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6	TRANSCRIPT OF MEETING PROCEEDINGS
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11	Pursuant to notice duly given to all parties in
12	interest, this matter came on for meeting on
13	the 15th day of April, 2019, at the hour of 1:06 p.m.,
14	at the Governor's Mansion, Carriage House, 300 East 21st
15	Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming before the Wyoming Air Quality
16	Advisory Board, Timothy Brown, Chairman, presiding, with
17	Diana Hulme, present, and Douglas Vickrey in attendance by
18	telephone.
19	Ms. Nancy Vehr, Air Quality Administrator,
20	Ms. Amber Potts, Mr. Mike Morris, Mr. Darion Donnelly, and
21	Mr. Rob Leteff of the Air Quality Division, and Ms. Casey
22	Kurnath, Assistant Attorney General, were also in
23	attendance.
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	(Meeting proceedings commenced
3	1:06 p.m., April 15, 2019.)
4	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I'll call this meeting to
5	order right now.
6	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Thank you.
7	CHAIRMAN BROWN: It's you, me and Diana.
8	This is Tim.
9	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Yes, I assumed that.
10	So it's just the three of us? We get this all to
11	ourselves?
12	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yes, sir.
13	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Wow.
14	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Air Quality Advisory Board
15	is meeting April 15, 1 p.m., in the Carriage House,
16	Governor's Mansion, Cheyenne, Wyoming. And Air Quality
17	Division is requesting the Board's consideration on
18	proposed changes to the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and
19	Regulations, Chapter 5, Section 3.
20	So on the agenda we're going to ask for approval
21	of the last meeting minutes first. And then we're going to
22	go to rulemaking so we can take care of that in case you
23	have to leave.
24	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Okay. Appreciate
25	that.

- 1 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah. So first on
- 2 the -- did you want to do this and then introductions.
- MS. VEHR: If you wanted to do approval of
- 4 minutes, that would be great. Then when we get to new
- 5 business, I can do introductions, yes.
- 6 MR. BROWN: All right. So we need a motion
- 7 to approve the minutes from the last meeting.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: I can move that.
- 9 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Or any amendment, changes
- 10 or admissions.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah, I want to make a
- 12 note I have no issue with the content of the minutes, but
- 13 there were no page numbers on them and no date as to what
- 14 meeting they were from. So if I dropped them on the floor
- 15 and they got shuffled around, I wouldn't know what order
- 16 they were supposed to go in. I know that's not a normal
- 17 thing. Usually they are numbered and all of that, but this
- 18 particular set didn't have any of that. But other than
- 19 that --
- MR. DONNELLY: My mistake.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER HULME: -- no issues, so...
- 22 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Well, then I quess I
- 23 should change that motion to -- I so move with the -- with
- 24 the agenda changes -- with the minute changes.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Second.

- 1 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. It's been moved and
- 2 seconded to approve the minutes with the changes suggested.
- 3 All those in favor.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Aye.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Aye.
- 6 CHAIRMAN BROWN: All those -- aye.
- 7 All those opposed.
- 8 The minutes have been approved with the change --
- 9 changes proposed.
- 10 Okay. We're going to go to rulemaking now, Doug.
- BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Okay.
- 12 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Proposed changes to
- 13 Chapter 5, the National Emissions Standards, that's Section
- 14 3, MESHAPS for hazardous air pollutants -- or NESHAPs, I
- 15 guess.
- 16 MS. VEHR: This is Nancy from Air Quality
- 17 Division. And with me today are members of Team Rules.
- 18 And I'll introduce -- we'll go around and introduce Team
- 19 Rules, starting with Amber.
- 20 MS. POTTS: I'm Amber Potts with Team
- 21 Rules.
- 22 MR. MORRIS: Yeah, Mike Morris is here with
- 23 Team Rules.
- MR. LETEFF: And Rob Leteff here with Team
- 25 Rules.

- 1 MR. DONNELLY: And Darion Donnelly with
- 2 Team Rules.
- 3 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Is that a new name for the
- 4 team, or has it always been Team Rules?
- 5 MS. VEHR: It's a team name.
- MS. POTTS: Yeah.
- 7 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Oh, okay.
- 8 MS. POTTS: It's the SIP and rulemaking
- 9 development section.
- 10 MR. LETEFF: Sounds official.
- 11 MS. VEHR: Yeah, it's got a camaraderie
- 12 sound. Team Rules.
- And then also with us today we have new-to-the
- 14 Attorney General's Office, representing the Air Quality
- 15 Division -- yay -- Casey Kurnath.
- 16 And, Casey, if you want to just give a brief
- 17 introduction, that would be great.
- 18 MS. KURNATH: Yeah. This is Casey, and I
- 19 started at the AG's in September, and then started
- 20 representing Air Quality in December. Yeah, that's me.
- 21 MS. VEHR: And with that, we'll go ahead
- 22 and turn over the proposed changes on Chapter 5, Section 3,
- 23 to Amber and her team.
- MS. POTTS: Okay. I wanted to bring this
- 25 Chapter 5, Section 3 to the Board for proposed changes.

- 1 The only thing that we're anticipating changing is on page
- 2 5-40. We have a -- the 40 CFR Part 63, subpart XXXXXX, so
- 3 six Xs. This regulation has been on the books for federal
- 4 folks for a long time, since 2011. But we've just
- 5 currently been asked by a facility in Casper that does some
- 6 metal fabrication. They're really cranking up on the work,
- 7 which is good for our Wyoming economy. And they're bumping
- 8 up to the requirements that pushed them up into this
- 9 NESHAPs, or the National Emissions Standard for Hazardous
- 10 Air Pollutants. And they'd really like to deal with
- 11 Wyoming having primacy rather than the federal EPA
- 12 government, just for simplicity sake and to deal with our
- 13 field inspectors, direct engineers.
- So I can go through the XXXXXX subpart for you
- 15 really quick. It reduces air pollution from places that
- 16 are using cadmium, chromium, lead, magnesium and nickel
- 17 from nine different metal fabrication or finish sources.
- 18 So I believe this is a tank building, so that's
- 19 the fabrication part of this. And so really we're just
- 20 totally incorporating by reference. We're going to add the
- 21 XXXXXX to the NESHAPs that we take primacy for. And I can
- 22 kind of walk you through this process. So once you would
- 23 recommend these changes, we take them, of course, before
- 24 the EQC, the governor. You know, if he chooses to sign
- off, everything goes smooth. As soon as they're state

