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Notice of Proposed Rulemaking By The Environmental Quality Council

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) will consider proposed changes to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ), Air Quality Division (AQD) Standards and Regulations (WAQSR) at a public hearing to be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 19, 2015, at the Sublette County Library, Lovatt Room, 155 South Tyler Avenue, Pinedale, Wyoming.

The AQD, will present the proposed rulemaking to the EQC. The proposed rulemaking will involve revising Wyoming Air Quality Standards and Regulations Chapter 8, Nonattainment Area Regulations. Chapter 8, Section 1, Introduction to nonattainment, is being revised to reflect the addition of a new section to the chapter. Section 6, Upper Green River Basin permit by rule for existing sources, establishes requirements for existing oil and gas production facilities, and compressor stations, located in the Upper Green River Basin (UGRB) ozone nonattainment area. Section 10, Incorporation by reference, is being updated to adopt by reference from the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) for July 1, 2013. Chapter 8, Sections 6 and 10, involve changes to the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The AQD will submit these SIP changes to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The notice for submitting written comments on the WDEQ/AQD proposed revisions was first published on February 27, 2015. The written comment period will close on April 13, 2015. Written comments will also become a part of the public record. Comments should include the name and address of the commenter to assist the AQD in identifying commenters in the Response To Comments. Comments shall be submitted to Administrator, WDEQ/AQD, Herschler Building 2-E, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82002, or faxed to 307-777-5616. Copies of the public notice, Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules, and the proposed rules are available for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, Herschler Building, 2nd Floor, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Electronic copies are available at http://deq.wyoming.gov/aqd/rule-development/resources/proposed-rules-and-regulations/ and the EQC website stated below. If you have questions regarding the proposed rules, contact Jeni Cederle, Air Quality Division, at 307-777-7740.

The AQD will file an Analysis of Comments prior to the public hearing. The EQC has scheduled the public hearing on May 19, 2015. The EQC will consider the proposed rules, written comments, and the analysis of comments, along with any modifications proposed by the WDEQ/AQD to the draft rules. At the public hearing, oral statements that focus on the written comments, the DEQ's analysis of comments and issues raised by the analysis will be accepted. The entire record and the comments submitted during the comment period can be viewed at the EQC website: https://eqc.wyo.gov/Public/Dockets.aspx under the link titled "15-2101."

Any person wishing to use a digital presentation during their testimony before the EQC must provide a digital copy to the EQC no less than 3 days prior to the hearing unless you contact the EQC and request an extension for good cause. Failure to submit a digital copy in a timely manner will result in the person not being allowed to use the presentation during their testimony.

The EQC may convene a meeting to deliberate and make a decision on these rules at the end of the hearing. The EQC also has the option to extend the public comment period on these rules. If the comment period is extended, the extension will be posted on the Air Quality website as well as the above stated website for the Environmental Quality Council.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, special assistance or alternative formats will be made available upon request for individuals with disabilities.