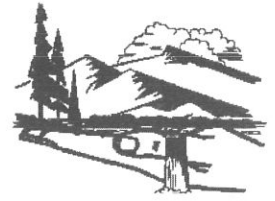




Department of Environmental Quality



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Matthew H. Mead, Governor

Todd Parfitt, Director

To: Honorable Matthew H. Mead, Governor
From: Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality
Subject: Proposed Rules for Chapters 3, 5, 6, 7 and 11 (R-23)
 Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division
Date: May 15, 2014
Priority: **HIGH** – Deadline for response is **May 29, 2014**
Summary: Notice of Agency Rulemaking

The Air Quality Division (Division) is proposing revisions to the Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations listed above. The following is a brief summary of the proposed rule changes:

- Annual updates to New Source Performance Standards, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, and the National Acid Rain Program to be adopted by reference from the 2013 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). If the State does not adopt the most recent versions of these sections by reference, the rule still applies at the federal level. Adopting these national standards into the State rules allows for State implementation of the rules.
- Updates to sections affecting the oil and gas industry to be adopted by reference from the August 23, 2013 Federal Register. The State has opted to adopt by reference from the Federal Register as the codification of the final rule will not occur until July 2014. This allows State implementation of the rule to begin expeditiously.
- Updates to the federal definition of VOCs, bringing the version up to date as of July 1, 2013.
- Updates to Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) regulations so that State regulations match federal regulations. Revised regulations are no more stringent than federal regulations and allow Wyoming to maintain primacy over the program. PSD updates include:
 - A revision that specifically lists a new minor source baseline date for fine particulate.
 - An update to a citation to a Federal Register article.
- An update to a citation to a Federal Register article in the Operating Permits regulations and the Compliance Assurance Monitoring regulations.

The proposed revisions can be seen in the attached draft rules. Specific information on the changes can be found in the Statement of Principal Reasons (SOPR). Chapter 3, Section 9, and Chapter 6, Sections 4 and 14 involve changes to the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The Wyoming Air Quality Advisory Board met in Laramie, Wyoming on April 22, 2014, and recommended that these revisions be taken forward through the rulemaking process.

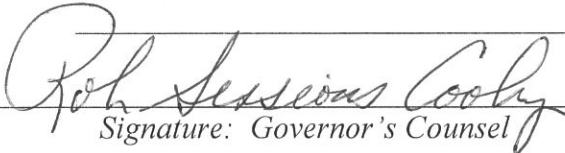


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Governor's Response Options (to be completed by Governor's Office):

Agency may proceed *with updated rules to include internet references.*
 Delay public comment and set up meeting with

Thank you.


Signature: Governor's Counsel

If no response has been received by the 10th working day, the agency will proceed with these rules.