

Department of Environmental Quality

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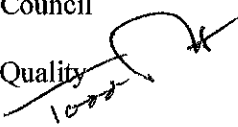


Matthew H. Mead, Governor

Todd Parfitt, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. David Bagley, Chairman, Environmental Quality Council

FROM: Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality 

DATE: May 5, 2015

SUBJECT: Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Rules and Regulations Chapters 8, 13, 16, and 27

The Water Quality Division (division) of the Department of Environmental Quality is proposing revisions to Chapters 8, 13, and 16 of the Water Quality Rules and Regulations. The division is also proposing to create a new chapter, Chapter 27. The division is requesting the Environmental Quality Council review the proposal and consider adoption of these rules at your July 8, 2015 hearing.

The proposed rules were presented to the Water and Waste Advisory Board (WWAB) at their October 24, 2014 meeting. The division published a public notice associated with this meeting on September 24, 2014. At the conclusion of the division's presentation, the WWAB voted to recommend approval of the proposed revisions and suggested minor edits which are included in the enclosed draft of Chapter 27.

The enclosed statement of principal reasons and public notice summarize the nature of the revisions. We do not anticipate controversy over the proposed revisions as most of the changes are in response to Governor Mead's Streamlining Initiative.

In addition to the chapters noted above, the division originally proposed to the WWAB that we would also revise the Water Quality Rules and Regulations by reserving Chapter 9. However after further consideration, the division has decided against this proposal and has not included Chapter 9 in our notice of intent to adopt rules.

Enclosed please find one hard copy of the rule package including:

- Statement of Principal Reasons
- October 24, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board Meeting Transcript
- Responses to comments received at October 24, 2014 Water and Waste Advisory Board Meeting
- Chapter 8, clean copy
- Chapter 8, strike and underline copy
- Chapter 13, clean copy
- Chapter 13, strike and underline copy
- Chapter 16, clean copy
- Chapter 16, strike and underline copy
- Chapter 27, clean copy
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- Permission to Proceed Memo Signed 4/17/15
- Notice of intent to adopt rules



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- Takings checklist and accompanying analysis
- Attorney General review of statutory authority

cc: Kevin Frederick, WQD Administrator
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