

**MINUTES OF THE  
NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND ENV'L QUALITY  
SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, January 25, 2011  
Room 25 House Building, State Capitol Complex**

MEMBERS PRESENT:      Sen. David Hinkins, Chair  
                                 Rep. John Mathis, Chair  
                                 Rep. Keith Grover, Vice-Chair  
                                 Sen. Gene Davis  
                                 Sen. Ralph Okerlund  
                                 Sen. Dennis Stowell  
                                 Sen. Kevin Van Tassell  
                                 Rep. Roger Barrus  
                                 Rep. Susan Duckworth  
                                 Rep. Brad Galvez  
                                 Rep. Lee Perry  
                                 Rep. Dixon Pitcher  
                                 Rep. Stephen Sandstrom  
                                 Rep. Christine Watkins

MEMBERS ABSENT:      Sen. Margaret Dayton  
                                 Rep. Mike Noel

STAFF:                      Ivan Djambov, Fiscal Analyst  
                                 Mark Bleazard, Fiscal Analyst  
                                 Linda Service, Committee Secretary

**Note:**    A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Rep. Mathis called the meeting to order at 8:12 a.m.

**MOTION:**    Rep. Galvez moved to approve the minutes of January 11, 2011. The motion passed unanimously.

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS FOR NRAE AGENCIES**

Rep. Mathis introduced the handout "Options for Budget Adjustments" (see Appendix A). He asked committee members to express any concerns, questions, or comments with regard to the recommendations.

Amanda Smith, Executive Director, Department of Environmental Quality, noted that recommended budget adjustments will have an impact on the work of the Department in some capacity. She asked for flexibility within the budget.

Rep. Mathis discussed in detail "Options for Budget Adjustments" for the Department of Natural Resources, Parks, and Water Rights. He provided clarification for the Department of Agriculture and Food and asked Commissioner Blackham from the Department to respond to concerns with

respect to food safety issues connected to budget reductions. Commissioner Blackham then answered additional questions from committee members and introduced a handout detailing their corrections to the handout "Options for Eliminating the Structural Deficit" which was summarized in the previous meeting.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to restore \$413,000 cut from the GIP Administration and replace the cut of \$50,000 in the Ag Marketing area and replace that amount with a cut of \$20,000 instead. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Stowell, Sen. Van Tassell, and Rep. Pitcher were absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hinkins moved to vote all the discussed cut options as a block. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Stowell, Sen Van Tassell, and Rep. Pitcher were a absent for the vote.

Mike Styler, Director, Department of Natural Resources, responded to concerns regarding the proposed \$3,000,000 reduction to Parks.

**MOTION:** Sen. Davis moved to adopt the revised cut list totaling \$4,327,000. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Watkins absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Rep. Galvez moved to adjourn at 9:25 a.m. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Watkins absent for the vote.

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Sen. David Hinkins, Chair

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Rep. John Mathis, Chair

## OPTIONS FOR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS 7% LIST, FINAL

Line Item	General Fund Adjustments	RIF
Public Lands Reduction	(\$23,300)	
PLPCO Total	(23,300)	
All DEQ Units, Eliminate documentum General Fund	(84,600)	
DEQ Director's Office, Salt Lake County LHD	(65,500)	
DEQ Director's Office, Davis County LHD	(43,800)	
DEQ Director's Office, Utah County LHD	(48,400)	
DEQ Director's Office, Information Specialist	(48,200)	(1)
DEQ Director's Office, Web Development Spec	(74,500)	(1)
DEQ Director's Office, Purchasing Agent	(49,500)	(1)
AIR, ERR, RC, WQ, Financial Analyst/Accounting Tech	(180,000)	(4)
Air Quality, Information Specialist	(48,200)	(1)
Air Quality, Uinta Basin Air Initiative	69,700	
Environmental Response, Director Consolidation	(142,800)	(1)
Environmental Response, Support Staff to eliminated dir.	(32,100)	(1)
DEQ Total	(747,900)	(10)
Parks, Restructuring of Parks Operations	(3,000,000)	
Water Rights, Backfill Extension	(338,400)	
DNR Total	(2,661,600)	
Ag Admin Ag. Environmental Quality	(68,500)	(1)
Ag Admin GIP Admin	0	(2)
Ag Admin Current Expense	(110,000)	
Ag Admin Marketing	(20,000)	
Ag Admin Animal Industry Secretary	(46,000)	(2)
Ag Admin Reduce Farm Custom Slaughter Inspection	(91,000)	(2)
Ag Admin Safety/Weights & Measures Inspection	(153,300)	(2)
Ag Admin Plant Industry Staff	(114,500)	
Ag Admin Junior Livestock Show	(60,000)	(1)
Ag Admin Reg. Services Secretary	(43,000)	
Ag Admin Home Land Security	(120,400)	(1)
Utah State Fair Reduction of Pass-Through to the Corp.	(67,500)	
Ag Total	(\$894,200)	(11)

