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FINAL AGENDA  
**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL**  
State Capitol, Room 172  
January 11- 12, 2012

**AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

**Wednesday, January 11, 2012**

1:00 p.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call** - Chairman Keane

1:05 p.m. **Administrative Matters** - Mr. Kolman  
Approval of minutes from September and October 2011 meetings  
Budget review

1:10 p.m. **HJ 32 -- Study of state parks, outdoor recreation, and heritage resource programs**  
Introduction - Ms. Stockwell  
Panel Discussion  
National perspective

- John Keck, Wyoming/Montana State Coordinator, National Park Service
- Barbara Pahl, Vice President for Western Field Services, National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Ken Brink, Asst. Director of Park Field Operations, Colorado Division of Parks and Wildlife

Structural alternatives

- Chas Van Genderen, State Parks Administrator, FWP
- Marilyn Ross, Chair, Heritage Commission
- Denise King, Centralized Services Administrator, Historical Society
- Mary Sexton, Director, DNRC
- Jeri Duran, Promotions Division Administrator, Commerce

Public comment  
EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

3:00 p.m. **BREAK**

- 3:15 p.m.     **Eminent Domain**  
Overview and legal status update - Ms. Nowakowski and Ms. Thigpen  
Panel discussion
- Vermont Law School Professor John Echeverria - Eminent Domain and Development
  - Attorney Scott Hempling -- Eminent Domain and the Regulatory Environment
- Public comment  
EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any
- 4:50 p.m.     **Public Comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the EQC

**Recess for the day**

**Reconvene Thursday, January 12, 2012**

- 8:00 a.m.     **HB 142 -- Review of statutorily-required agency reports**  
Introduction - Mr. Kolman  
**Compliance and Enforcement Reports**  
8:05 a.m. **Department of Agriculture** -- Director Ron de Yong
- Public comment
  - EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any
- 8:30 a.m. **DNRC** -- Director Mary Sexton
- Public comment
  - EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any
- 9:00 a.m. **DEQ** -- John Arrigo and Judy Hanson
- Public comment
  - EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any
- 9:30 a.m. **Clark Fork River Basin Task Force report** (85-2-350, MCA)
- Gerald Mueller, task force facilitator
  - Public Comment
  - EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any
- 10:00 a.m.    **BREAK**
- 10:20 a.m.    **Update on Water Policy Interim Committee** - Mr. Kolman
- 10:30 a.m.    **Update on Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee and related studies** - Ms. Nowakowski
- 10:40 a.m.    **Executive Branch MEPA Study Update**
- DEQ Director Richard Opper

- Public Comment
- EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

11:00 a.m.     **Agency Oversight -- Petroleum Tank Release Cleanup Update**  
 Introduction -- Ms. Stockwell  
 SB 9 & HB 613 Implementation -- Sandi Olsen & Rebecca Ridenour, DEQ

- Public Comment
- EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

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

1:00 p.m.     **Administrative Rule Review**

- General overview – Ms. Thigpen
- Public comment
- EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

1:15 p.m.     **Agency Oversight -- Bison Translocation Update**

- DFWP Director Joe Maurier
- Public comment
- EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

1:30 p.m.     **Agency Oversight -- Wolf Management Update**

- DFWP Director Joe Maurier & DFWP Staff
  - litigation
  - hunting season
  - lethal control -- contracts and funding
  - implementation of HB 363 and SB 348
  - implementation of management plan
- Public comment
- EQC questions, discussion, and action, if any

(a 15-minute break will occur at approximately 3 p.m.)

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**Other Business**

**Instructions to Staff**

**Adjourn**

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