

MINUTES

House Appropriations Subcommittee on Environmental Quality

DATE: October 19, 2017

The DEQ House Appropriations Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Representative Whiteford at 9:00 a.m.

Roll was taken: Present – Representatives Whiteford, VanSingel, VerHeulen, Victory, Rabhi,
Hoadley
Absent – none
Excused – none

1. DEQ & DNR presentation: Oil, Gas, & Minerals in Michigan
Bill O'Neil, DNR
Hal Fitch, DEQ

DNR

- Economic impact
- Mineral extraction in Michigan
- Michigan's public lands
 - 4.6 million acres
- Public outdoor recreation
- DNR leasing responsibilities
 - Mineral leasing activity
 - Mineral leasing requirements
- Governor's extractive industry summit
 - February 2018

DEQ

- Oil and gas activity in Michigan
 - 60,000 oil and gas wells since 1925
 - 25% are on state land
- Purpose of DEQ oversight
- Protections
- Pollution prevention measures
- Compliance and enforcement
- Protection of mineral rights
- Records management and availability
- Oil and Gas Program funding
- Summary
- Questions

2. Michigan Oil and Gas Association presentation
Erin McDonough

- Production timeline
- Overview of energy sources in Michigan
- Oil and gas industry in Michigan
- Economic impact of industry in Michigan
- Private royalties
 - \$250 million
- Drilling completions by quarter
- Questions