

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Larry Powell at 9:00 a.m. on January 27, 2011, in Room 783 in the Docking State Office Building.

All members were present except:

Representative Bob Brookens – Excused
Representative Michael Peterson - Excused

Committee staff present:

Sean Ostrow, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Raney Gilliland, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Michael Wales, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Kay Scarlett, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:

Earl Lewis, Assistant Director, Kansas Water Office
Don Paxon, Vice Chairman, Kansas Water Authority

Others attending:

See attached list.

Representative Hayzlett moved to approve the minutes of January 18, 19, and 20. Seconded by Representative Collins, the minutes were approved.

There were no committee bill introduction requests.

Earl Lewis, Assistant Director, Kansas Water Office, provided an overview of the structure of the Kansas Water Authority and their role to plan for the future needs for water in the state and to make legislative recommendations. Copies of the Kansas Water Authority's 2011 Annual Report to the Governor and Legislature (available from the Kansas Water Office) were distributed.

Don Paxon, Vice Chairman, Kansas Water Authority, highlighted key issues and accomplishments and said increased funding will be needed to maintain progress on water issues to meet the growing demands on our water resources. He reviewed the State Water Plan Resource Estimates and the State Water Plan Fund Recommendations FY 2010 – FY 2012. (Attachment 1) He outlined four policy issues the Kansas Water Authority would like addressed this legislative session:

- Creation of a dam safety and rehabilitation program within the State Conservation Commission and re-establishing the Dam Safety Inspection Program within the Division of Water Resources;
- Expand access to Kanopolis Reservoir;
- Ensure long-term availability of Water Transition Assistance Program; and
- Allow the Kansas Water Office to grant easements on behalf of the state for water related projects on navigable rivers in the state.

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m. The next meeting of the House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee is scheduled for February 1, 2011.

HOUSE AG & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE
GUEST LIST

DATE: JANUARY 27, 2011

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State Water Plan Fund: FY2010 - FY2012

