

**\*\*\* REVISED \*\*\* Draft Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee Work Plan Decision Matrix**

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<b>The following policy topics have been suggested by ETIC members for evaluation and study.</b>						
<b>Study carbon sequestration</b>	Klock	<p><b>.75 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of option B</li> <li>Include review of other Western state's efforts to address carbon sequestration</li> <li>Evaluate carbon transport infrastructure in Montana and use of carbon to recharge old or marginal oil wells</li> <li>Hold one meeting in a major area where carbon sequestration may be utilized (Budget must be considered)</li> <li>Address 7 major elements addressed in the work plan in detail with a specific recommendation in the final report to address each issue</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft legislation to implement recommendations</li> <li>Final report with recommendations and alternatives</li> <li>Issue papers and summaries</li> </ul>	<p><b>.50 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate carbon transport infrastructure in Montana</li> <li>Analysis of areas of Montana with potential for carbon sequestration</li> <li>Examine surface rights vs. storage rights in terms of CO2</li> <li>Address all 7 major elements addressed in HB 828 at least a minimal level</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential legislation</li> <li>Final report with recommendations</li> <li>Issue papers and summary</li> </ul>	<p><b>.25 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No carbon transport infrastructure review</li> <li>Summary of other Western state's laws regarding issues identified</li> <li>Panel discussion from energy industry officials</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of Montana Climate Change Advisory Council findings</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	<b>.50 FTE</b>
<b>Study costs/savings of wind power development</b>	Ryan	<p><b>.75 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of option B</li> <li>Examine economic indicators, including policy and incentives</li> <li>Evaluate transmission issues, with review of FERC and ancillary matters</li> <li>Identify cost of integrating wind and alternatives for reducing costs</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final report with recommendations and alternatives</li> <li>Issue papers and summaries</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	<p><b>.25 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze existing studies that outline the issue</li> <li>Host panel discussion</li> <li>Evaluate Montana utility resource plans and wind development</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issue papers and summary</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	<p><b>.15 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summarize existing information on costs/savings of wind power: Particular attention to ancillary services</li> <li>Host panel discussion with wind power players in Montana</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff white paper</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	<b>.15 FTE</b>
<b>Evaluate Public Power</b>	Ryan		<p><b>.15 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of option C</li> <li>Identify state role</li> <li>Analyze regulatory framework</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff white paper</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	<p><b>.05 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review other public power in the West</li> <li>Track utility sale in Montana</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of findings</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	<b>.10 FTE</b>
<b>Water requirements for Coal Gasification and Liquefaction</b>	Wiseman		<p><b>.15 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze data on fresh water, wastewater usage as it relates to Montana proposals</li> <li>Identify state role, regulatory framework</li> <li>Panel discussion on Montana plants</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff white paper</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	<p><b>.05 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request/receive reports from EQC on water usage issue</li> <li>Panel discussion on Montana plants</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary of findings</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	<b>.03 FTE</b>

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Evaluate Montana's Energy Transmission Systems	Klock		<p><b>.15 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Map areas in Montana where energy projects are proposed and transmission lines</li> <li>Track planned transmission projects</li> <li>Identify use of incentives for development</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff white paper</li> <li>Map, summary</li> </ul>	<p><b>.05 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Track transmission line projects</li> <li>Receive reports from new DOC division</li> <li>Identify use of incentives for development</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief summary of findings</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	<b>.03 FTE</b>
Other Topics for Study						

**The following topics are statutory duties or obligations of the ETIC.**

Review Administrative Rules	Statute		<p><b>.03 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff provides copies of notices for adoption of rules</li> <li>Committee requests that it be copied on notification letters that the PSC or DPSR send to legislators who were sponsors of laws the agency is promulgating rules for</li> <li>Attorney monitors and provides synopses of proposed rules</li> </ul>	<p><b>.01 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff provides copies of notices for adoption of rules</li> <li>Committee requests that it be copied on notification letters that the PSC or DPSR send to legislators who were sponsors of laws the agency is promulgating rules for</li> </ul>		<b>.03 FTE</b>
Review agency legislation	Statute		<p><b>.05FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee reviews proposals from DPSR and PSC and decides if staff should draft legislation for preintroduction</li> </ul>			<b>.05 FTE</b>
Monitor PSC activity	Statute	<p><b>.05FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor or investigate aspects of PSC programs</li> </ul>	<p><b>.02 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor or investigate aspects of a program, if and when committee so chooses</li> </ul>			<b>.02 FTE</b>
Review utility USBP reports	Statute		<p><b>.05 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee reviews utility reports and decides if any comments on compliance are needed and if staff should assist</li> <li>Committee collects public comment on USB</li> </ul> <p><b>Deliverables:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Summary and report on public comments/discussion</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	<p><b>.02 FTE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Committee reviews utility reports and decides if any comments on compliance are needed and if staff should assist</li> </ul>		<b>.05 FTE</b>

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The following topics are <u>optional</u> and it is up to ETIC committee members whether or not pursue them.						
Telecom panel discussion	Wiseman			.02 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request panel discussion on fiber optics and infrastructure in Montana</li> <li>Potential legislation</li> </ul>	No Action	.01 FTE
Revise ETIC Publications		.15 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All of Option C</li> <li>Complete rewrite of <i>The Electricity Law Handbook</i></li> <li>ETIC reviews and approves updates</li> </ul>	.05 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide minimal updates to <i>The Electricity Law Handbook</i></li> <li>Work with DEQ on review of <i>Electricity Resources</i> booklet</li> <li>ETIC reviews and approves updates</li> </ul>	.02 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide minimal updates to <i>The Electricity Law Handbook</i></li> <li>ETIC reviews and approves updates</li> </ul>	No Action	.02 FTE
Total Available Resources						<u>1.00</u>

**FTE Equivalents**

1 Interim FTE = 16 months = 2720 hrs.

.05 FTE = 136 hrs = 17 days

0.1 FTE = 272 hrs = 34 days

.25 FTE = 680 hrs = 85 days

.50 FTE = 1360 hrs = 170 days

.75 FTE = 1530 hrs = 191 days

1 FTE = 2720 hrs = 340 days