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House Appropriations Subcommittee on Environmental Quality

DATE: March 14, 2017

The DEQ House Appropriations Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Representative Whiteford at 10:30 a.m.

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

1. DEQ presentation: Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance Division
Bryce Feighner, Drinking Water & Municipal Assistance Division director
Amy Epkey, Deputy Director, DEQ

Bryce Feighner and Amy Epkey gave a presentation on DEQ's Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance Division. Highlights of the presentation included:

Drinking Water & Municipal Assistance Division

- Division overview
 - Oversight of public water suppliers
 - Financial assistance for water infrastructure
 - Environmental health programs
- Employees
 - 130 total

City of Flint

- Water quality improvements
 - Sentinel sampling results
- Water testing
 - Residential
 - Schools
 - Sentinel sampling
- Community outreach & resident education
- Service line replacement
 - 800 lines replaced since March 2016
 - 6,000 lines targeted for replacement in 2017
- Flint appropriations past
- Flint appropriations FY 2017-18
- Moving forward
- Questions

2. Legislative cards

- a. Farah Hanley (DHHS) answered questions from subcommittee members about lead abatement, mitigation, and testing programs.

3. Adjourn

- a. Representative Whiteford adjourned the Subcommittee meeting at 11:17 am.