



# AGENDA

## NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENT INTERIM COMMITTEE

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Wednesday, November 20, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. | Room 110 Senate Building

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### Approximate timeframe

- 8:30     **1. Committee Business**
- Approval of the meeting minutes for October 16, 2024
- 8:35     **2. Draft Legislation: Livestock Brand Board Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that extends the sunset date for the Livestock Brand Board.*
- Committee staff
  - Committee discussion/action
- 8:40     **3. Draft Legislation: Provo Canyon Resource Management Plan Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that extends the sunset date related to the Provo Canyon Resource Management Plan.*
- Committee staff
  - Committee discussion/action
- 8:45     **4. Draft Legislation: Mineral Surety Study**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that addresses surety issues related to mineral activities.*
- Committee staff
  - Committee discussion/action
- 8:50     **5. Draft Legislation: Forest Fire Resources Compact Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that enacts the Great Plains Interstate Fire Compact.*
- Committee staff
  - Committee discussion/action
- 8:55     **6. Draft Legislation: State Water Policy Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that amends the state water policy.*
- Committee staff
  - Committee discussion/action
- 9:00     **7. Draft Legislation: Hemp Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that amends provisions related to hemp products and regulation.*
- Rep. Dailey-Provost
  - Committee discussion/action



- 9:10      **8. Draft Legislation: State Campgrounds Amendments**  
*The committee will discuss draft legislation that addresses the designation of state campgrounds.*
- Rep. Steve Eliason
  - Committee discussion/action
- 9:20      **9. Utah Miners Hospital**  
*The committee will discuss the Utah Miners Hospital.*
- Brian Somers, Utah Mining Association
  - Utah Miners Hospital
  - Committee discussion/action
- 9:35      **10. Rocky Mountain Power**  
*The committee will hear a report on the options, challenges, and opportunities associated with potential corporate realignment.*
- Committee staff
  - Thomas Carter, Vice President of Government Affairs, Rocky Mountain Power
  - Committee discussion/action
- 9:50      **11. Chevron Deference Update**  
*The committee will hear updates on agency reviews of federal regulations impacted by the judicial doctrine of Chevron deference.*
- Committee staff
  - Kim Shelley, Executive Director, Department of Environmental Quality
  - Redge Johnson, Director, Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office
  - Committee discussion/action
- 10:00     **12. Wildfire Risk Assessment**  
*The committee will hear results of an analysis of wildfire risk in the wildland-urban interface area (as required by [Section 65A-8-203](#)).*
- Jamie Barnes, Director, Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands
  - Committee discussion/action
- 10:15     **13. Brine Mining Operations**  
*The committee will hear results of a study to evaluate regulation of brine mining operations (as required by [Section 40-8-24](#)).*
- Mick Thomas, Director, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
  - Committee discussion/action
- 10:30     **14. Integration of Existing Water Funds**  
*The committee will hear a report on the integration of funds used to finance water infrastructure projects into the planning and prioritization process created by 2024 General Session [H.B. 280](#).*
- Candice Hasenyager, Director, Division of Water Resources
  - Committee discussion/action



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**15. Water Optimization**

*The committee will hear a report on statewide legislative water optimization efforts.*

- Candice Hasenyager, Director, Division of Water Resources
- Committee discussion/action

11:00

**16. Other Items/Adjourn**