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- 1 effective with the governor's signature, NESHAPs Wyoming is
- 2 just able to submit a letter to EPA, and then we have -- as
- 3 soon as that letter goes out to -- from our office, Region
- 4 8 gets it, we have the primacy at that point in time. So
- 5 it's a really quick and streamlined process there.
- 6 And I did want to just -- rather than recommend
- 7 the Air Quality Board would recommend, we would like to
- 8 consult with you, and you can advise us on this path
- 9 forward. And then I don't -- you know, if there's any
- 10 other questions about what the XXXXXX comprises of, I can
- 11 certainly take a shot for you, but that is really on page
- 12 5-40, the -- the entirety of our changes this time.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: So, Amber, this is
- 14 Doug Vickrey.
- MS. POTTS: Yeah.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: So the federal folks
- 17 are willing to give anything up? Is that what -- is that
- 18 what I'm hearing?
- 19 MS. POTTS: Well, as long as -- you know,
- 20 the federal folks are very happy with how the federal
- 21 regulation is written and what comes out of that federal
- 22 regulation, what needs to be submitted, how it's submitted
- 23 and the requirements under that regulation. If the State
- 24 of Wyoming, because of our primacy, we can take that over
- 25 from them, as long as we're not changing anything. You

- 1 know, and we wouldn't be. It's just easier, I think, for
- 2 facilities in Wyoming to deal with the State of Wyoming
- 3 folks. You know, the people that they see once a year or
- 4 whenever they need help.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Right. No, I --
- MS. POTTS: Yeah.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: No, I understand
- 8 that. It just boggles my mind the federal people would
- 9 give anything up. So, anyway, go ahead. I'm sorry.
- 10 MS. POTTS: Yeah. So we have the ability
- 11 to take over the implementation of that regulation for
- 12 them.
- 13 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Do you see any downside
- 14 for us --
- MS. POTTS: No.
- 16 CHAIRMAN BROWN: -- State of Wyoming doing
- 17 this?
- 18 MS. POTTS: No. And, in fact, I believe
- 19 this one was -- this specific NESHAP was wrapped into our
- 20 regs a long time ago. And then in -- when we did a
- 21 streamlining kind of rules reduction, we went through every
- 22 facility within the state, and there was nothing that --
- 23 there wasn't a need for this regulation.
- 24 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- 25 MS. POTTS: So because that facility has

- 1 ramped up efforts, now they're falling into that -- this
- one, and so it's better for us to have the primacy on it.
- 3 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Is that facility a
- 5 major source?
- 6 MS. POTTS: I don't believe they are.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Okay.
- 8 MS. POTTS: You know, it may. If they're
- 9 tripping over into the NESHAPs, because HAPs is a little
- 10 bit different for Title V.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah. I didn't know
- 12 if they were major for something else for another --
- MS. POTTS: Right. Yeah. I'm not sure
- 14 about their emissions in that facility.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER HULME: I was just curious.
- 16 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. So this is probably
- 17 the only facility that would fall under this right now.
- 18 MS. POTTER: Yep. Within the state, yeah.
- 19 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Within the state of
- 20 Wyoming.
- MS. POTTS: Uh-huh.
- 22 CHAIRMAN BROWN: I agree. It would be
- 23 better for a Wyoming company to be under the auspices of
- 24 the State of Wyoming versus federal jurisdiction.
- BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yes.

1	Should I make a motion?
2	MS. VEHR: Just
3	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Any more conversation?
4	MS. VEHR: When Amber had pointed out the
5	words I know we followed a little bit different order
6	here the and I'll get to this legislative update, but
7	one of the changes that the legislature made was to Wyoming
8	Statute 35-11-114(b), and it was for the role of the
9	advisory boards.
10	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah.
11	MS. VEHR: So the old language was the
12	advisory board shall recommend to the Council through the
13	administrator and director, you know, the adoption of
14	rules. The new language is the advisory board shall
15	consult with and advise the administrator and director on
16	the adoption of rules. And what that does is aligns it
17	with the other changes that went through in terms of EQC so
18	that it recognizes the formal rulemaking process starts
19	with the at the EQC level for public notice. All of
20	this information there's no change in what we're still
21	going to still compile and send up through to the EQC. So
22	they'll see all the deliberations, if we got in the
23	comments, all of that advice and consult. So it doesn't
24	change that information going. It's just in terms of the
25	language "consult with and advise," so

- 1 BOARD MEMBER HULME: But does that mean --
- 2 to me, that means we don't need a quorum and we don't need
- 3 to vote.
- 4 MS. VEHR: For the board meeting, the Board
- 5 needs a quorum to take action and to provide -- if you
- 6 don't -- like in terms of you don't need to take a vote,
- 7 but we'll capture that information. If the Board -- it's
- 8 the Board's pleasure. If you want to take a vote and have
- 9 that be a part of it, but it still -- it's part of that --
- 10 it's not a recommendation.
- 11 CHAIRMAN BROWN: So we don't necessarily
- 12 have to vote on this?
- 13 MS. VEHR: No. That's why I wanted to let
- 14 you know that all the information will go. There may be
- 15 some times when the Board wants to have a certain I'll call
- 16 it action reflected, and then that's up to the Board in
- 17 terms of how you want to proceed. If it's this
- 18 information, we've got the court reporter that takes all
- 19 the information, anything we get from the public, and we'll
- 20 package all that and go forward.
- 21 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Oh, okay.
- 22 MS. VEHR: But that's why I wanted to point
- 23 that out.
- 24 CHAIRMAN BROWN: So basically you're
- 25 advising us, and we're consulting for the next phase where

- 1 you move this before the EQC.
- 2 MS. VEHR: Yep.
- 3 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Oh.
- 4 MS. VEHR: Is that --
- 5 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Okay, so Nancy --
- 7 Doug Vickrey again.
- 8 MS. VEHR: Yep.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: So does this change
- 10 the role of the term "advisory," then, in your mind or not?
- 11 MS. VEHR: No. If we -- if this Board
- 12 gives us advice, we listen to that advice. And that
- doesn't mean -- it's just like any other advice we receive,
- 14 that doesn't mean we necessarily follow through on each of
- 15 the points raised.
- BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Okay.
- 17 MS. VEHR: But we consider that in the
- 18 whole. It's just to recognize with rulemaking, the E --
- 19 most state agencies, they do their own rulemaking. So like
- 20 Department of Health does its own rulemaking. It doesn't
- 21 go to somebody else. But with Department of Environmental
- 22 Quality, the formal rulemaking body that adopts is the
- 23 Environmental Quality Council. And so this is -- if this
- 24 Board tells us, hey, we think you guys need to rework this
- 25 rule, or you forgot something -- just like on the comments

