

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, HEARING

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Department of Environmental Quality

Agency and Division

OAR Chapter 340

Administrative Rules Chapter Number

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RULE CAPTION

Clean Water State Revolving Fund - Use of Federal Funds

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Date and Time August 2, 2010 6:00p	Location Conf. Room EQC-A, 10 th Floor DEQ Headquarters 811 SW Sixth Ave Portland, OR	Hearings Officer Larry McAllister - DEQ
Date and Time August 2, 2010 6:00p	Location Suite 101 Jackson County Justice Center 1101 W. Main Street Medford, OR	Hearings Officer Jaime Isaza - DEQ
Date and Time August 3, 2010 6:00p	Location Cascade Room St. Anthony's Hospital 1601 SE Court Avenue Pendleton, OR	Hearings Officer Larry McAllister - DEQ

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RULEMAKING ACTION

ADOPT: NA

AMEND: OAR 340-054-0010; 340-054-0025; 340-054-0065

REPEAL: NA

RENUMBER: NA

AMEND AND RENUMBER: NA

Stat. Auth.: ORS 468.020; ORS 468.423 - 468.440

Other Authority: NA

Stats. Implemented: ORS 468.423 - 468.440

RULE SUMMARY

These rule revisions will align Oregon's Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan program with changes in federal requirements. This rulemaking amends the Department of Environmental Quality's loan program in OAR 340-054-0025 and 0065 to establish a green project financial reserve and allow additional subsidization respectively, as required by federal appropriations. A minor, clarifying edit is made in OAR 340-054-0010 to include a definition for principal forgiveness.

The rulemaking, if adopted, will allow the Department of Environmental Quality to set aside 20% of its annual CWSRF capitalization grant as a reserve to fund qualifying green projects, and provide additional subsidization in the form of principal forgiveness to eligible loan applicants. This rulemaking may affect public entities (cities, counties, various public districts and tribal nations) eligible for funding through the Department's Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan program.

To request additional information regarding this rulemaking, please contact:

Larry McAllister at the Department of Environmental Quality, call toll free in Oregon 800-452-4011 or local 503 229-6412.

You may also visit DEQ's proposed administrative rules webpage
<http://www.deq.state.or.us/regulations/proposedrules.htm>

To comment on this rulemaking, submit your comments to:

Larry McAllister, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, 811 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, or by fax to 503 229-6037, or by email to SRFrule@deq.state.or.us (if you do not receive an auto response to your emailed comments, contact staff listed above).

Monday, August 9, 2010, 5 p.m.

Last day to receive public comments

ORS 183.335(2)(b)(G), The Department of Environmental Quality requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

Maggie Vandehey June 14, 2010

Signature and Date

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Printed name

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