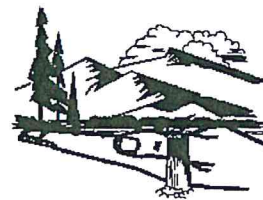


# Department of Environmental Quality

*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  
 Air Quality Advisory Board  
 Land Quality Advisory Board  
 Water and Waste Advisory Board  
 State Government Information Coordinator, State Library

**FROM:** Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality

**DATE:** May 2, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Final Adoption of Environmental Quality Rules of Practice and Procedure, Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9

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Please consider this memorandum as notice of final adoption of revised Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Rules of Practice and Procedure Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9. Chapter 4 was repealed in its entirety and 6 was repealed and replaced with new Chapter 9. Chapters 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, and 9 were modified in order to adopt as much of the uniform contested case rules developed by Wyoming Office of Administrative Hearings as is consistent with the specific and distinct requirements of WDEQ and EQC and state or federal law governing or applicable to WDEQ and EQC, in accordance with W.S. 16-3-103(j). The rules were also modified in order to update and clarify requirements applicable to rulemaking, petitions for award of costs and expenses under W.S. 35-11-437(f), director review involving surface coal mining operations, hearings before the department, and very rare or uncommon areas. A copy of the chapters and a copy of the certification page are enclosed.

The Environmental Quality Council adopted the modified rules at a public hearing at the Herschler Building, Room 1699, 122 W 25<sup>th</sup> St, Cheyenne, Wyoming on March 22, 2017. The final rule was filed with the Wyoming Secretary of State on April 24, 2017.

If you have any questions concerning this rule adoption, please contact Gina Thompson at 307-777-7343 or at [gina.thompson@wyo.gov](mailto:gina.thompson@wyo.gov).

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Enclosures: Copy of Chapters 1-7 and 9, Certification page

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