- 1 you were just making on this particular rule about having a
- 2 rule that has someone in industry and not having to deal
- 3 with EPA down in Denver, they can deal with somebody in the
- 4 state. That's important information to us. Because you --
- 5 you all represent different perspectives. And so that --
- 6 we want to have as full information as possible going
- 7 forward. So it's just before it was -- by taking votes, it
- 8 was not quite clear on exactly what this language in terms
- 9 of recommendation --
- 10 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. So we won't vote on
- 11 rulemaking. We just vote on like approval of minutes and
- 12 adjourning the meeting basically.
- 13 MS. VEHR: Yeah. If the Board decided,
- 14 hey, you want to vote --
- 15 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah.
- 16 MS. VEHR: -- that's your prerogative on
- 17 how you want to handle things. It doesn't change the
- 18 process. We're still going to take that advice and move it
- 19 forward.
- 20 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Right. So even if we, for
- 21 some reason, disagree, it would be in the record.
- 22 MS. VEHR: It would be in the record.
- 23 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- 24 MS. VEHR: And that may be important to
- 25 some people, and --

25 a quorum.

1	BOARD MEMBER HULME: All right.
2	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah. All right.
3	MS. VEHR: There's no dissent that I hear,
4	so
5	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I have no dissent. So I
6	believe, speaking for the Board, we advise that you proceed
7	with this rulemaking with EQC.
8	MS. VEHR: Thank you.
9	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I'm not going to call for
10	a vote.
11	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah. I won't either.
12	MS. VEHR: We appreciate your input in
13	that.
14	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Absolutely.
15	MS. POTTS: Thank you.
16	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I guess we're on to new
17	business.
18	MS. VEHR: Okay.
19	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. So, yeah, I guess
20	we
21	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah, that's it.
22	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I guess we didn't
23	necessarily need a quorum. I see what you're saying.

BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right. We didn't need

- 1 MS. VEHR: For the board meeting itself you
- 2 do need a quorum to do business in front of the Board,
- 3 otherwise we can't conduct business.
- 4 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- 5 MS. VEHR: So it's one of those having the
- 6 rule and getting that advice, if there's not a quorum for
- 7 it, then there wasn't a meeting.
- 8 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Gotcha.
- 9 MS. VEHR: It's I'll call it one of those
- 10 nuance --
- 11 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Uh-huh.
- 12 MS. VEHR: So appreciate having a quorum
- 13 for the rulemaking.
- 14 For new business, I've just got some general
- 15 updates, and I didn't -- don't know if anybody else has
- 16 anything else they -- they want to bring up, but I'll go
- 17 through the updates, and if it does -- this is a dialogue.
- 18 I didn't do a PowerPoint presentation or anything.
- 19 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- 20 MS. VEHR: The legislature, just wanted to
- 21 give the -- there were two laws that affected the
- 22 Environmental Quality Council directly. And one was House
- 23 Bill 32. And it's codified in Chapter 71 of the session
- 24 laws. It went into effect on February 19th, and it amended
- 25 EQC staffing procedures, duties, and then provided this

- 1 clarification here for advisory boards. So it's not
- 2 specific to one board. It's all of those boards.
- 3 There was another -- House Bill 111, and that is
- 4 codified in session laws Chapter 133. And it also became
- 5 effective immediately on February 27, 2019. And it amended
- 6 the EQC voting procedures from a majority on the council to
- 7 clarify that four members are a quorum and matters must be
- 8 decided by a majority vote of those members participating
- 9 $\,$ in the matter. So those were the two items of legislation
- 10 that I would say impacted this particular board.
- 11 There were other legislative items that affected
- 12 certain divisions within the Department of Environmental
- 13 Quality, and then some other legislative items that
- 14 affected state agencies in general. One of those would be
- 15 dealing with public records and requests.
- 16 On the second item I wanted to do was -- on our
- 17 programs, go through and introduce Casey from the AG's
- 18 Office. We already took care of that.
- Team Rules, just to let you know what we're
- 20 working on right now and kind of what we see occupying our
- 21 time until the next board meeting. So on Team Rules, very,
- 22 very busy with regional haze. And I'm going to just tee it
- 23 up, since they're here, they can fill you in on some of the
- 24 details.
- 25 But it sounds not like a lot of work when you

- just say they're working on regional haze and you don't
- 2 hear the details. When you hear the details on how much
- 3 time this is consuming, it kind of puts the meat on those
- 4 bones.
- 5 Also had a number of comments this year on I
- 6 think right around the time of the last board meeting was
- 7 what's called ACE rule. It's the Clean Power Plan I'll
- 8 call it replacement rule, but they call it ACE, is the
- 9 acronym. We had 111(b), which is also the New Source
- 10 Performance Standard for new sources, power plants.
- 11 Comments on exceptional events, the
- 12 infrastructure, state implementation plans, and we've had a
- 13 couple of updates on those that the team will give. And
- 14 then the Mercury and Air Toxic Standards.
- 15 So with -- they're also working on Air Quality
- 16 Awareness Week activities. So with that, I'll turn it over
- 17 to Team Rules. If you want to touch base on --
- MS. POTTS: Sure.
- 19 MS. VEHR: -- regional haze and some of the
- 20 other rules.
- 21 MS. POTTS: So for regional haze, this is a
- 22 national program that they're -- the driver is visibility
- 23 in Class I areas throughout the nation. So when folks go
- 24 and visit the Grand Canyon, they can see for a good long
- 25 distance, or when they go to see Yellowstone, they can see

- 1 it. So there are two pieces that we're dealing with in
- 2 regional haze. The first round, which we all thought we
- 3 were done with, you know, just had some little things to
- 4 tie up, is coming back up, because some of those facilities
- 5 in the first round are changing how they do business, and
- 6 it's just the changing economy and how they're trying to
- 7 stay up to date with things and keep, you know, working in
- 8 Wyoming here.
- 9 So we have been touching base in round 1. This
- 10 will be the next -- well, we'll have a couple of meetings
- 11 in July for that reason, updating that round 1 Regional
- 12 Haze State Implementation Plan or the SIP.
- 13 Then we have to look forward for the regional
- 14 haze round 2. This is continued visibility -- well, not --
- 15 visibility betterment, I quess. You know, we want to keep
- 16 driving down to as clean as we possibly can. So there's a
- 17 slope that started way back in round 1, and we have to make
- 18 continual progress to natural conditions. That is supposed
- 19 to end at 2064. So we've got many of these rounds going to
- 20 be happening. They're 10-year rounds. So, you know, my
- 21 team and I, we may get two rounds. And then the next Team
- 22 Rules may get three and four. So we need to be looking
- 23 forward, getting some visibility emission reductions, so
- 24 we're working towards that.
- I wanted to also update the infrastructure SIP.

