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## FINAL agenda Environmental Quality Council

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Agenda times are approximate

### Tuesday, Sept. 24

9 a.m. Call to order, roll call

- Chairman Gunderson

9:05 a.m. Meeting overview, required reports, environmental indicators

- Jason Mohr, legislative environmental analyst

9:20 a.m. HJ18 (Study of Smurfit Stone remediation)

- Overview: Jason Mohr
- Public comment
- Council questions, discussion, action

9:40 a.m. Agency legislation: Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

- Jeff Hindoien, chief legal counsel, FWP
- Public comment
- Council questions, discussion, action

10 a.m. Agency legislation: Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

- Sonja Nowakowski, director, DEQ
- Public comment
- Council questions, discussion, action

10:20 a.m. Agency legislation: Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

- Amanda Kaster, director, DNRC
- Public comment
- Council questions, discussion, action

10:40 a.m. Additional EQC legislation:

- Study of wildland firefighting operations, managements, and costs in Montana
  - Chairman Gunderson
- Providing that quail species are upland game birds
  - Chairman Gunderson
- Public comment
- Council questions, discussion, action

11 a.m. Directors' reports

- FWP
- DEQ
- DNRC
- Public comment
- Committee questions, discussion,

Noon Public comment on any issue within the jurisdiction of the EQC

12:15 p.m. Administrative matters

- Administrative rule review
  - Joe Carroll, council legal staff
- Propose areas of study for 2025-26 interim
- Evaluation of staff forms

12:30 p.m. Adjourn

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