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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 66th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chair Kenneth L. Holmlund, on January 28, 2019 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317C Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund, Chair (R)
Sen. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Joe Read (R)
Sen. Jeffrey W. Welborn (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Sen. Duane Ankney, Vice Chair (R)

Staff Present: Robert Miller, Legislative Branch
Hannah Winn, 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 Natural Resources and Conservation

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09:02:42 Chair Holmlund

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a01\)](#)

09:03:24 Vice Chair Ankney joined the meeting.

09:04:43 Rep. Keane

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a02\)](#)

09:07:15 Chair Holmlund

09:08:14 Rep. Keane

09:08:52 Chair Holmlund

Agency Presentations:

09:08:59 John Tubbs, Director, Montana Department of Natural Resources and
Conservation (DNRC)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a03\)](#)

09:13:56 Chair Holmlund

09:14:09 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:27:22 Sen. Ellis

09:28:21 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:29:16 Chair Holmlund

09:29:39 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:31:10 Chair Holmlund

09:31:15 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:31:23 Chair Holmlund

09:31:27 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:31:49 Rep. Keane

09:32:14 Director Tubbs, DNRC

09:32:51 Jim Halverson, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
(DNRC)

09:44:28 Rep. Keane

09:46:02 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:46:47 Rep. Keane

09:47:29 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:49:25 Rep. Keane

09:49:46 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:50:40 Chair Holmlund

09:50:43 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:51:32 Sen. Welborn

09:51:49 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:52:08 Chair Holmlund

09:52:18 Rep. Keane

09:52:28 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:53:20 Sen. Ellis

09:53:37 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:54:00 Sen. Ellis

09:54:22 Jim Halverson, DNRC

09:54:40 Chair Holmlund

09:54:52 Jim Halverson, DNRC

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09:58:22 Jim Halverson, DNRC
09:58:41 Chair Holmlund
09:58:52 Jim Halverson, DNRC
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10:00:30 Jim Halverson, DNRC
10:02:13 Chair Holmlund
10:02:22 Jim Halverson, DNRC
10:02:48 Rep. Keane
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10:04:42 Jim Halverson, DNRC
10:05:29 Sen. Ellis
10:05:52 Jim Halverson, DNRC
10:06:35 Chair Holmlund

10:06:46 Recessed
10:22:36 Reconvened

10:22:39 Chair Holmlund
10:23:36 Shawn Thomas, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
(DNRC)
EXHIBIT(jnh16a04)

10:27:42 Vice Chair Ankney returned to meeting from recess.
10:29:42 Sen. Ellis
10:30:35 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:31:56 Sen. Ellis
10:32:21 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:33:23 Chair Holmlund
10:33:39 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:34:21 Chair Holmlund
10:34:30 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:35:07 Chair Holmlund
10:35:20 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:37:31 Chair Holmlund
10:37:40 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:37:56 Chair Holmlund
10:38:30 Shawn Thomas, DNRC

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10:47:19 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
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10:48:17 Rep. Keane
10:48:28 Chair Holmlund
10:48:59 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:50:43 Chair Holmlund
10:51:28 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
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10:53:45 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:54:40 Chair Holmlund
10:55:23 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:55:48 Chair Holmlund
10:55:54 Sen. Ellis
10:56:46 Shawn Thomas, DNRC
10:58:00 Director Tubbs, DNRC
10:59:46 Chair Holmlund
11:00:15 Sonya Germann, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
(DNRC)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a06\)](#)

11:05:02 Chair Holmlund
11:05:32 Sen. Ellis
11:06:11 Rob Miller, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)
11:06:34 Sonya Germann, DNRC

[EXHIBIT\(jnh16a07\)](#)

11:14:31 Rep. Read
11:14:39 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:15:12 Vice Chair Ankney
11:15:24 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:15:36 Chair Holmlund
11:15:39 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:16:04 Chair Holmlund
11:16:19 Sen. Ellis
11:16:32 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:16:47 Rep. Keane
11:17:10 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:17:42 Director Tubbs, DNRC
11:19:46 Chair Holmlund
11:19:51 Sen. Ellis

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11:20:09 Rob Miller, LFD
11:20:36 Sen. Ellis

11:20:46 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ellis moved **TO PUT THE RATES IN THE DECISION PACKAGES.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

11:21:23 Rep. Read
11:21:47 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:22:47 Chair Holmlund
11:22:59 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:23:23 Chair Holmlund
11:23:30 Sonya Germann, DNRC
11:23:50 Chair Holmlund

Public Comment:

11:24:13 Jason Todhunter, Montana Logging Association (MLA)
11:26:17 Chair Holmlund
11:26:36 Dan McGowan, Montana Association of Conservation Districts (MACD)
11:27:42 Julia Altemus, Montana Wood Products Association (MWPA)
11:29:57 Clayton Elliott, Montana Trout Unlimited (MTU), Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
11:31:10 Al Christophersen, Self
11:32:49 Tim Burton, Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT)
11:37:11 Mark Peck, Lincoln County Commissioner
11:40:27 Mark Taylor, Idaho Forest Group
11:42:08 Rich Cowger, Montana State Fire Chiefs' Association (MSFCA)
11:44:18 Tom Kohley, Montana County Fire Wardens Association
11:47:22 Chair Holmlund

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:48:11

Hannah Winn, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jnh16aad.pdf](#))