- 1 This is for the 2008 ozone infrastructure SIP. So a little
- 2 bit of history. We submitted that SIP in 2014 to EPA. And
- 3 they liked pieces of it, and they didn't like other pieces
- 4 of it. The portion that they did not like -- and they did
- 5 not approve was a portion that Wyoming as a state, within
- 6 the borders of Wyoming, we impacted our neighbors. They
- 7 call it the good neighbor or the transport piece.
- 8 There was a monitor in south Denver that they --
- 9 they had -- Wyoming sources were impacting that at a larger
- 10 amount than we, you know, was the limit. The threshold
- 11 there. So we went back to the drawing board and really
- 12 took a look at everything that -- you know, all the good
- work, all the emission reductions that have actually
- 14 happened within the state of Wyoming since we submitted
- 15 that in 2014. And good news. A couple weeks ago -- or was
- 16 it last week?
- 17 MR. LETEFF: Last week.
- 18 MS. POTTS: We got approval for that 2008
- 19 infrastructure SIP completely. So that's really good news,
- 20 a lot of work was put into that. And then we have the
- 21 infrastructure SIP for the 2015 ozone standard that's
- 22 currently sitting with EPA as well. So we did apply all
- 23 the lessons learned from the 2008 disapproval to the 2015,
- 24 you know, hopeful approval.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HULME: So, Amber, that was --

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that -- EPA's concern was for ozone --MS. POTTER: Uh-huh. 2 3 BOARD MEMBER HULME: -- intrusion from 4 Wyoming to Colorado? 5 MS. POTTS: Uh-huh. 6 BOARD MEMBER HULME: By what source? 7 MS. POTTS: Well, they take it as a state. 8 So everything within the state of Wyoming --BOARD MEMBER HULME: Uh-huh. 9 10 MS. POTTS: -- came down and impacted. 11 BOARD MEMBER HULME: In Denver or 12 something? MS. POTTS: Yeah. 13 14 BOARD MEMBER HULME: How could you tell? I mean, they --15 MS. POTTER: That was the tricky part, 16 right? We really had to --17 18 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Even when the prevailing weather goes from --19 20 BOARD MEMBER HULME: I mean, what major 21 ozone --22 CHAIRMAN BROWN: -- southwest to --

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THE REPORTER: One at a time.

CHAIRMAN BROWN: Well, we're both

BOARD MEMBER HULME: -- sources do we have?

- 1 complaining.
- 2 MS. POTTER: Ozone is interesting because
- 3 it's a secondary pollutant.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right.
- 5 MS. POTTS: It's not just emitted by a
- 6 facility.
- 7 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Right.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right.
- 9 MS. POTTS: That's another thing. All this
- 10 chemistry that happens from the state line down to Denver
- 11 is quite tricky. And they have -- they do have models.
- 12 And that was a big --
- BOARD MEMBER HULME: I mean, I know our
- 14 natural background's higher, but enough to really show a
- 15 difference?
- MS. POTTER: It was.
- 17 CHAIRMAN BROWN: An impact from us, is
- 18 that --
- 19 MS. VEHR: So they had -- on the national
- 20 models that Amber was talking about, EPA had come out with
- 21 a rule called Cross-State Air Pollution Rule in Casper, or
- 22 CSAPR. And they did nationwide modeling. And you start on
- 23 one coast and end on one coast and you're looking across
- 24 the whole nation. And so it becomes in complex terrain
- 25 more challenging for modeling.

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1 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right. MS. VEHR: And one of the -- as they were 2 developing these models, EPA had represented that they 3 4 would be working with western states. This rule only 5 applies to the eastern half of the U.S. And so that's when they did these model results, were on a rule that only 6 applied to the eastern half. But they took the model 7 results and made some I'll call them scientific conclusions 8 about sources in the rest of the nation -- or locations in 9 10 the rest of the nation. And that was part of the dialogue, 11 that western states wanted to be -- continue to have EPA work to improve model performance for unique mountain and 12 13 western states areas. BOARD MEMBER HULME: So that was the 14 15 remedy, was model improvement? Or are we being asked to take more mitigating steps in order -- is that what made 16 them approve this finally, was we're mitigating somehow 17 18 more? What --MS. VEHR: So we looked at the -- we were 19 not going to ask our sources when we felt there was a 20 21 challenge with the model. What we did was the team looked 22 to all of what had been factored into the model to see if they had accounted for all of the emission reductions, and 23

came up with additional reductions that had not been

accounted for in the model. And so they reran, did some

- 1 model work for 2023, I believe it was, and that showed that
- 2 we did not have that level of impact at that particular
- 3 monitor.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HULME: We appeared them
- 5 through model improvements. Better inputs into the model,
- 6 or at least --
- 7 MR. LETEFF: I'd say we gave them
- 8 additional information from what was in the original SIP
- 9 that we had submitted. And they ran their own models that
- 10 updated the information. And they did it for the national
- 11 modeling with I would say improved inputs.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right.
- 13 MR. LETEFF: So we weren't asked to
- 14 actually run anything ourselves. They ran their own model
- 15 and updated it.
- 16 CHAIRMAN BROWN: It was just data
- 17 refinement, basically.
- MR. LETEFF: Right. Exactly.
- MS. POTTS: And some other things. They
- 20 call it a weight of evidence approach. So we really gave
- 21 them a lot to think about. We did some back trajectories,
- 22 forward trajectories. You know, so we gave them a lot of
- 23 different pieces that could help them make this decision
- 24 that Wyoming was A-OK for the infrastructure SIP.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Got it.

- 1 MS. VEHR: But that's a really good point.
- 2 We don't want to ask our sources to do --
- 3 CHAIRMAN BROWN: No. I agree.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Uh-huh.
- 5 MS. VEHR: -- something that may not
- 6 address the situation that exists or doesn't exist.
- 7 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Thank you for your
- 9 clarification.
- 10 MS. VEHR: Uh-huh. And Air Quality
- 11 Awareness Week, I know, Mike, you're working to kind of get
- 12 that with the team.
- MR. MORRIS: So, yeah, we certainly in the
- 14 past have done all sorts of different outreach, educational
- 15 enrichment, advocacy campaigns. This year we kind of
- 16 decided we wanted to narrow the scope a little bit to
- 17 address, you know, wild fires, smoke management, prescribed
- 18 fire burning, and sort of the accompanying, you know, air
- 19 quality impacts that arise from these, and how the general
- 20 public can, you know, be informed. And certainly the steps
- 21 they can take if they encounter wildfire smoke, what, you
- 22 know, potential health effects are.
- 23 So we're anticipating trying to line up sort of a
- 24 cross-agency campaign potentially with the Department of
- 25 Health, probably in the -- it will be in the month of May.

