

FINAL AGENDA
WATER POLICY INTERIM COMMITTEE
Room 152 of the State Capitol
Tuesday, August 12, 2008 & Wednesday, August 13, 2008
AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

August 12, 2008

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Administrative Matters** - Chairman Elliott
 1. Roll Call
- 9:05 a.m. **Proposed water-related agency legislation**
 1. Roles of WPIC/EQC - Joe Kolman, staff
 2. DEQ
 3. DNRC
 4. Public Comment
 5. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 831 implementation update**
 1. Terri McLaughlin, DNRC
 2. Committee questions
 3. Public comment
 4. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. **Future of Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission**
 1. History and proposed sunset of RWRCC - Susan Cottingham, RWRCC
 2. John Carter - Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
 3. Committee questions
 4. Public comment
 5. Committee discussion and action, if any
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (on your own)
- 1:00 p.m. **Committee discussion of public comment**
 1. Bill draft overview - Joe Kolman, staff
 2. Committee questions and discussion
 3. Public comment
 4. Committee action, if any
- 3:00 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. **Committee discussion of public comment - Continued**
 1. Report overview - Joe Kolman, staff
 2. Committee questions and discussion
 3. Public comment
 4. Committee action, if any
- 4:45 p.m. **Public comment on any matter not contained in this agenda but is within the
WPIC jurisdiction.**
- 5:00 p.m. **WPIC Meeting Recess**
- 5:15 p.m. **WPIC/EQC Subcommittee meeting on future water policy committee options**

August 13, 2008 -- WPIC meeting resumes -- Room 152 State Capitol

8:00 a.m. Report from WPIC/EQC subcommittee

1. Sen. Elliott
2. Committee questions
3. Public comment
4. Committee discussion and action, if any

8:30 a.m. MBMG Case Study Draft

1. Overview - John Metesh
2. Committee discussion
3. Public comment
4. Committee action, if any

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Comment on Nicklin report (continued from June meeting)

1. Brief review - Abigail J. St. Lawrence, Montana Association of Realtors
2. Public comment
3. Committee discussion
4. Committee action, if any

11:45 p.m. Public Comment on any matter not contained in this agenda but is within the WPIC jurisdiction.

12:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)

1:00 p.m. Manhattan water issues

1. **Manhattan representatives**
2. Committee questions and discussion
3. Public comment
4. Committee action, if any

1:30 p.m. Committee discussion on draft report/legislation, if necessary

1. Directions to staff

4:00 p.m. Administrative Matters

1. WPIC budget overview - Joe Kolman, staff
2. September meeting

4:30 p.m. Adjourn.

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