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## Environmental Services

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## Public hearing and deadline on Air Quality rules extended to Jan. 22

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or [Christine.Paulson@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Christine.Paulson@dnr.iowa.gov).

DES MOINES—The public will have an extra day to comment on proposed air quality rule changes as the public hearing and comment deadline move to Jan. 22, 2019.

The public can make verbal or written comments at the public hearing rescheduled to 1 p.m., Jan. 22, in the DNR's fourth floor conference room, 502 E. Ninth St in Des Moines. Visitors should check in at fourth floor reception desk.

Known as Regulatory Certainty Part 3, the state rule changes will incorporate revisions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's air toxic standards. Another change requires Title V facilities to use electronic emissions reporting starting with reports due March 31, 2019. This change should simplify industries' reporting requirements.

Send written comments on the proposed changes to Christine Paulson, Iowa DNR, 502 E. Ninth St., Des Moines, IA 50319; by email to [Christine.Paulson@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Christine.Paulson@dnr.iowa.gov); or by fax to 515-725-9501. DNR must receive comments by 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 22.

Find more information on DNR's [Public Input](#) webpage. Or contact Christine Paulson by email or by calling 515-725-9510.

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## DNR south central field office moving Jan. 7

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WINDSOR HEIGHTS – After five years in Windsor Heights, DNR's Field Office 5, serving 18 counties in south central Iowa, will move to Des Moines.

Find field office staff on the fourth floor of the Wallace Building at 502 E. Ninth St. Visitors can check in at the reception desk. Park in the free parking ramp on Grand and Pennsylvania avenues just west of the Wallace Building.

Staff phone numbers and emails will remain the same, including their main number of 515-725-0268, answered during normal business hours. For after hours, weekends and holidays, the 24-hour environmental emergency reporting number remains 515-725-8694.

The field office is one of six regional locations in DNR's Field Services and Compliance Bureau. Field offices are local contacts for technical help in protecting Iowa's air, land and water resources. "Coaching for compliance," is the field staff approach to ensure industries, municipalities and citizens comply with Iowa's environmental programs.

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## Air Quality permits under review

**MEDIA CONTACT:** Sarah Piziali, DNR, at 515-725-9549  
or [Sarah.Piziali@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Sarah.Piziali@dnr.iowa.gov) for construction permits.

DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect Iowans' health and the air where we live. DNR's permitting staff review the applications to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality standards. The public has the right and is encouraged to comment on draft permits. DNR considers [public comments](#) before finalizing the permits. Submit comments in writing to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the public comment period.

### Construction Permits

DNR engineers review and issue construction permits to facilities before they build new or modified sources of air pollution. The public may review the following air quality construction permits available online at [www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch](http://www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch).

### Woodbury County

CF Industries Nitrogen, LLC – Port Neal Nitrogen Complex, 1182 260<sup>th</sup> St., Sergeant Bluff. Project No. 18-328, Permit amendments to update the maximum rated capacity of three emission units and corresponding emission limits. In addition, alternative monitoring language was added to the flare permits. The public comment period goes from Dec. 21, 2018, to Jan. 21, 2019, and requests for a public hearing must be submitted by Jan. 7, 2019.

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## DNR enforcement actions

**MEDIA CONTACT:** Kelli Book, DNR, at 515-725-9572 or [Kelli.Book@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:Kelli.Book@dnr.iowa.gov).

DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, the DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at [www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions](http://www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions).

**Consent Orders** A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

**Black Hawk County**

Deere & Company

Establishes a compliance plan to achieve compliance with all applicable air quality requirements at the Product Engineering Center.

**Administrative Orders**

Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the order or 60 days to pay the penalty.

**Hamilton County**

Jayson Schlafke

Submit manure management plan update and fee and pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000.