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Please revise these proposed rules to ensure that DEQ records are open and accessible to the public. Public access to DEQ documents and records is imperative to ensure our lands, water, air and wildlife in Wyoming will be protected. Charging fees and limiting access to DEQ records is not in accordance with the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act. Until recently DEQ has had an open door policy and welcomed the public to review documents and to copy documents at no or a minimal cost. In recent years DEQ's policies for public access to records that impact adjacent lands, water and air are much more difficult to access and DEQ has become much less transparent and more restrictive. This is not the right direction to be moving to ensure public engagement in a civil society. Please propose changes to these rules that ensure public access, review and copying of DEQ documents related to permitting, enforcement or rulemaking. Please ensure open public access to DEQ records is maintained as is required by the Wyoming Environmental Quality Act. Thank you for your consideration and efforts.