Funding Study Group Report Outline

I. Cost
   a. Cost of State Permitting and Compliance Program
      i. Staff Cost:
         1. Staff Salaries
         2. Computer licenses and data storage
         3. Cost of data system development and implementation
         4. Printing and binding of reference materials
      ii. Operating Funds (travel, subsistence, telephone, printing, etc…)
         1. Travel (Regional-daily; Central- Periodic)- gas and vehicle maintenance
         2. Public Comment Hearings- (Regional and Central Office)
            a. staff, travel, hotel, food
            b. public notice, mailings
      iii. Equipment Costs
         1. Vehicles: Department purchased versus Motor Fleet
         2. PPE- boots (steel toe), hardhats, safety glasses
            a. Fire Resistant/Retardant Clothing and PPE: coat, coveralls, rain gear, shirts, pants (annual costs per staff personnel):

Clothing/PPE	Quantity (per inspector)	Cost
FR Shirts (Long Sleeve)	2	95.50
FR Pants/Jeans	3	165.00
FR Rain Coat	1	155.00
FR Rain Pants	1	129.50
FR Coveralls	1	79.75
FR Coat	1	149.50
FR Gloves	1	39.50
	TOTAL:	813.75

            b. Steel toe neoprene boots: range from $89.00 to $160.00 from vendor.

         3. Field Equipment: N95's, gloves (leather and nitrile), buckets, shovels, tow straps, GPS, camera
            Four Sensor Gas Meter: $645.95
            Water Meter: $2,000.00/unit (one to go to each RO)
            Water Testing (pH, chloride, hardness) papers-$38.50
            (Total of 50 tests)
            Cement Scale: $150.00 per unit
         4. Laptops, laptop truck mount, wi-fi air cards/cell phone based hot spot

      iv. Training Needs
         1. Attendance at meetings (AAPG, GSA, AAPE)
         2. Training courses offered at meetings

        3. Software training
    v. Spill Response
        1.

b. Local Government Cost
    i. Spill Response
    ii. Law Enforcement
    iii. Emergency Services
    iv. Traffic Impacts
    v. Socioeconomic Impact Cost
        1. Schools
        2. Property Values (Property Tax)
        3. Rental Rates
        4. Social Services
            a. Hospitals and Emergency Rooms
    vi. Local Infrastructure Impact Cost
        1. Roads
        2. Bridges
    vii. Administrative Costs to Counties
        1. Training of personnel- Registrar of Deeds, Tax appraiser
c. State Costs
    i. Roads
    ii. Bridges
    iii. Reclamation of abandon wells sites and wells
        1. Bond requirements
    iv. State Law Enforcement

II. Revenue
a. Severance Tax
    i. Current:
    ii. Proposed by SB 76:
        1.
    iii. Recommendation
        1. A portion of the severance tax should be set aside in a trust fund for remediation purposes.
b. Impact Fees
    i.
c. Permitting Fees
    i. Current:
    ii. Proposed
    iii. Recommendation
d. Inspection Fees
    i.

e. Well Abandonment Fees
    i.
f. Environmental Conservation Tax
    i.
g. Property Tax
h. Bonds
    i. Surface Owner
        1.
    ii. Well Plugging and Abandonment
        1. Current:
        2. Recommendation: $27.00 per vertical foot of well.
    iii. Site Reclamation
        1. Mining Program Analog
    iv. Types of allowed bonds.
        1. Surety Bond
        2. Assignment of Savings Account
        3. Bank Guaranty
        4. Irrevocable Letter of Credit
        5. Cash Deposit