

## NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

## Tentative Agenda

**WATER TOPICS OVERVIEW COMMITTEE**

Wednesday and Thursday, August 24-25, 2016  
 Grand Ranch Room, Teddy's Residential Suites, 113 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE  
 Watford City, North Dakota

**All times are Central Daylight Time****Wednesday, August 24, 2016**

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order  
 Roll call  
 Consideration of the minutes of the June 14-15, 2016, meeting
- 10:05 a.m. Comments by the Chairman
- 10:10 a.m. Welcome to Watford City by Mr. Brent Sanford, Mayor
- 10:20 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Jaret Wirtz, Executive Director, Western Area Water Supply Authority, regarding a project construction report
- 10:45 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Mark Owan, Chairman, Western Area Water Supply, regarding Western Area Water Supply landowner policy issues
- 11:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Sanford regarding Watford City surge funding and future projects
- 11:30 a.m. Presentation by Ms. Linda Svihovec, Auditor/Treasurer, McKenzie County, regarding McKenzie County surge funding and future projects
- 11:45 a.m. Luncheon recess
- 12:45 p.m. Continuation of presentation by Ms. Svihovec
- 1:00 p.m. Presentation regarding an industrial sales report by Mr. Wirtz
- 1:30 p.m. Presentation by Ms. Karlene Fine, Executive Director and Secretary, Industrial Commission, regarding the Industrial Commission's *Western Area Water Supply Industrial Financial Report*
- 1:50 p.m. Presentation by Mr. Eric Hardmeyer, President, Bank of North Dakota, regarding a Bank of North Dakota update regarding repayment by the Western Area Water Supply of loans guaranteed by the state
- 2:15 p.m. Presentation by Senator Brad Bekkedahl, Vice President and Finance Commissioner, City of Williston City Commission, regarding City of Williston surge funding and future projects
- 2:45 p.m. Recess  
 Optional tour of Watford City

**Thursday, August 25, 2016**

- 9:00 a.m. Comments by the Chairman
- 9:05 a.m. Presentation by Mr. Steve Schneider, Director, Southwest Water Authority, regarding Southwest Water Authority projects
- 9:30 a.m. Committee discussion regarding the impact of flooding on roads in and around Devils Lake
- 9:45 a.m. Update by Mr. Mike McBride, Savage Services, regarding independent water providers
- 10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of bill drafts regarding eminent domain authority and committee discussion

11:30 a.m. Luncheon recess

12:30 p.m. Comments by interested persons regarding quick take eminent domain

1:30 p.m. Committee discussion and directives regarding bill drafts

2:30 p.m. Adjourn

#### **Committee Members**

Representatives: Jim Schmidt (Chairman), Bill Amerman, Dick Anderson, Tom Kading, Naomi Muscha, Jon O. Nelson, Marvin E. Nelson, Todd Porter, Mark Sanford, Roscoe Streyle, Greg Westlind, Denton Zubke

Senators: Jonathan Casper, Ray Holmberg, Gary A. Lee, Larry Luick, Larry J. Robinson, Donald Schaible, George Sinner, Ronald Sorvaag, Jessica Unruh

Staff Contact: Claire Ness, Counsel