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## MINUTES LOG

Work Group for Senate Joint Resolution 15  
Public Land Management Study

November 7, 2014

Room 172, Capitol Building  
Helena, Montana

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### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT VIA PHONE CONFERENCE**

SEN. JENNIFER FIELDER  
SEN. BRADLEY MAXON HAMLETT

REP. ED LIESER  
REP. KERRY WHITE

### **STAFF PRESENT IN HELENA**

JOE KOLMAN, Legislative Environmental Analyst  
HELEN THIGPEN, Staff Attorney  
NADINE SPENCER, Secretary

## **AGENDA & VISITORS' LIST**

Agenda, [Attachment 1](#).  
Visitors' list, [Attachment 2](#).

## **COMMITTEE ACTION**

- Scheduled the next SJ 15 work group meetings for November 19, December 5, and 19, 2013 and January 2, 2014.

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

00:00:01 Sen. Fielder called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. The secretary called the roll, [Attachment 3](#).

## **AGENDA**

### **SJ 15 STUDY MATRIX**

#### **Review SJ 15 study matrix**

00:00:35 Sen. Fielder reviewed the SJ 15 study matrix, [Exhibit 1](#).  
00:02:37 Rep. White  
00:07:57 Rep. Lieser  
00:09:18 Sen. Fielder  
00:10:06 Sen. Hamlett  
00:11:23 Rep. White  
00:11:40 Sen. Hamlett  
00:13:09 Sen. Fielder

00:13:14 Mr. Joe Kolman, Legislative Environmental Analyst, Legislative Services Division (LSD) introduced the visitors who were present.

#### **Work group suggestions and discussion on study matrix**

00:13:53 Sen. Fielder  
00:15:41 Rep. Lieser  
00:21:39 Sen. Fielder  
00:22:32 Rep. Lieser  
00:22:44 Rep. White  
00:25:38 Rep. Lieser  
00:26:19 Sen. Fielder  
00:26:50 Rep. White  
00:27:54 Sen. Fielder  
00:29:16 Sen. Hamlett

00:31:04 Sen. Fielder  
00:32:58 Rep. Lieser  
00:33:57 Sen. Fielder  
00:34:12 Rep. Lieser  
00:34:34 Sen. Fielder  
00:35:21 Rep. Lieser  
00:35:48 Sen. Fielder  
00:37:59 Sen. Hamlett  
00:38:20 Sen. Fielder  
00:38:42 Sen. Hamlett  
00:39:04 Mr. Kolman  
00:39:32 Sen. Fielder  
00:41:46 Rep. Lieser  
00:44:36 Sen. Fielder  
00:44:56 Rep. Lieser  
00:45:40 Sen. Fielder  
00:45:59 Rep. White  
00:49:43 Rep. Lieser  
00:51:10 Rep. White  
00:52:14 Sen. Fielder  
00:54:19 Rep. White  
00:56:14 Sen. Fielder  
00:56:52 Mr. Kolman  
00:57:45 Sen. Fielder  
00:58:49 Rep. White  
00:59:21 Mr. Kolman  
00:59:49 Sen. Hamlett  
01:01:33 Rep. Lieser  
01:01:55 Sen. Hamlett  
01:04:13 Rep. Lieser  
01:05:45 Sen. Fielder  
01:07:45 Sen. Hamlett  
01:09:18 Sen. Fielder  
01:09:25 Rep. Lieser  
01:10:04 Rep. White  
01:11:31 Sen. Fielder  
01:11:37 Mr. John Hagengruber, USFS, Northern Region  
01:13:24 Rep. White  
01:17:49 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:18:49 Sen. Fielder  
01:19:30 Mr. Kolman  
01:19:43 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:20:10 Sen. Fielder  
01:21:57 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:22:56 Sen. Fielder  
01:24:47 Sen. Hamlett  
01:26:48 Sen. Fielder  
01:28:20 Rep. Lieser

01:28:27 Sen. Fielder  
01:31:07 Sen. Hamlett  
01:31:26 Sen. Fielder  
01:31:39 Mr. Kolman  
01:32:03 Sen. Fielder  
01:32:58 Rep. Lieser  
01:34:52 Sen. Fielder  
01:35:20 Rep. Lieser  
01:35:49 Sen. Fielder  
01:36:07 Rep. Lieser  
01:36:11 Sen. Fielder  
01:38:08 Rep. Lieser  
01:39:20 Sen. Fielder  
01:40:00 Rep. White

#### **Schedule next meeting**

01:42:52 Sen. Fielder  
01:44:12 Rep. Lieser  
01:44:35 Sen. Fielder  
01:44:40 Rep. Lieser  
01:44:44 Sen. Fielder  
01:44:57 Sen. Hamlett  
01:45:13 Sen. Fielder  
01:45:17 Rep. White  
01:45:34 Sen. Fielder scheduled the next work group meetings for November 19, December 5, and 19, 2013 and January 2, 2014.  
01:46:37 Rep. White  
01:46:45 Rep. Lieser  
01:46:51 Sen. Hamlett

#### **Public Comment**

01:47:18 Mr. Hagenruber  
01:50:20 Sen. Fielder

## **Discuss SJ 15 agenda items for January EQC meeting**

01:51:17 Mr. Kolman  
01:53:01 Sen. Fielder

### **Questions and further discussion**

01:53:10 Rep. White  
01:53:43 Shantil Siaperas, Montana Association of Counties  
01:53:55 Rep. White  
01:55:18 Ms. Siaperas  
01:55:56 Rep. White  
01:56:09 Ms. Siaperas  
01:56:16 Sen. Fielder  
01:57:04 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:57:09 Sen. Fielder  
01:57:15 Rep. White  
01:57:53 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:58:06 Rep. White  
01:59:04 Mr. Hagengruber  
01:59:28 Rep. White  
02:00:17 Mr. Hagengruber  
02:00:33 Sen. Fielder  
02:00:45 Mr. Hagengruber  
  
02:01:40 Sen. Fielder adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

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