- 1 We probably won't confine it to a specific week. It might
- 2 be once a week we'll have recurring messaging that goes
- 3 out. But we do want to try to have sort of a -- what would
- 4 you say -- applied approach that informs the general public
- 5 about, you know, air quality conditions that we've seen
- 6 recur over the last few summers, because unfortunately this
- 7 has been something in the western United States that more
- 8 and more we're, you know, growing accustomed to dealing
- 9 with, and it does impact people's, you know, day-to-day
- 10 health.
- 11 So that's sort of the direction we're planning on
- 12 taking things. We just met on it this morning, actually.
- 13 So we're sort of putting some ideas into motion, and then I
- 14 think it will probably be, you know, generated pretty
- 15 quickly. And, yeah, we're hoping to reach folks again
- 16 through a couple of different messaging channels and get
- 17 the word out.
- 18 Also, on our prescribed fire, you know, burning
- 19 regulations too, because we have had some instances where
- 20 folks probably around the state -- you know, we want to
- 21 have reminders of what our regulations are for prescribed
- 22 fires and ensure that people are taking the right steps
- 23 when they're doing, you know, slash piles and things like
- 24 that. So...
- 25 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Do you have any

- 1 jurisdiction over BLM prescribed burning on federal lands?
- 2 MS. VEHR: For smoke management? Yep, we
- 3 do --
- 4 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Oh, you do.
- 5 MS. VEHR: -- with the rules that -- I
- 6 think it was about 2000 -- it was the first round of
- 7 regional haze, actually, when we adopted smoke management
- 8 rules.
- 9 CHAIRMAN MILLER: Oh, okay.
- 10 MS. VEHR: In about 2003, 2004, so -- but
- 11 that's always a good time to take a look, because things
- 12 change.
- 13 Amber's been engaged through WESTAR with
- 14 prescribed burn. That's because it's an issue across the
- 15 west.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER HULME: When is Air Quality
- 17 Awareness Week?
- 18 MR. MORRIS: Well, on a national level it
- 19 is the week that coincides -- it starts at the very end of
- 20 April and goes into the first part of May. So that's -- I
- 21 can't remember what the date range is. Like April 20th to
- 22 May 3rd or something like. But, you know, we have tried to
- 23 expand it out towards the entire month of May just because
- 24 we feel as though it's more conducive of us reaching, you
- 25 know, communities and things. You know, given our size of

- 1 staff and everything, it's kind of tough to fit outreach
- 2 activities all into one week sometimes.
- But, yeah, you know, we figured we'd try to take
- 4 a different bit of direction with it this year, and, you
- 5 know, we're still trying to evolve some different avenues
- 6 of it.
- 7 MS. VEHR: It's -- one of the days for EPA
- 8 is on smoke, because it's on national they developed a
- 9 smoke sense app for phones that people can use to try to
- 10 collect some more information, so...
- 11 MR. MORRIS: And, actually, Diana, in the
- 12 future too -- I mean, we -- this year we are probably late
- 13 in the game, but we do like the notion of getting out to --
- 14 whether it's public schools -- but, also, you know, we've
- 15 tried to coordinate at the university from time to time,
- 16 and it's tough because that tends to be around finals time.
- BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah.
- 18 MR. MORRIS: But certainly at another time
- 19 of the year it would be interesting sometime to have some
- 20 sort of outreach capacity about air quality or
- 21 environmental quality at the university, whether it's in
- 22 the union or something. So, you know, it's an avenue that
- 23 probably we'd be interested -- we've done stuff at LCCC,
- 24 because it's easier for us, you know, directly here. But,
- 25 you know, that's something down the road might be

- 1 interesting to explore, I think, so...
- 2 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Maybe a little subtle
- 3 recruitment strategy for you guys too. Students looking
- 4 for jobs, so --
- 5 MS. VEHR: Yeah, we could time it for that.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Absolutely. I think
- 7 that would be great.
- 8 MS. VEHR: Well, thank you.
- 9 So that's kinds of what Team Rules is working on
- 10 coming up.
- 11 On New Source Review and construction permitting,
- 12 we've got 12 staff. Right now we've got three vacancies.
- 13 And we have one supervisor. A supervisor went from New
- 14 Source Review to Title V, operating permit program. So we
- 15 kept a person in-house, just a different job. And then we
- 16 have two permit writers. I think they concluded interviews
- 17 for one of those positions, and I'm not sure when the other
- one concludes interviews. Other than that, their workload
- 19 is, you know, essentially unchanged from what the last
- 20 discussion was. They're -- from a couple years ago, I
- 21 think there's a little bit more on larger-scale facilities,
- 22 maybe now doing -- looking at some of the capital-type
- 23 projects that they wouldn't have looked at previously. But
- 24 that's kind of in the infancy stages.
- 25 The other thing we're looking at in terms of our

- 1 New Source Review, we put in place -- our presumptive best
- 2 available control technology guidance changes went final in
- 3 December, and became effective, I think, on the 1st of
- 4 February. And so those sources that it now applies to I
- 5 think are in the application phase. So that's out there.
- And then we're -- I'm still looking at some
- 7 streamlining with general permitting from the sand and
- 8 gravel industry. It expressed an interest. So that --
- 9 once we get that process going, then we'll have a rule come
- 10 through that authorizes the Air Quality Division to do
- 11 general permitting, and then we'll have an actual general
- 12 permit that would come through.
- And then also working on what I call access or
- 14 trespass issues so that we can have language in our
- 15 permitting applications so that facilities provide that up
- 16 front instead of it being -- the burden falling to our
- 17 inspectors at the back end to ensure access. That's
- 18 basically construction permitting we've got.
- On Title V, we have eight staff right now. We're
- 20 sitting at about 114 facilities. And that will fluctuate
- 21 plus or minus 5 or 10, depending on -- more of them are
- 22 getting out, which is good, because that means emissions
- 23 are down. That will become a challenge for operating
- 24 permit programs, because they have to charge fees based on
- 25 the tons of emissions. We do a report this year -- so in

