## **Wyoming Environmental Quality Council**

Proposed Revisions to Chapter 1, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations – Surface Water Quality Standards

The Wyoming Environmental Quality Council (EQC) will consider proposed revisions to Chapter 1, Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations – Surface Water Quality Standards.

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Water Quality Division, pursuant to the authority vested in it by the Environmental Quality Act, Wyoming Statutes 35-11-101 to 1507 et seq., proposes to amend and revise Chapter 1 of the Wyoming Water Quality Rules and Regulations (Chapter 1). Chapter 1 contains the quality standards for surface waters in the state including water classifications, designation of protected uses, numeric and narrative water quality criteria, and implementation policies. These proposed revisions are directly related to Section 20, Agricultural Water Supply in the form of a new appendix (Appendix H) which serves to interpret the Section 20 narrative standard into procedures for setting effluent limits and conditions in Wyoming Pollution Discharge Elimination System (WYPDES) permits.

Persons wishing to submit comments on the DEQ/WQD proposed revisions should do so on or before August 26, 2008, to the following address: DEQ/Water Quality Division, ATTN: David Waterstreet, 122 West 25th Street, Herschler Building- 4W, Cheyenne, WY 82002. Copies of this proposed rule and the Statement of Principal Reasons are available for review the following internet at http://deg.state.wy.us/wqd/watershed/surfacestandards/index.asp, or from the Department of Environmental Quality. Persons may request a copy of the proposed rules by contacting Connie Osborne at 307-777-5593, fax at 307-777-5973; email address: cosbor@state.wv.us. Questions regarding the proposed rules may be directed to David Waterstreet at 307-777-6709.

The WDEQ/WQD will file an analysis of the comments received from this notice. The EQC will schedule and publish notice of the public hearing when it is scheduled. The EQC will consider the proposed rules, written comments and the analysis of comments along with any modifications, proposed by the WDEQ/WQD, to the draft rules. At the public hearing, oral statements that focus on the written comments, the Department of Environmental Quality's analysis of comments and issues raised by the analysis will be accepted.

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