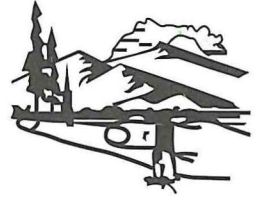




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Mark Gordon, Governor



Todd Parfitt, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mark Gordon, Governor

FROM: Todd Parfitt, Director, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality
[Agency Contact: Craig Hults, phone 777-7066, email craig.hults@wyo.gov]

SUBJECT: **Proposed Revisions to Noncoal Chapter 7, Noncoal Mine Permit or Research and Development Testing License Revisions – Land Quality Division, Department of Environmental Quality**

DATE: April 15, 2022

PRIORITY: HIGH – April 29, 2022

SUMMARY: Notice of Agency Rulemaking

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The Department of Environmental Quality, Land Quality Division (LQD) is proposing to amend Noncoal Chapter 7, Noncoal Mine Permit or Research and Development Testing License Revisions. The proposed revisions are intended to comply with legislative changes regarding public involvement in permitting actions, and address WY Attorney General's statutory review comments. Specific information on the proposed revisions can be found in the Statement of Reasons for Noncoal Chapter 7.

The LQD Advisory Board reviewed the rules during meetings held on December 9, 2021 and March 22, 2022. The Advisory Board recommended the rules proceed to the Environmental Quality 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/ _____



Signature: Governor's Counsel



Date