- 1 October -- to the Joint Minerals committee. So we're
- 2 starting to take a look at those fees and emissions to see
- 3 if there's any changes that would need to be made.
- 4 We have one vacancy. A permit writer for Title
- 5 V. And I think they've concluded interviews for that. So
- 6 we'll get that one filled. And then they're just actively
- 7 working on their applications and reducing their permit
- 8 backlog. Some of the facilities in the permit backlog,
- 9 these are renewal applications. And I think the oldest one
- 10 is about 12 years old. So it takes a lot more work effort
- 11 to address something of that age, but they are plowing
- 12 forward and working on those. So we're really proud that
- 13 that -- some of the changes I think we brought before the
- 14 Board before on some of the streamlining we're starting to
- 15 see paid dividends.
- 16 On compliance and enforcement we have 26 staff.
- 17 And we had -- one of the new things that came out was from
- 18 our impact team, our online
- 19 Inventory Monitoring Permitting and Compliance Tracking.
- 20 They launched what's called the inspection tool feature.
- 21 So this allows the inspectors, as information gets put into
- 22 our impact system, like compliance reports, it's a tool
- 23 that gathers up all the information to help on the front
- 24 end of doing an inspection, and then on the back end of
- 25 writing the report, so that we can turn those inspections

- 1 around much more quickly, because it's not a manual
- 2 separately written report each time.
- 3 And so we think -- this just got launched, oh, I
- 4 want to say it was late December, early January. And I can
- 5 tell you from the turnaround time from when the inspectors
- 6 are doing the reports to when it actually goes through the
- 7 signature process has been reduced by several weeks. And a
- 8 lot of it has to do -- when we have district offices
- 9 located, they had to mail the reports in, and if there was
- 10 a change, it got mailed back, so now it's all online, so
- 11 it's more real time.
- 12 We think that will help with compliance efforts
- 13 at facilities, as well as enforcement efforts. And so it
- 14 will probably be one of those longer-term items that we can
- 15 look back and hopefully see an improvement in some
- 16 compliance efforts.
- 17 The asbestos is also part of our compliance and
- 18 enforcement. And they've been working on inspections.
- 19 They do about 45 full inspections per year. There's a
- 20 staff of two, and they travel all over the state providing
- 21 compliance assistance and then working on rule revisions.
- 22 And the rule revisions have been in place -- I know Rob's
- 23 been part of that teamworking. They did a stakeholder
- 24 meeting and had wanted to clarify rules. And they're going
- 25 through the -- the Team's turned it over to me now to take

- 1 a look at. And so we hope to bring that at the -- probably
- 2 the third Air Quality Advisory Board meeting this year.
- 3 On District 5, which is in Lander -- we have two
- 4 district offices in Lander, Districts 4 and 5. District 5
- 5 in Lander has two folks that are staffed in the Jonah and
- 6 Pinedale office in Pinedale. And this year was an active
- 7 ozone season during the winter. The two staff that are in
- 8 the JIO-PAPO office were busy out in the field making
- 9 observations and doing inspections. We've got cameras now.
- 10 The FLIR camera, the infrared cameras, and doing lots of
- 11 work.
- 12 We've talked internally at DEQ to see about
- 13 getting a third inspector out at that Pinedale office. And
- 14 we're looking internally within our current DEQ resources
- 15 to see how we can make that occur. And so that's in the
- 16 works right now.
- 17 We've also on -- oh, found out the government
- 18 shutdown in January meant that these folks are housed in
- 19 the BLM field office, which meant they had no work space.
- One gentleman had to go to the library, and another lady
- 21 worked out of her house or the car. Internet connections
- 22 are challenging when you don't have those. So we'll
- 23 probably look at -- see what other types of changes we
- 24 might need to assure continued operations there.
- 25 With those positions, they were funded through

- 1 the JIO and PAPO through operator funds. And those need to
- 2 be now -- that went through 2020, and so we'll be looking
- 3 at this upcoming budget session of making those permanent
- 4 positions within the DEQ structure and finding the
- 5 funding -- long-term funding source for those positions.
- 6 The other section in compliance and enforcement
- 7 is the enforcement team, and that's a staff of two. And we
- 8 do notices of violations informal, called letters of
- 9 violations. And we're looking at further streamlining
- 10 opportunities so that we can have different enforcement and
- 11 compliance tools available for different situations. One
- 12 of those kind of I'll say streamline opportunities would be
- 13 we have some what I call violations that are ones that we
- 14 tend to see, a company might not submit a permit
- 15 application, and it be a minor source.
- 16 So one streamlining opportunity that we could
- 17 have would be to say here's the violation for, you know,
- 18 failure to submit a permit application on time and have a
- 19 set amount there. And if the company wants to elect to
- 20 settle it quickly, then we can do it that way. If they
- 21 want to have more of a negotiation style, then we can do it
- 22 that way. The Air Quality Division does not have
- 23 administrative what I call penalty authority, so we can't
- 24 say, hey, here's an amount. We have to do it through a
- 25 negotiated settlement. So we're looking for those kind of

- 1 opportunities.
- 2 The other one that's related to compliance is
- 3 environmental audits. And so in the end of October, EPA
- 4 Region 8 and the State of Wyoming entered a Memorandum of
- 5 Understanding related to environmental audits. So Wyoming,
- on our statute, we provide for environmental audits.
- 7 There's a privilege and -- associated with the documents
- 8 that a company builds during an environment audit, and then
- 9 there is a penalty waiver, what they call penalty immunity,
- 10 for companies that conduct audits.
- 11 And the purpose of the environmental audits is so
- 12 companies take a look at their own compliance. It can be
- as narrow or as broad of an audit as the company wants.
- 14 They can be one media, like air, or it can be multimedia.
- 15 We've seen both kinds. They tend to be single media, but
- 16 we have seen multimedia.
- 17 And they look at the audit. It identifies the
- 18 compliance issues, but it also identifies where the
- 19 company's doing well in compliance. And then if there is
- 20 corrective action, then the company has to implement that
- 21 within a certain period of time. So the benefit is that
- 22 you get to improved environmental compliance and
- 23 performance more quickly than if it was waiting for someone
- 24 to come around and inspect your facility or conduct that
- 25 particular review.

