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DES MOINES— The Environmental Protection Commission will review adopted and final rules to consolidate regulations related to solid waste and consider contract amendments with Iowa State University, the University of Iowa and the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities, as well as a contract with the City of Coralville for the Coralville Green Infrastructure Equality Project, at its Feb. 21 meeting.

The meeting starts at 10 a.m. in DNR's second floor north conference room, 502 E. Ninth St., Des Moines. The public can also attend via video conference or by phone. To join by video, connect with <https://meet.google.com/rzo-uidn-tvg>. To join by phone, call 631-618-4607, and enter the PIN code of 484 733 354 followed by the pound (#) sign. The meeting is open to the public. Written comments may be submitted up to one day before the meeting to Alicia Plathe at Alicia.Plathe@dnr.iowa.gov or to Alicia Plathe at DNR, 502 E. Ninth St., Des Moines, IA 50319.

Commissioners will be asked to approve an adopted and final rulemaking to consolidate regulations in several chapters of Iowa Administrative Code related to solid waste. The rulemaking rescinds redundant rules and simplifies chapters.

Commissioners will be asked to approve one contract and three contract amendments:

- Contract with the City of Coralville to support the Coralville Green Infrastructure Equality Project.
- Contract amendment with Iowa State University to extend a contract for the collection of water quality data through spring of 2025.
- Contract amendment with the State Hygienic Laboratory at the University of Iowa to retain a contractor for analysis of drinking water samples as part of the DNR's PFAS Action Plan.

- Contract amendment with the Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities in Ankeny to add lead service line inventory completion and lead service line replacement plan development to a contractor's task list of technical assistance.

Find the complete agenda and more information under the [Environmental Protection Commission](#) section of the DNR's website.

Commissioners include: Harold Hommes, chair, Windsor Heights; Stephanie Dykshorn, vice chair, Ireton; Amy Echard, secretary, Farmersburg; Brad Bleam, Rockwell City; Rebecca Dostal, Traer; Patricia Foley, Huxley; Lisa Gochenour, Logan; Ralph Lents, Menlo; and Mark Stutsman, Hills. Kayla Lyon is the DNR director.

Any person participating in the public meeting who has special requirements such as those related to mobility or hearing impairments should contact the DNR or ADA Coordinator at 515-725-8200, Relay Iowa TTY Service 800-735-7942, or Webmaster@dnr.iowa.gov, and advise of specific needs.

New groundwater hazard statement rule now in effect

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Changes to the groundwater hazard statement are now in effect.

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources' rule changes to Iowa Administrative Code 561–Chapter 9 became effective Feb. 15, 2023.

The new groundwater hazard statement form can be found on the [Iowa DNR's website](#) (<https://www.iowadnr.gov/Portals/idnr/uploads/forms/5420960.pdf>). The form makes it clear when a condition is present and provides instruction on when to submit the form and when to include statutory language on the deed in lieu of the form.

The full adopted and filed rule making, including the amendments to the rules, is available digitally here: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/aco/arc/6790C.pdf>. The rule making, ARC 6790C, was published Jan. 11, 2023.

DNR enforcement actions

MEDIA CONTACT: Tamara McIntosh, DNR, at 515-725-8242 or Tamara.McIntosh@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

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.

Decatur County

James and Debbie Whistler

Cease hauling and storing waste tires above the 500 tire limit; cease illegal open burning; comply with all solid waste and open burning laws in the future; and pay a \$5,000 administrative penalty.

Air Quality permits under review

MEDIA CONTACT: Marnie Stein, DNR, at 515-725-9525 or Marnie.Stein@dnr.iowa.gov for Title V permits.

DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect Iowans' health and air quality. DNR's permitting staff review each permit application to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality requirements. We encourage public comments on draft permits, providing help on how to make effective comments. Submit written comments to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the comment period. DNR considers public comments before finalizing the permits.

Title V Operating Permits

Title V Operating permits are reviewed and re-issued every five years. Facilities with a Title V permit have the potential to emit large amounts of air pollutants compared to other facilities. The five-year reviews are a federal requirement and ensure adequate monitoring is included in the permit. The DNR plans to issue Title V Operating Permits for the following facilities. Find permit details at www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft.

Black Hawk County

John Deere Foundry Waterloo – 2000 Westfield Ave, Waterloo.

The application was submitted to operate their existing Gray and Ductile Iron Foundries facility. The public comment period ends March 18.

O'Brien County

Ag Processing Inc - Sheldon – 804 2nd Ave, Sheldon.

The application was submitted to operate their existing Soybean Oil Mills facility. The public comment period ends March 18.