

## Wyoming Environmental Quality Council

The Wyoming Environmental Quality Council (the Council) will consider proposed revisions to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality/Water Quality Division (the Department) Water Quality Rules and Regulations at a public hearing to be held on July 8, 2015 at the Herschler Building, Room 1699, 122 W 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming, commencing at 9:00 a.m. (MST).

The Department, pursuant to the authority vested in it by the Environmental Quality Act, Wyoming Statute (W.S.) § 35-11-302, proposes to streamline the Water Quality Rules and Regulations by moving the contents of Chapters 13 and 16 to new Chapter 27, by editing redundant passages in Chapter 27, and by reserving Chapters 13 and 16. The Department is also proposing minor corrective revisions to Chapter 8, Section 6. The revised rules meet minimum substantive state statutory requirements in accordance with W.S. § 16-3-103(a)(i)(G). The Department has evaluated the revised rules in accordance with W.S. § 9-5-304, and interested persons may inspect a copy of that evaluation and the proposed rule package at the following address: Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, Herschler Building, 4th Floor, 122 W. 25th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming. Copies of the rule package are also available on the Council website at: <https://eqc.wyo.gov/Public/Dockets.aspx> under Docket #15-3102. Questions and requests for copies of the proposed rules may be directed to William Tillman, Water Quality Division, at (307) 777-6941 (phone), (307) 777-5973 (fax), or [william.tillman@wyo.gov](mailto:william.tillman@wyo.gov) (email).

The Council will begin accepting comments on the proposed revisions beginning November 13, 2014. In order for the Department to file the response to comments, written comments should be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (MST) on June 24, 2015. Written comments should be sent to the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality/Water Quality Division, 122 West 25th Street, Herschler Building - 4W, Cheyenne, Wyoming, 82002 or faxed to 307-777-5973. Email comments will not be considered. The Department will file a response to written comments with the Council prior to the July 8, 2015 hearing. The proposed rules, comments submitted, and the response to comments will be posted on the Council's website at: <https://eqc.wyo.gov/Public/Dockets.aspx> under Docket #15-3102.

The Council has scheduled a public hearing on July 8, 2015. The Council will consider the proposed rules, written comments, and the response to comments along with any modifications proposed by the Department to the draft rules. At the public hearing, oral statements that focus on the written comments, the Department's analysis of comments and issues raised by the analysis will be accepted. The Council will determine if the record will remain open beyond the close of the scheduled hearing. The Council, however, may close the record and make a final decision regarding the rules at the conclusion of the hearing. Those who wish to comment on the proposed revisions should submit comments according to the schedule above.

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