- 1 We do a spot follow-up when we do environmental
- 2 audits, because there are people out there that are like,
- 3 well, how do you know the company's doing what it said it
- 4 was going to do? So we do spot audits. So they've done
- 5 their self-audit. And then once it's done, that's in the
- 6 past. And we'll go out and check. And if there's
- 7 noncompliance, then we do take enforcement action. And we
- 8 have one pending right now that's in that situation.
- 9 So we do take it seriously. The companies that
- 10 do these also take it seriously. We know there's a cost
- 11 and we're seeing dollars being put into the controls to
- 12 reduce the emissions as well. So that's a new program.
- On the federal level, they just announced new
- 14 owner oil and gas audit program at the federal level.
- 15 That's a little bit different than our program.
- 16 I got one last program area. Feel free to ask
- 17 questions, otherwise -- anybody ask questions, otherwise I
- 18 drone on.
- This would probably be like a lullaby for the
- 20 calves, though, Doug, huh?
- BOARD MEMBER HULME: He's asleep.
- MS. VEHR: Yeah.
- 23 So Air Quality Resource Management, that has
- 24 three sections that deals with our emissions inventory, our
- 25 planning, and our monitoring sections. So we have 20 staff

- 1 in there. Right now we don't have any openings in that
- 2 particular program.
- 3 On the monitoring side, we had a gentleman start,
- 4 oh, I think it was about a month ago -- Ray -- to do some
- 5 of the monitoring -- ambient monitoring maintenance and
- 6 calibration, that type work. And that filled up our
- 7 vacancy.
- 8 But on the monitoring side, we have a continuous
- 9 emission monitor, and then ambient monitoring. Ambient
- 10 monitoring, we had a lot of use on WyVisNet, which is our
- 11 statewide network. I think sometimes people go to look at
- 12 snow depth or -- just like they do the WYDOT station. But
- 13 we do have a lot of traffic on there.
- 14 The platform is fairly old. It was I think
- 15 started 20 years ago, and it's a custom platform. And so
- 16 the expense has gotten very increased because it's built on
- 17 this older platform, and it's less versatile for a lot of
- 18 the uses. So we anticipate having a different platform at
- 19 sometime in the future, which we'll need to make sure we
- 20 educate both -- all the users. And we anticipate there
- 21 will probably be some users. It's just like anything else,
- 22 you get used to seeing things a certain way, and when it
- 23 changes, it becomes challenging. But the expense of
- 24 maintaining that particular site has -- and the resources
- 25 needed has really grown.

1 We have an annual monitoring network plan that will go out for public comment, I believe, in May sometime. 2 And that's an annual requirement we have with EPA. We do a network settlement to see where we need ambient monitoring 5 and what needs to get continued. A few years ago you might remember we had a mobile monitor in Laramie to gather some 6 7 population-based information. We have a lot of requests 8 for mobile monitoring in more rural sites, located where there's some heavy oil and gas development. So we were 9 10 able to deploy one of the monitors. We changed the mission 11 from population-based community to eastern Laramie County 12 to try to get some information about oil and gas in eastern 13 Laramie County. So that's going to be released for public 14 comment, and then we get that to EPA in June. 15 And then we had in the Upper Green River Basin, we had a very active ozone season this year. We had nine 16 17 days where we exceeded the 70 parts per billion standard at 18 one monitor, which was the Boulder monitor. The rest of the monitors in the Upper Green were A-OK. I think we had 19 20 a day at Daniel at the very end of the season. But none of 21 the other monitors had eight-hour exceedances. So it was 22 very, very localized to the Boulder monitor. And we're now in the process of analyzing all of the information to see 23 24 if we can draw some conclusions about what -- why that occurred at that particular location, because the good news 25

- 1 is, for the rest of the Upper Green, the standards were met
- 2 on all days, except the one eight-hour reading at Daniel.
- 3 All the other readings were fine.
- 4 And that there's a lot of concern out there.
- 5 We're going to do a post winter ozone season open house,
- 6 which is our standard that we do after ozone season to get
- 7 information out to everybody. But there's a lot of -- been
- 8 a lot of press, as well as local concerns. And sometimes ${\tt I}$
- 9 think it gets lost that, hey, the good news is the whole
- 10 rest of the Upper Green did really well. It was a very
- 11 concentrated -- we did see elevated readings at the
- 12 eight-hour level of 105. And these are pre-validation
- 13 data. But there were some elevated significant -- it was a
- 14 very strong inversion in place, and so this was at about a
- 15 6, I think, of that inversion. So they'll take a look and
- 16 see what the analysis shows of additional strategies, if
- 17 any, for that area.
- 18 Then on the planning and records part of the Air
- 19 Quality Resource Management, we had Open Air, which we
- 20 brought to the Board before on -- this is our public --
- 21 free public access to air quality information. And we got
- 22 a lot of interest. There is -- if you go to our website,
- 23 there's a link to it. There's training information. We
- 24 had Powder River Basin Resource Council come in and get
- 25 trained. We had individuals want to get trained. We had

- folks from companies want to -- so that they can see what
- 2 people are able to see. And as we get more and more
- 3 records that we can know are publicly accessible. They've
- 4 already been screened, we can get out there, we'll continue
- 5 to expand that.
- 6 We are in the midst of digitizing a lot of
- 7 records, and so those of you that have been up to the
- 8 second floor of our building, we had a room that was all
- 9 file cabinets, and I want to say it held about 75 file
- 10 cabinets. Those 75 file cabinets' records were shipped out
- 11 to a company. They're getting scanned right now. And they
- 12 will be coming back I think in about another month, less
- 13 than a month, for another 75 file cabinets.
- There's a lot of cost to this. A lot of time. A
- 15 lot of prep work from the Division to get these records
- 16 ready. But once they're scanned, then they can be uploaded
- 17 into our system and made publicly available. And so
- 18 there's many, many, more boxes at archives, but this will
- 19 get us a good start on that.
- There has been items in the press about learning
- 21 curves that the DEQ is on, and we're in part of that
- 22 learning curve. We have encountered people -- when we say,
- 23 hey, this information is available to you. You have to go
- 24 access it. They get upset because they want us to do the
- 25 work. And that's why we make it available so you can look

- 1 at it wherever you want, whenever you want. So there's
- 2 learning curves on both sides, but we think it's a great
- 3 thing.
- 4 On IMPACT, we have something called an
- 5 E-Enterprise Air-ICIS grant. And it's about a \$350,000
- 6 grant. EPA requires certain facilities on like stack
- 7 testing, then the state has to input system -- excuse me,
- 8 input information into EPA's Air-ICIS system. It's been a
- 9 manual data entry process. And this grant is to have it
- 10 all occur electronically when that information is uploaded
- 11 into -- by facilities into our impact system, then it can
- 12 be migrated over through to the EPA system.
- 13 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Oh, that's nice.
- 14 MS. VEHR: Yeah. And we're working on
- 15 that. E-Enterprise is a joint project with Environmental
- 16 Council of States (ECOS), EPA, and then others. And we
- 17 applied for a grant and got this because our IMPACT system
- 18 is being used down in Maricopa County and the Gila River
- 19 Tribe, in addition to Ohio. So that will be about
- 20 two-years project.
- 21 And then the other thing that the planning and
- 22 records team is working on is on NEPA projects. So there
- 23 was kind of a lull in NEPA for a while, and then things
- 24 started -- as different federal actions have occurred,
- 25 that's gotten busier on the NEPA side. So we have a staff

