

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG-RANGE PLANNING

Call to Order: Chair Mike Hopkins, on January 27, 2021 at 8:30 AM, in Room 317B
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Mike Hopkins, Chair (R)
Sen. Mike Cuffe, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)
Sen. Cary Smith (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Sue Vinton (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present:

Catherine Duncan, Legislative Fiscal Division
Jamie Bonilla, Committee Secretary
Heather Vande-Sandt, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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:

Work Session

08:33:32 Vice Chair Cuffe assumed the Chair
08:34:54 Catherine Duncan, Legislative Services Division (LFD)

[EXHIBIT\(jlh18a01\)](#)

08:35:44 Chair Cuffe

Long Range Planning Virtual Binder and Budget Presentation

08:36:17 Catherine Duncan, LFD

[EXHIBIT\(jlh18a02\)](#)

08:46:14 Rep. Hamilton
08:46:53 Catherine Duncan, LFD
08:51:29 Chair Cuffe
08:52:30 Rep. Hamilton
08:53:13 Catherine Duncan, LFD
08:54:27 Chair Cuffe
08:54:59 Catherine Duncan, LFD

[EXHIBIT\(jlh18a03\)](#)

08:55:36 Chair Cuffe
08:56:12: Catherine Duncan, LFD
08:57:55 Chair Cuffe
08:58:00 Catherine Duncan, LFD
09:00:11 Chair Cuffe
09:00:52 Catherine Duncan, LFD
09:02:18 Chair Cuffe

St. Mary's and Milk River Water Diversion Project Presentation

09:02:56 Chair Cuffe
09:03:15 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control

[EXHIBIT\(jlh18a04\)](#)

09:11:56 Chair Cuffe
09:12:03 Rep. Hamilton
09:12:19 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:13:00 Rep. Hamilton
09:13:08 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:13:21 Rep. Hamilton
09:13:37 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:14:23 Rep. Hamilton
09:14:25 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:14:41 Rep. Hamilton
09:14:46 Chair Cuffe
09:15:00 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:15:32 Chair Cuffe
09:15:48 Chris Gomer, Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)
09:17:33 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control

09:20:48 Chair Cuffe
09:21:05 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:23:27 Chair Cuffe
09:23:32 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:24:32 Chair Cuffe
09:24:36 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:24:52 Chris Gomer, BOR
09:26:14 Chair Cuffe
09:26:48 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:28:57 Chair Cuffe
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09:37:47 Chair Cuffe
09:37:55 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:39:39 Chris Gomer, BOR
09:40:32 Chair Cuffe
09:41:26 Chris Gomer, BOR
09:41:52 Chair Cuffe
09:42:12 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:42:33 Chairman Cuffe
09:42:44 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:42:59 Chair Cuffe
09:43:07 Jennifer Patrick, Milk River Irrigation Joint Board of Control
09:50:16 Chair Cuffe
09:50:40 Autumn Coleman, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
09:55:21 Anna Miller, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)
09:59:56 Chair Cuffe
10:00:22 Marko Manoukian, St. Mary's Rehabilitation Group
10:03:47 Chair Cuffe
10:04:10 Jeff Pattison, Milk River Watershed Alliance (MRWA)
10:07:34 Chair Cuffe

Discussion of Long Range Planning Subcommittee Programs

10:09:54 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:10:30 Chair Cuffe
10:11:44 Rep. Hamilton
10:12:41 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:13:35 Tatiana Gant, Montana Arts Council (MAC)
10:13:58 Rep. Hamilton
10:14:23 Tatiana Gant, MAC
10:15:56 Kristen Burgoyne, Montana Arts Council (MAC)
10:16:52 Rep. Hamilton
10:17:15 Chair Cuffe
10:17:37 Rep. Hamilton
10:18:21 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:21:09 Rep. Hamilton
10:21:49 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:22:03 Chair Cuffe
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10:23:37 Kristen Burgoyne, MAC
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10:28:24 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:28:52 Chair Cuffe
10:29:02 Rep. Hamilton
10:29:36 Catherine Duncan, LFD
10:30:03 Chair Cuffe
10:30:18 Tash Wisemiller, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
10:31:03 Rep. Hamilton
10:31:29 Tash Wisemiller, COM
10:31:50 Catherine Duncan, LFD
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10:47:14 Richard Knatterud, Montana Department of Commerce (COM)
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:23:04

Jamie Bonilla, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([jlh18aad.pdf](#))