Agency/Program	FY 2010 Actual	FY 2011 Approved	FY 2011 Governor's Rec.	FY 2012 Agency Request	FY2012 ELARF	FY 2012 Governor's Rec.
Department of Health and Environment						
Contamination Remediation	\$ 447,792	\$ 753,705	\$ 753,705	\$ 800,000	\$ -	\$ 800,000
TMDL Initiatives	\$ 281,475	\$ 166,594	\$ 203,948	\$ 240,000	\$ -	\$ 240,000
Local Environmental Protection Program	\$ 1,066,942	\$ 980,000	\$ 980,000	\$ 1,400,000	\$ -	\$ -
Nonpoint Source Program	\$ 157,400	\$ 245,617	\$ 269,568	\$ 378,618	\$ -	\$ 378,618
Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy	\$ 431,312	\$ 548,696	\$ 548,696	\$ 725,000	\$ -	\$ 725,000
Treecree Superfund	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total--Department of Health and Environment	\$ 2,384,921	\$ 3,044,612	\$ 3,105,917	\$ 3,543,618	\$ -	\$ 2,143,618
University of Kansas--Geological Survey	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ -	\$ 28,800
University of Kansas - Biological Survey						
Reservoir Assessment Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 440,000	\$ -
Kansas State University - Forest Service						
Riparian Forest Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ -
Department of Agriculture						
Interstate Water Issues	\$ 335,785	\$ 459,816	\$ 459,905	\$ 459,816	\$ -	\$ 459,816
Subbasin Water Resources Management	\$ 632,614	\$ 490,032	\$ 529,769	\$ 262,796	\$ -	\$ 262,796
Water Use	\$ 60,000	\$ 46,200	\$ 10,000	\$ 83,857	\$ -	\$ 83,857
Enhanced Water Management	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 441,788	\$ -	\$ 441,788
Total--Department of Agriculture	\$ 1,028,399	\$ 996,048	\$ 999,674	\$ 1,248,257	\$ -	\$ 1,248,257
State Conservation Commission						
Water Resources Cost Share	\$ 1,370,812	\$ 2,142,151	\$ 3,317,120	\$ 3,183,181	\$ -	\$ 2,142,151
Nonpoint Source Pollution Asst.	\$ 1,795,856	\$ 2,278,435	\$ 2,935,367	\$ 3,254,907	\$ -	\$ 2,278,435
Aid to Conservation Districts	\$ 2,266,905	\$ 2,113,796	\$ 2,113,796	\$ 2,266,962	\$ -	\$ 2,113,796
Watershed Dam Construction	\$ 690,030	\$ 691,975	\$ 728,642	\$ 988,535	\$ -	\$ 691,975
Water Quality Buffer Initiative	\$ 268,745	\$ 196,770	\$ 290,187	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 196,770
Riparian and Wetland Program	\$ 140,537	\$ 165,144	\$ 211,974	\$ 235,920	\$ -	\$ 165,144
Water Supply Restoration Program	\$ -	\$ 656,298	\$ 656,298	\$ 892,227	\$ -	\$ 656,298
Water Transition Assistance Program	\$ 85,411	\$ 600,984	\$ 565,248	\$ 837,425	\$ -	\$ 600,984
Conservation Reserve Enhance. (CREP)	\$ 93,917	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Streambank Stabilization	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -
Dam Safety/Rehabilitation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -
Total--Conservation Commission	\$ 6,712,213	\$ 8,845,553	\$ 10,818,632	\$ 11,959,157	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 8,845,553
Total--Department of Agriculture under FY 2012 Governor's Budget Recommendations	\$ 7,740,612	\$ 9,841,601	\$ 11,818,306	\$ 13,207,414	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 10,093,810
Kansas Water Office						
Assessment and Evaluation	\$ 443,285	\$ 490,000	\$ 554,715	\$ 625,000	\$ -	\$ 490,000
GIS Data Base Development	\$ 177,500	\$ 175,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ 175,000
MOU - Storage Operations and Maintenance	\$ 296,606	\$ 248,500	\$ 248,500	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ 286,100
Technical Assistance to Water Users	\$ 461,057	\$ 437,443	\$ 547,236	\$ 455,000	\$ -	\$ 437,443
Weather Stations	\$ 50,000	\$ 49,000	\$ 49,000	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ 49,000
Water Resource Education	\$ 42,000	\$ 38,500	\$ 43,501	\$ 70,000	\$ -	\$ 38,500
Weather Modification	\$ 156,200	\$ 168,000	\$ 168,000	\$ 240,000	\$ -	\$ 98,701
Wichita Aquifer Recharge Project	\$ 300,000	\$ 563,531	\$ 563,531	\$ 850,000	\$ -	\$ 652,141
Neosho River Basin Issues	\$ 360,373	\$ -	\$ 464,630	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Reservoir Sustainability	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200,365	\$ 1,230,000	\$ -
Reservoir Sustainability - WRAPs Implementation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,700,000	\$ -
Total--Kansas Water Office	\$ 2,287,021	\$ 2,169,974	\$ 2,814,113	\$ 3,160,365	\$ 2,930,000	\$ 2,226,885
Department of Wildlife and Parks						
Minimum Pool Agreement (Webster Reservoir)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000	\$ -
Stream (Biological) Monitoring	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ 40,000
Total--Department of Wildlife and Parks	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 28,800	\$ 40,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 40,000
Total State Water Plan Expenditures	\$ 12,470,154	\$ 15,113,787	\$ 17,795,936	\$ 19,980,197	\$ 5,700,000	\$ 14,533,113

State Water Plan Resource Estimate	FY 2010 Actual	FY 2011 Approved	FY 2011 Governor's Rec.	FY 2012 Estimate	FY2012 ELARF	FY 2012 Governor's Rec.
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,058,764	\$ 4,402,697	\$ 4,402,697	\$ 4,080,460	\$ -	\$ 888,622
Adjustments						
KPERS D&D Moratorium (transfer to SGF)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Released Encumbrances	2,209,963	-	-	-	-	-
CDWFF Transfer - 2010 House Amendment(SB572)	-	(300,000)	(285,849)	-	-	-
Transfer to Kansas Corporation Commission	(334,521)	(374,865)	(374,865)	(400,000)	-	(400,000)
Subtotal--Adjustments	\$ 1,875,442	\$ (674,865)	\$ (660,714)	\$ (400,000)	\$ -	\$ (400,000)
Revenues						
State General Fund Transfer	\$ -	\$ 1,348,245	\$ 1,348,245	\$ 6,000,000	\$ -	\$ -
Economic Development Fund Transfer	1,948,884	2,000,000	1,802,141	2,000,000	-	2,000,000
Fee Revenues	11,989,761	12,118,170	11,792,189	12,168,527	-	12,058,642
Expanded Lottery Act Revenues Fund					5,700,000	
Total Receipts	\$ 13,938,645	\$ 15,466,415	\$ 14,942,575	\$ 20,168,527	\$ 5,700,000	\$ 14,058,642
Total Available	\$ 16,872,851	\$ 19,194,247	\$ 18,684,558	\$ 23,848,987	\$ 5,700,000	\$ 14,547,264
Less: Expenditures	(12,470,154)	(15,113,787)	(17,795,936)	(19,980,197)	(5,700,000)	(14,533,113)
Ending Balance	\$ 4,402,697	\$ 4,080,460	\$ 888,622	\$ 3,868,790	\$ -	\$ 14,151

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Attachment 1