Department of Environmental Quality



To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.



Todd Parfitt, Director



MEMORANDUM

TO:

Dr. David Bagley, Chairman, Environmental Quality Council

FROM:

Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality

DATE:

April 8, 2016

SUBJECT:

Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Rules and Regulations Chapters 15 and 25

The Water Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality is proposing revisions to Chapters 15 and 25 of the Water Quality Rules and Regulations and is requesting the Environmental Quality Council review the proposal and consider adoption of these rules at your June 15, 2016 hearing.

The proposed rule was presented to the Water and Waste Advisory Board (WWAB) at the following meetings: June 14, 2013; September 19, 2013; December 5, 2013; April 25, 2014; and July 25, 2014. Public comment periods accompanied the June 2013, April 2014, and July 2014 meetings. On July 25, 2014, the WWAB recommended with a vote of 3-0, with areas of noted contention, that WQD proceed to the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) for adoption of the proposed rules. On July 8, 2015, the EQC voted to table the proposed revisions due to public comments received at the EQC hearing. WQD requested withdrawal of the proposed rules at the September 10, 2015 EQC hearing. On December 11, 2015, WQD presented proposed revisions to Chapters 15 and 25 to the WWAB. The WWAB voted 4-0 recommending that WQD proceed to the EQC for adoption of the proposed rules.

The enclosed statement of principal reasons and public notice summarize the nature of the revisions. A list of enclosures related to Chapters 15 and 25 is included on the next page.

cc:

Kevin Frederick, WQD Administrator

Gina Thompson, WQD

Enclosures

Enclosure List

- 1. Draft Chapter 15 Clean
- 2. Draft Chapter 15 Strike/Underline
- 3. Draft Chapter 25 Clean
- 4. Draft Chapter 25 Strike/Underline
- 5. Draft Chapter 25 Noting Changes Since 7/8/15 Hearing in Green Font
- 6. Draft SOPR
- 7. Public Notice
- 8. Takings analysis
- 9. Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules
- 10. March 19, 2016 Attorney General Statutory Authority review
- 11. April 4, 2016 Governor's Permission to Proceed
- 12. December 11, 2015 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 13. Responses to comments received at December 11, 2015 Water and Waste Advisory Board Meeting.
- 14. Tank Survey
- 15. Tank Survey Comments Received
- 16. Responses to Tank Survey Comments
- 17. July 8, 2015 Environmental Quality Council hearing transcript
- 18. Responses to comments received at July 8, 2015 Environmental Quality Council hearing.
- 19. May 5, 2015 Memo from Administrator Kevin Frederick to Environmental Quality Council
- 20. July 25, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 21. Responses to oral comments received at July 25, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 22. April 18, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 23. Responses to oral comments received at April 18, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 24. December 5, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 25. Presentation from December 5, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 26. Handout from December 5, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 27. September 19, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 28. Responses to oral comments received at September 19, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 29. June 14, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting transcript
- 30. Written comments received for June 14, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 31. Presentation from June 14, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 32. Responses to oral comments received at June 14, 2013 Water and Waste Advisory Board meeting
- 33. Written comments received during stakeholder outreach
- 34. Responses to comments received during stakeholder outreach