

Date: November 23, 2009

To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Dick Pedersen, Director

Subject: Agenda item F, action item: Annual EQC designation of involvement in the DEQ 2010-2011 rulemaking agenda
December 10-11, 2009 EQC Meeting

Why this is important The annual rulemaking agenda is an opportunity for commissioners to indicate how they want to engage in upcoming 2010-11 rulemaking proceedings before the Environmental Quality Commission amends, adopts or repeals the rule.

Background The Department of Environmental Quality uses Oregon Administrative Rules under EQC's jurisdiction to implement Oregon laws. When Oregon Administrative Rules no longer meet evolving needs, DEQ proposes changes. EQC is DEQ's policy and rulemaking board that considers the proposal before making a final decision.

Attachment A provides a short description of the 32 potential rule changes on the DEQ 2010-2011 rulemaking agenda, which is arranged by program. The program administrator or manager will provide additional information about each item during the EQC presentation. Attachment C is a worksheet for commissioners to designate their involvement in eight rulemakings new to the agenda and reaffirm their 2008 designations.

DEQ recommendation DEQ recommends EQC members complete attachment C during the staff presentation for each potential rulemaking and give completed worksheets to the EQC assistant at the close of this agenda item.

Key issues There are no key issues.

Attachments

- A. Potential 2010-2011 DEQ rulemakings
- B. Estimated schedule for rulemaking proceedings
- C. EQC worksheet for designating 2010-2011 rulemaking involvement

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