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Today's Federal Register contains the <u>proposed Lead and Copper Rule</u>

<u>Revisions</u>(LCRR, .pdf, 91 pages) and requests public comment. This rule affects all community and nontransient noncommunity public water supply systems. From the preamble "This proposed rule also strengthens procedures and requirements related to health protection and the implementation of the existing Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) in the following areas:

- · lead tap sampling;
- · corrosion control treatment;
- lead service line replacement;
- · consumer awareness; and
- public education.

This proposal does not include revisions to the copper requirements of the existing LCR.

In addition, this proposal includes new requirements for community water systems to conduct lead in drinking water testing and public education in schools and child care facilities."

The public comment period ends on January 13, 2020. The first page of the document describes how to submit comments on the proposed rule to the public docket.

FY 2020 Third Quarter IUP Updates Ready for Public Review

The Fiscal Year 2020 Intended Use Plan (IUP) Third Quarter Update for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) are available for public review and comment at the following locations:

Clean Water SRF

Drinking Water SRF

The IUPs cover the period of July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020. Public comments are welcome. Draft project lists are also available for review.

A public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2019, in the Wallace State Office Building, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, IA. The meeting will be held in the 5th floor East conference room at 10:00 a.m. Participants should check in at the 4th floor DNR reception desk. Written comments will be accepted through Thursday, November 21, 2019. It is anticipated that the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission will act on the IUPs at their December 17, 2019, meeting.

Questions and written comments should be directed to Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator, theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov.

Save the Date: Retirements in FO3

Julie Sievers and Bryon Whiting, two long-time DNR Field Office 3 Senior Environmental Specialists, will be retiring at the end of the year. A retirement celebration for them will be held on December 18, 2019, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the lowa Lakes Community College in Spencer, 1900 Grand Avenue. Please use the west entrance.

Iowa DNR WS Staff Speaking Engagements

lowa DNR staff in the water supply program areas are scheduled to speak at the following events. The date, sponsor and event, location, subject, and contact for more information are listed.

- November 19-21, IAMU Water and Wastewater Operator's Workshop, Des Moines, "Southwest Iowa Flooding Event; Manganese testing." <u>Information and registration</u>.
- January 30, 2020, Iowa Water Quality Association's Winter Meeting, Des Moines, "Manganese: Emerging Contaminant of Concern and City of Bagley Case Study." <u>Information and registration</u> not yet available.

For other professional development opportunities, see the "Training Calendar" at programs.iowadnr.gov/opcertweb/.