

NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Tentative Agenda

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 30, 2008
Roughrider Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 9:00 a.m. Call to order
Roll call
Consideration of the minutes of the previous meeting

SEVERANCE OF HUNTING ACCESS STUDY

- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to severance of the right of access for hunting access from the surface estate
- 9:10 a.m. Comments by Mr. Roger Rostvet, Deputy Director, Game and Fish Department, concerning the bill draft
- 9:15 a.m. Committee discussion and comments by other interested persons in attendance concerning the bill draft

MISSOURI RIVER, MASTER MANUAL REVIEW, AND 1944 FLOOD CONTROL ACT REVIEW STUDY AND OTHER WATER-RELATED COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

- 9:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Dale Frink, State Engineer and Secretary, State Water Commission, concerning state indemnification for local water projects
- 9:45 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of information prepared by Mr. David L. Pope, Executive Director, Missouri River Association of States and Tribes, Topeka, Kansas, concerning congressional review of the 1944 Flood Control Act and other Missouri River issues
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Comments by Mr. Terry Steinwand, Director, Game and Fish Department, concerning the studies
- 10:30 a.m. Comments by Mr. Mike McEnroe, North Dakota Chapter, The Wildlife Society, concerning the studies
- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Thomas Graves, Executive Director, Mid-West Electric Consumers Association, Wheat Ridge, Colorado, concerning the increased cost of electricity to North Dakota consumers as a result of the United States Corps of Engineers' management of the Missouri River main stem system and other hydroelectric generation issues

DRAINAGE STUDY

- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by Mr. William Schuh, Water Appropriation Division, State Water Commission, of the *Potential Effects of Subsurface Drainage on Water Appropriation and the Beneficial Use of Water in North Dakota* report
- 12:00 noon Luncheon recess

OIL AND GAS

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation by Dr. Brad Bekkedahl, Williston, of the "Bakken Boom - A Perspective"

ONE-CALL EXCAVATION NOTICE SYSTEM CIVIL PENALTY STUDY

- 2:00 p.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a bill draft relating to enforcement of the one-call excavation notice system
- 2:10 p.m. Comments by Mr. Ron Ness, Chairman, North Dakota One Call, Fargo, concerning the bill draft
- 2:30 p.m. Comments by representatives of the Public Service Commission concerning the bill draft
- 2:45 p.m. Committee discussion and comments by other interested persons in attendance concerning the bill draft

HUNTER SAFETY EDUCATION REPORT

- 3:00 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Rostvet of a report regarding the Game and Fish Department's findings and recommendations resulting from a study of hunter safety education requirements and hunter safety for all ages of hunters
- 3:30 p.m. Staff directives
- 3:45 p.m. Adjourn

Committee Members

Senators Tim Flakoll (Chairman), Arden C. Anderson, Tom Fischer, Joel C. Heitkamp, Stanley W. Lyson
 Representatives Ole Aarsvold, Chuck Damschen, Duane L. DeKrey, Donald D. Dietrich, C. B. Haas, Lyle Hanson, Brenda Heller, Darrell D. Nottestad, Louis Pinkerton, Todd Porter