron de Yong, AGR  
02:30:51 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:32:30 Sen. Keane  
02:32:42 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:33:05 Sen. Keane  
02:33:28 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:33:46 Sen. Keane  
02:33:56 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:34:47 Sen. Keane  
02:35:14 Sen. Brenden  
02:36:16 Sen. Rosendale  
02:36:45 Rep. Ballance  
02:36:58 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:38:46 Sen. Keane  
02:38:52 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
02:38:58 Rep. Mehlhoff  
02:39:35 Sen. Rosendale  
02:40:01 Rep. Ellis  
02:41:10 Ron de Yong, AGR  
02:43:47 Sen. Keane  
02:44:26 Ron de Yong, AGR  
02:44:53 Rep. Ballance  
02:45:49 Rep. Ellis  
02:46:17 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
02:46:59 Libbi Louchin, AGR

**EXHIBIT(jnh12a05)**

02:48:48 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
02:49:50 Sen. Keane  
02:50:06 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
02:50:27 Rep. Ellis  
02:51:11 Greg Ames, AGR  
02:53:37 Rep. Ellis  
02:54:15 Greg Ames, AGR  
02:55:39 Chairman Glimm

02:55:45 **Recess**

02:55:50 **Reconvened**  
02:55:51 Chairman Glimm  
03:09:05 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:09:53 Sen. Brenden  
03:10:06 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:10:15 Sen. Brenden  
03:10:22 Joel Clairmont, Department of Agriculture, (AGR)  
03:11:05 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:14:55 Rep. Ballance  
03:15:17 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:17:15 Sen. Keane  
03:17:21 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:17:44 Rep. Ballance  
03:17:54 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:18:49 Rep. Ballance  
03:19:00 Joe Willauer, Headwaters Resource Conservancy  
03:20:03 Rep. Ballance  
03:20:15 Sen. Rosendale  
03:21:02 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
03:21:35 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:22:44 Chairman Glimm  
03:22:51 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:23:35 Chairman Glimm  
03:23:48 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:24:11 Chairman Glimm  
03:24:18 Sen. Brenden  
03:24:51 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:24:56 Sen. Brenden  
03:25:11 Sen Keane  
03:25:26 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:25:52 Sen Keane  
03:25:57 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:26:15 Sen. Keane  
03:26:20 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:26:26 Sen. Keane  
03:26:45 Libbi Louchin, AGR  
03:27:43 Gerry Murphy, Office of Budget Program and Planning, (OBPP)  
03:28:32 Chairman Glimm

**Public Comment:**

03:28:35 Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union  
**EXHIBIT(jnh12a06)**  
03:34:53 Chelcie Cremer, Montana Farm Bureau Federation  
03:35:12 Rep. Dan Salomon, HD 93  
03:38:22 Maureen Connor, Montana Weed Control Association  
03:42:32 Gary Olsen, Harlowton Montana Weed Coordinator  
03:45:36 Brett Doney, Great Falls Montana Development Authority  
03:49:14 Joe Willauer, Headwaters Resource Conservatory and Development  
**EXHIBIT(jnh12a07)**

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03:52:14 Pam Converse, Pondera County Weed Coordinator  
03:52:22 Rep. Ballance exited  
03:56:15 Clayton Elliott, Montana Wilderness Association  
03:56:46 Scott Dunning, Broadwater County Weed Coordinator  
03:57:39 Jill Allen, Jefferson County Weed Coordinator  
03:58:17 Stephen Forrest, LFD  
03:59:44 Rep. Mehlhoff  
04:00:03 Chairman Glimm

**ADJOURNMENT**

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04:00:33

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Rita Tenneson, Secretary

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