

# FINAL AGENDA

## WATER POLICY INTERIM COMMITTEE

Room 172 of the State Capitol  
July 26 & 27, 2010

### AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

#### July 26, 2010

- 9:00 a.m.     **Call to Order** - Rep. Walt McNutt, chairman  
                  \* Roll Call  
                  \* Approval of draft May 2010 WPIC minutes
- 9:05 a.m.     **Implementation of phosphorus ban (SB200)**  
                  \* George Mathieus, DEQ  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any
- 9:20 a.m.     **Update on Nutrient Work Group (SB95)**  
                  \* George Mathieus, DEQ  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any
- 9:50 a.m.     **Clark Fork Basin Task Force update**  
                  \* Overview - Gerald Mueller  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any
- 10:20         **Break**
- 10:30 a.m.    **Current and future GWIP projects**  
                  \* Update on current projects - John Wheaton, MBMG  
                  \* Process for ranking future projects - John Metesh, MBMG  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any
- 11:30 a.m.    **Missouri River cottonwood regeneration**  
                  \* Introduction - Sen. Hamlett  
                  \* Vicki Marquis, Missouri River Conservation Districts Council  
                  \* BLM, BOR - Invited  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any
- Noon         **Lunch**
- 1 p.m.        **Overview of Lewis and Clark County septic inspection proposal**  
                  \* Frank Preskar, County Health Department  
                  \* Public comment  
                  \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

- 1:30 p.m. **Agency draft legislation**
- \* Overview - Joe Kolman
  - \* DEQ - Richard Opper, DNRC - Mary Sexton
  - \* Public comment
  - \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

2:00 p.m. **Draft WPIC report**

- \* Overview - Joe Kolman

**Bill Drafts**

LC9002 - water marketing

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

LC9004 - septic mixing zones

- \* Current laws and rules - Steve Kilbreath, DEQ

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

LC9005 - local government authority

- \* Public comment

**Break as needed**

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

LC9999 - attorney fees

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

Other Legislative Proposals

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

**Findings and Recommendations**

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

**Report Content**

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion, and action, if any

- 5 p.m. **Public comment on any matter within the WPIC jurisdiction.**

**Recess**

**Reconvene - July 27, 2010**

- 8:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Rep. Walt McNutt, chairman**

- \* Roll Call

- 8:05 a.m. **Update on navigable rivers - use of stream beds**

- \* Todd Everts, WPIC attorney

- \* Redraft of SB507 - Joe Kolman

- \* Public comment

- \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

- 9:00 a.m. **Water-related financial issues**

- \* Overview of Legislative Finance Committee work - Sen. Wanzenried

- \* Water-related finance issues - Barb Smith, LFD

- \* Public comment
- \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

10 a.m.        **Break**

10:15 a.m.    **Water right adjudication/ownership update**  
 \* Director Mary Sexton, DNRC  
 \* Judge Bruce Loble, Water Court  
 \* Public comment  
 \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

10:45 a.m.    **Water Right Adjudication Audit**  
 \* Angus Maciver, LAD  
 \* Director Mary Sexton, DNRC  
 \* Judge Bruce Loble, Water Court  
 \* Public comment  
 \* Committee questions, discussion and action, if any

**Noon            Lunch**

1:00 p.m.     **WPIC interim report - continued discussion**  
 \* Committee questions and discussion  
 \* Public comment  
 \* Suggestions for report or legislation, if necessary

2:30 p.m.     **Committee discussion other issues**  
 \* Identify areas where more information is needed  
 \* Revisions to work plan, if necessary.  
 \* Suggestions or proposals for report or legislation, if necessary  
 \* Public comment

3:00 p.m.     **Administrative matters**  
 \* Public comment on draft report July 30 - Aug. 30  
 \* Final WPIC meeting - Sept. 8-9, Helena

3:15 p.m.     **Other business**

3:30 p.m.     **Instructions to staff**

3:45 p.m.     **Public comment on any matter within the WPIC jurisdiction**

4:00 p.m.     **Adjourn**

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