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MINUTES LOG

Work Group for Senate Joint Resolution 15 Public Land Management Study

April 3, 2014

Room 172, State Capitol Building Helena, Montana

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT VIA PHONE CONFERENCE

SEN. JENNIFER FIELDER SEN. BRADLEY MAXON HAMLETT

REP. ED LIESER

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED

REP. KERRY WHITE

STAFF PRESENT IN HELENA

JOE KOLMAN, Legislative Environmental Analyst NADINE SPENCER, Secretary

AGENDA & VISITORS' LIST

Agenda, Attachment 1. Visitors' list, Attachment 2.

COMMITTEE ACTION

• Scheduled the next work group meeting for April 14.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

00:00:01 Sen. Fielder called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. The secretary called the roll, Attachment 3.

AGENDA

- 00:00:45 Sen. Fielder
- 00:01:45 Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
- 00:02:18 Sen. Fielder scheduled the next work group meeting for April 14.
- 00:02:42 Mr. Kolman
- 00:03:00 Sen. Fielder said she invited Mineral County to participate in the next work group meeting.
- 00:03:43 Rep. Lieser
- 00:03:57 Sen. Fielder
- 00:04:19 Mr. Kolman
- 00:04:27 Sen. Fielder
- 00:05:00 Sen. Fielder opened discussion on topics and solutions the work group wants to discuss at the next Environmental Quality Council meeting (EQC).
- 00:05:16 Rep. Lieser
- 00:05:46 Sen. Fielder
- 00:06:22 Rep. Lieser
- 00:16:46 Sen. Fielder
- 00:16:56 Rep. Lieser
- 00:21:38 Mr. Kolman
- 00:21:54 Rep. Lieser
- 00:26:17 Sen. Fielder
- 00:26:24 Sen. Hamlett
- 00:30:29 Sen. Fielder
- 00:31:04 Mr. Kolman
- 00:31:10 Sen. Fielder
- 00:31:35 Rep. Lieser
- 00:33:01 Sen. Fielder
- 00:33:28 Mr. Kolman
- 00:33:47 Rep. Lieser
- 00:34:04 Sen. Fielder
- 00:35:36 Rep. Lieser
- 00:36:55 Sen. Fielder
- 00:38:38 Rep. Lieser

- 00:39:11 Sen. Fielder
- 00:39:59 Rep. Lieser
- 00:40:38 Sen. Fielder asked about the good neighbor policy as it relates to the farm bill.
- 00:45:24 John Hagengruber, Montana Capital City Coordinator, USDA Forest Service (USFS), Region 1.
- 00:46:18 Rep. Lieser asked if transmission lines were included in priorities under the farm bill.
- 00:48:05 Mr. Hagengruber
- 00:48:28 Sen. Fielder
- 00:48:38 Sen. Hamlett
- 00:48:47 Mr. Kolman
- 00:49:01 Sen. Fielder
- 00:49:53 Rep. Lieser
- 00:50:38 Sen. Fielder
- 00:50:42 Rep. Lieser
- 00:51:05 Sen. Fielder
- 00:51:13 Rep. Lieser
- 00:51:49 Sen. Fielder
- 00:51:54 Rep. Lieser
- 00:52:04 Sen. Fielder
- 00:52:20 Rep. Lieser
- 00:53:31 Sen. Fielder
- 00:54:11 Rep. Lieser
- 00:54:22 Sen. Fielder
- 00:54:36 Rep. Lieser
- 00:54:41 Sen. Fielder
- 00:54:54 Rep. Lieser
- 00:56:31 Sen. Fielder asked how someone can get a permit for post and pole timber from the USFS.
- 00:59:25 Mr. Hagengruber
- 01:00:18 Sen. Fielder
- 01:02:20 Mr. Kolman
- 01:02:26 Sen. Fielder
- 01:16:06 Mr. Kolman
- 01:16:38 Sen. Fielder
- 01:20:00 Mr. Kolman
- 01:20:05 Sen. Fielder
- 01:21:37 Rep. Lieser
- 01:23:28 Sen. Fielder
- 01:23:45 Rep. Lieser
- 01:25:00 Sen. Fielder
- 01:25:22 Rep. Lieser
- 01:25:45 Sen. Fielder
- 01:27:22 Rep. Lieser
- 01:30:37 Sen. Fielder
- 01:38:57 Rep. Lieser
- 01:42:36 Sen. Fielder
- 01:44:18 Rep. Lieser
- 01:44:29 Sen. Fielder

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 Sen. Hamlett

 01:47:12
 Sen. Fielder

 01:48:48
 Sen. Hamlett

 01:50:21
 Sen. Fielder

 01:50:38
 Mr. Kolman

 01:50:44
 Sen. Fielder

Public comment

01:51:33 Mr. Hagengruber

Work group action

- 01:56:54 Sen. Fielder
- 01:58:12 Mr. Kolman
- 01:58:14 Sen. Fielder
- 01:58:17 Rep. Lieser
- 01:58:32 Sen. Fielder

02:00:05 Sen. Fielder adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

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