- 1 member from Air Quality and then we coordinate comments up
- 2 through DEQ on that process.
- 3 My last -- my last hurdle here is on emissions
- 4 inventory. We have four staff in emissions inventory. And
- 5 so in our major sources, we just are going through the
- 6 inventory process -- review process now. Those sources
- 7 have provided information from the 2018 year. And then we
- 8 take a look at it and then we send out the emission
- 9 inventory bills for those. So the -- those major source
- 10 inventories are in the works. That's something we do
- 11 annually.
- 12 We had a triennial inventory that's still being,
- 13 I'll say, worked on. And then we have a winter ozone
- 14 inventory that I don't know the due date for that, but we
- 15 should be getting that sometime. So the inventory folks
- 16 are very, very busy. They're still -- Ben Way is still
- 17 working on the combined air emissions reporting, which,
- 18 again, is one of these streamlined -- so that facilities
- 19 that report information, it can go into the EPA system and
- 20 to states, or if it's states reporting, the facilities can
- 21 get it. So it's still a couple-year project that's out
- 22 there, but it's making headway. It's just finding out how
- 23 many different systems and electronic systems and ways they
- 24 communicate with each other is a pretty challenging task.
- 25 So that's what's keeping us busy. Our goal for

- 1 the rest of 2019 is to try and hold our own. We've gone
- 2 through a lot of changes over the I'll say past couple of
- 3 years. And sometimes you need to kind of solidify it, let
- 4 those solidify and build those foundations. So we're still
- 5 making improvements and looking, but some of that breakneck
- 6 pace that we were at, we need to focus on things like
- 7 regional haze we know is going to continue to increase and
- 8 consume time, and some of these other issues -- pollutant-
- 9 specific issues around the state we want to focus efforts
- 10 on.
- 11 So that's the update --
- 12 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- MS. VEHR: -- for the Division.
- 14 CHAIRMAN BROWN: When are you guys moving
- 15 back to the Herschler Building?
- 16 MS. VEHR: We are actually staying where
- 17 we're at. At least for right now. So in the last
- 18 legislative session, there was a lease that got entered
- 19 into, right at this past legislative session, and so I
- 20 think the state's -- one of maybe the interim committees is
- 21 looking at leasing and building space. Someone else is
- 22 moving into where we were moving into the Herschler. So
- 23 for right now, this is where we're at, yeah, until someone
- 24 tells us elsewise.
- 25 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Interesting.

- MS. VEHR: Yeah. 1 2 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Thank you. 3 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Thank you. 4 MS. VEHR: Any questions you have? I mean, 5 we're happy to --6 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Doug? 7 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Nope. I'm just in 8 awe of what they've been getting accomplished. CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah. 9 10 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Wow. 11 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Yeah. MS. VEHR: And I apologize for droning on. 12 It's a lot to -- but when we don't--13 BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: It's absolutely a 14 15 lot. But it shows your tenacity for the position, I guess. MS. VEHR: Got a lot of dedicated -- a lot 16 of dedicated staff at the agency that are passionate about 17 18 air quality, so... 19 BOARD MEMBER HULME: That's good. MS. VEHR: Yeah. And any questions you 20 have, happy to take those now. Happy to -- any time if 21 22 down the road you get a question that pops up, you know how

anticipate at least before the next meeting.

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to get ahold of us. And feel free, because we want to make

sure that -- I know there's a new board member, we would

- 1 If you have -- I know Amber and the team, we want
- 2 to make these meetings productive for you as well. One of
- 3 the thoughts -- I know we've done a power plant tour.
- 4 We're seeing a lot of oil and gas development. We have
- 5 other sources -- I mean, you heard about the one and only
- 6 for the state of Wyoming, it was the subject of this
- 7 rulemaking. But if there's items that we can, you know,
- 8 provide for you, as well as if it's in coordination with
- 9 the board meeting, you want to hear from the Attorney
- 10 General? Do you want to hear on something national? We're
- 11 happy to do that to make these as educational and
- 12 informative for you to give your sound advice to us as
- 13 well. So if you think of something, just let Amber know.
- 14 And we're happy to do that, so...
- 15 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Right. Will do.
- 16 Yeah.
- 17 CHAIRMAN BROWN: I have no questions.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER HULME: I don't either.
- MS. VEHR: Okay.
- 20 CHAIRMAN BROWN: So next on the agenda is
- 21 schedule the next meeting.
- 22 MS. POTTS: And we can have the Doodle
- 23 Poll.
- 24 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah. That works well.
- MS. POTTS: Send that back out.

- 1 CHAIRMAN BROWN: I like that Doodle Poll.
- 2 We're looking at -- this is Q2, isn't it, so...
- 3 MS. POTTS: Yeah, we kind of -- with the
- 4 ozone season, we got wrapped around that. And the
- 5 legislature. So we'll have -- we'll get three more
- 6 meetings in this year.
- 7 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay. Yeah, that's fine.
- 8 I was just curious.
- 9 MS. VEHR: I think we had -- just to give
- 10 you -- one update I just thought of. So the rules that
- 11 went through the last time, incorporation by reference --
- BOARD MEMBER HULME: Uh-huh.
- 13 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Uh-huh.
- 14 MS. VEHR: The EQC, they got backlogged as
- 15 well. So I think they got bumped to August, was it, when
- 16 they said. So probably as they're adopting, you're going
- 17 to be --
- 18 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- MS. VEHR: -- seeing new incorporation by
- 20 reference.
- 21 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Okay.
- MS. VEHR: But...
- 23 CHAIRMAN BROWN: Are there any other
- 24 questions?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER HULME: Huh-uh.

1	CHAIRMAN BROWN: I guess we move to
2	adjourn.
3	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Move to adjourn.
4	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Doug?
5	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Do I need to second
6	it or adjourn it?
7	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Second.
8	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: I'll second that,
9	then. I don't have far to travel today.
10	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Yeah. Okay. All those in
11	favor?
12	BOARD MEMBER HULME: Aye.
13	CHAIRMAN BROWN: Aye.
14	BOARD MEMBER VICKREY: Aye.
15	CHAIRMAN BROWN: All those opposed.
16	Okay. This meeting's adjourned.
17	(Meeting proceedings concluded
18	2:07 p.m., April 15, 2019.)
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