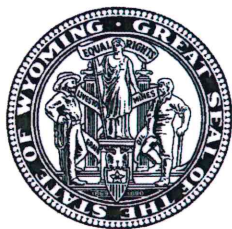


Department of Environmental Quality

To protect, conserve and enhance the quality of Wyoming's environment for the benefit of current and future generations.




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: April 8, 2016

SUBJECT: Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Rules and Regulations Chapter 24

The Water Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Quality is proposing revisions to Chapter 24 of the Water Quality Rules and Regulations and is requesting the Environmental Quality Council review the proposal and consider adoption of these rules at your June 15, 2016 hearing.

The proposed rule was presented to the Water and Waste Advisory Board (WWAB) at the following meetings: April 25, 2014; May 7, 2015; and September 11, 2015. Public comment periods accompanied the April 2014, May 2015 and September 2015 meetings. The WWAB has recommended approval of the draft rule. The enclosed draft rules include revisions related to the newly adopted Senate Enrolled Act 026, revisions requested by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission Supervisor, and revisions requested by the State Geologist.

The enclosed statement of principal reasons and public notice summarize the nature of the revisions. We have enclosed one hard copy of the rule package including:

- Chapter 24, clean copy
- Chapter 24, strike and underline copy
- Statement of Principal Reasons
- Governor Mead's permission to proceed memo signed 4/4/16
- Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules
- Takings Checklist and accompanying analysis
- Attorney General's Statutory Authority Review
- April 18, 2014 WWAB Meeting Transcript
- Responses to comments received at the April 18, 2014 WWAB meeting
- May 7, 2015 WWAB Meeting Transcript
- Responses to comments received at the May 7, 2015 WWAB meeting
- September 11, 2015 WWAB Meeting Transcript
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cc: Kevin Frederick, WQD Administrator
Gina Thompson, WQD

Enclosures