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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMISSION MEETING — NOVEMBER 2020

November Meeting. The <u>Environmental Protection Commission</u> met electronically on November 17, 2020. Among the topics discussed were the following:

Director Lyon. Director Kayla Lyon gave an update on staffing for the Department of Natural Resources. Staffing remains at around 20.0% capacity. The Director also spoke on recent events relating to improving animal habitats, bettering water quality, and increasing hunting opportunities with Governor Reynolds. Division Administrator Ed Tormey spoke on the importance of staff safety and the avoidance of COVID-19 outbreaks.

Approved Items. The following items were approved by the Commission:

- Contract Amendment with enfoTech & Consulting, Inc. The contract runs from December 1, 2020, to October 31, 2024. The contract is for supporting the Iowa Environmental Application System (EASY Air). The amount is not to exceed \$117,000 and is funded by the Air Contaminant Fund and Air Quality Fund, as well as other State and federal funds.
- Approval of Rulemakings Regarding Underground Storage Tanks. The rulemaking addresses requirements for licensing, technical standards, and financial responsibility for underground storage tanks.

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be on December 15, 2020.

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