Date:	Jan. 25, 2016
То:	Environmental Quality Commission
From:	Dick Pedersen, Director Sahlesu
Subject:	Agenda item D, Informational and discussion item: Budget and legislative updates Feb. 3, 2016, EQC meeting
Purpose of item	DEQ will present updates about the 2016 Oregon legislative Session, federal legislative matters of interest and agency, state and federal budget information.
Background	The 2016 Oregon Legislative Session will occur in February and March 2016. DEQ does not intend to enter any legislative concepts for consideration in the session, though some legislative actions may affect the agency. DEQ intends to present an update on relevant state and federal concerns.
	DEQ also intends to present an update on the agency's 2015-17 Operating Budget, the development process for the 2017-19 DEQ Agency Request Budget, general information about agency and state budget outlooks and other relevant financial information.
EQC involvement	There is no commission action associated with this item. Budget and legislative updates will continue regularly or as otherwise requested by the commissioners.

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