

FINAL AGENDA

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL  
STUDY SUBCOMMITTEE**

State Capitol, Room 137

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Thursday, January 26, 2006

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE—SOME ITEMS MAY TAKE MORE OR LESS TIME THAN IS ALLOTTED.**

- 8:30 a.m.           **Call to Order - Roll Call** -- Rep. McNutt, Chair
- 8:35 a.m.           **Administrative Matters**
- 8:45 a.m.           **Trust Land Management Discussion**
1.     Trust Management 101  
      Dan McLean, Crowley Law Firm
  2.     University System Funding process  
      Greg Petesch, Legislative Services Division, Chief Legal Counsel
  3.     Morrill Act Lands  
      Mary Sexton, DNRC; Sheila Stearns, MUS; David Ewer, Budget Office; Carroll South, Board of Investments
    - a. Proposed resolution
    - b. Statutory cleanup
    - c. Board of Investments administrative costs
  4.     Other University Trusts
    - a. DNRC proposal
    - b. Montana University System Proposal
- 10:00 a.m.           **Break**
- 10:15 a.m.           **Trust Land Management, continued**
- 11:30 a.m.           **FWP Water Leasing Study**
  - a. subcommittee review and discussion
- 12:00 p.m.           **LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m.           **Surface Water/Ground Water**
  1. Surface water/ground water case law and statutes
  2. Update on specifics addressed at work group meetings
  3. Findings and recommendations to the subcommittee
  4. Direction to staff regarding work group findings and recommendations

- 2:00 p.m.            **St. Mary's Canal Project Update**  
John Tubbs, DNRC
- 2:30 p.m.            **Contract Timber Harvest Work Group Update**
- 2:45 p.m.            **Break**
- 3:00 p.m.            **Fire Work Group Update**
- 3:30 p.m.            **"Wading into Montana Water Rights" revision**  
Review, comment, and provide direction to staff.
- 3:45 p.m.            **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this  
agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC
- 4:00 p.m.            **Other Business**
- 4:15 p.m.            **Instructions to Staff**
- 4:30 p.m.            **Adjourn**