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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable Mark Gordon, Governor

FROM:

Todd Parfitt, Director, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality

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SUBJECT:

Proposed Revisions to Noncoal Chapter 11, In Situ Mining-Land Quality

Division, Department of Environmental Quality

DATE:

December 10, 2021

PRIORITY: HIGH - December 27, 2021

SUMMARY: Notice of Agency Rulemaking

The Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division (LQD) is proposing to amend Noncoal Chapter 11, In Situ Mining. The proposed revisions are intended to correct an editing error made during a prior rulemaking, update statutory references, comply with legislative changes, and address WY Attorney General's review comments. Specific information on the proposed revisions can be found in the Statement of Reasons for Noncoal Chapter 11.

The proposed rules were presented to the LQD Advisory Board on June 27, 2019 and again on August 19, 2021. The Advisory Board recommended the rules proceed to the Environmental Ouality Council for formal rulemaking. The proposed rules are not expected to be controversial. The Attorney General's Office has reviewed the rules for statutory authority and agreed they could proceed. The LQD is requesting to proceed with formal rulemaking with this rule package.

GOVERNORS RESPONSE OPTIONS:	
Agency may proceed.	
Delay Public Comment and Set Up Meeting w/	
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Signature: Governor's Counsel	Date