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## AGRICULTURE AND WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, September 11, 2025  
Room 327B, State Capitol  
Bismarck, North Dakota

- 10:00 a.m.      Call to order  
                    Roll call  
                    Comments by the Chairman  
                    Review of the [Supplementary Rules of Operation and Procedure of the North Dakota Legislative Management](#)

### WETLANDS AND INUNDATED LANDS STUDY

- 10:05 a.m.      Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a [background memorandum](#) regarding the committee's study of water and wetlands regulations and the taxation of inundated lands in the state
- 10:10 a.m.      Presentation by Mr. Doug Goehring, Agriculture Commissioner, regarding the committee's study of water and wetlands regulations and the taxation of inundated lands in the state
- 10:30 a.m.      [Presentation](#) by Mr. Aaron Carranza, Director, Regulatory Division, Department of Water Resources, regarding the committee's study of water and wetlands regulations and the taxation of inundated lands in the state
- 11:00 a.m.      [Presentation](#) by Mr. Ron Haugen, Farm Management Specialist, North Dakota State University, regarding the committee's study of water and wetlands regulations and the taxation of inundated lands in the state
- 11:20 a.m.      Presentation by Mr. Don Flaherty, Tax Director, Dickey County, and Mr. Stan Dick, County Commissioner, Cavalier County, regarding the committee's study of water and wetlands regulations and the taxation of inundated lands in the state
- 11:50 a.m.      Comments from interested persons and committee discussion
- 12:05 p.m.      Recess

### AGRICULTURE INSURANCE DISCOUNT PROGRAM STUDY

- 1:00 p.m.      Presentation by the Legislative Council staff of a [background memorandum](#) regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 1:05 p.m.      [Presentation](#) by Mr. Blaine Bergstedt, Director, Property and Casualty Division, Insurance Department regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 1:25 p.m.      [Presentation](#) by Mr. Benjamin Sand, Loss Control Program Manager, Workforce Safety and Insurance, regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation

- 1:45 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Dr. Greg Lardy, Director, and Dr. Lynette Flage, Associate Director, North Dakota State University Extension Service, regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 2:05 p.m. Presentation by a representative of the North Dakota Safety Council regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 2:25 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Brad Nold, Chief Claims Officer, Farmers Union Insurance Company, regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 2:45 p.m. [Presentation](#) by Mr. Brandon Nicol, Reinsurance and Chief Underwriting Officer, Nodak Insurance Company, regarding the committee's study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a program that would allow a farmer or rancher to complete a safety course to receive a discount on insurance relating to the individual's farming or ranching operation
- 3:05 p.m. Comments from interested persons and committee discussion

### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- 3:20 p.m. Staff directives
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

**A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: <https://video.ndlegis.gov>.**

### **Committee Members**

Representatives: Dori Hauck (Chairman), Karen A. Anderson, Mike Beltz, Mike Brandenburg, Lisa Finley-DeVile, Kathy Frelich, Jeff Hoverson, Keith Kempenich, Dwight Kiefert, David Monson, Dennis Nehring

Senators: Cole Conley, Michael Dwyer, Robert Erbele, Randy D. Lemm, Larry Luick, Michelle Powers, Terry M. Wanzek, Mark F. Weber

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