

Nov 13, 2014 1st Task Force mtg

Please do contribute to this brief overview.

The room was packed. A lot of suits, at least 50+ excluding the Task Force (TF).

phone connection was problematic

followed the agenda, followed open meeting law mostly, followed Robert's Rules mostly. Someone could check to see if the TF is required to follow open meeting law. the texting on cell phones might be addressed.

DPU and DOER presentations were straight forward.

Review of ground rules, TF framework and Consultant scope of work was fairly tedious, clearly some people were prepared and others were just following along. A few tended to dominate the discussion. Rob Rio, Amy Rabinowitz, Janet Besser, Camile Serna, David Colton lead most of the discussion. Kate McKeever ran most of the meeting with Meg Lusardi chiming in at the end to get things moving along. There was no time for public comments at the end. they finished about 5:30pm.

the most amazing was the striking out of all mention of H4185. very little discussion. done

the consultant will be chosen by DPU and DOER. DOER is paying for the consultant.

There are only 7-8 mtgs slated right now. More can be added.

The edited docs will be available on the DOER website.

the following meetings will be in a different room with better phone call in ability.

There will be a public hearing in the eastern and western parts of the state.

It certainly seems like they are not going to agree on one set of recommendations. at best 2 possible recommendations might be agreed upon. Rob Rio said it best, It is going to be up to the legislature to decide what to do.

I suggest that we start a campaign to Just raise the Cap and fix the managed growth sector of SREC II.

We have to educate citizens and legislators to act in 2015.

Thanks, claire