

STATE OF MONTANA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14-87

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EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE OIL AND GAS
DRILLING ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the enactment of Senate Bill 184 (Montana Session Laws 1987, Chapter 473) provides that issuance of a permit to drill for oil or gas is not a major state action under Montana Environmental Policy Act (75-1-101 et seq MCA) until a programmatic environmental statement has been adopted by the Board of Oil and Gas; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation must adopt such a programmatic statement no later than June 30, 1989; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor has the responsibility to direct and prepare the programmatic statement for the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation under this legislation; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor in preparing the programmatic statement, seeks advice from a diverse group of individuals who have knowledge regarding the impact of oil and gas drilling.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ted, Schwinden, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the constitution and laws of the State of Montana, specifically Section 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby created the Oil and Gas Drilling Advisory Council.

I. PURPOSE

The Council shall advise the Governor through the chairman on the following areas:

1. Development of a Project Study Plan
2. Identification of the issues and impacts surrounding drilling for and development of oil and gas resources in Montana.

II. COMPOSITION AND TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

The Council shall consist of nine (9) members. The chairman of the Advisory Council shall be the Natural Resource Coordinator in the employ of the Office of the Governor. The names and addresses of the members, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, are:

W. David Darby
Department of Natural Resources
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Council members eligible for compensation under 2-15-122(5) shall be compensated by the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation at the rate of \$25 for each day actually and necessarily engaged in the performance of Council duties. All members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to 2-15-122(5).

III. DURATION

This Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this Order unless extended by Executive Order.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL