

Montana Legislative Services Division

Legislative Environmental Policy Office

August 26, 2008

To: Water Policy Interim Committee From: Joe Kolman Regarding: Meeting Sept. 11-12

Greetings,

The Sept. 11 meeting starts at 9 a.m. in Room 152 of the Capitol. If necessary, the meeting will resume on Sept. 12 at 8 a.m.

Please note, this is the last scheduled meeting of the interim. The meeting will be televised.

Reading materials enclosed include:

- * An agenda
- * Minutes
- * Bill drafts revised from the last meeting: LC5007, LC5009, LC5012, LC 5014, LC5015, LC5020, and LC5021.
- * A revised report. The findings are included, but have not been changed. To save paper, the appendixes are not included. But, as requested, the public comment will be added to the final report.
 - * New bill draft requested. LC5022 implements required public water and sewer in subdivisions.
- * Other funding options for public water/sewer loan program. LC5023 is the same as LC5015, except that projects are funded by bonds and there is no revolving loan. LC5024 modifies the existing Renewable Resource Grant and Loan program to clarify that loans to public systems, including those owned by private parties, are eligible for loans. Also included is some material from the INTERCAP loan program, which would allow variable interest loans for public water and sewer systems.
- * A summary of the Economic Analysis of Irrigated Agriculture. As required by HB2, 2007 a final written report must be provided to the interim water policy committee by September 15, 2008.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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