



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF REGULATORY WORKSHOP

Date of Workshop -- June 28, 2006

Notice of Workshop for the Amendment of Regulations of the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection

The Administrator, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada will hold public workshop at the following locations:

**4th Floor South Conference Room
901 South Stewart Street
Carson City, Nevada
Time: 10:00 am
Date: June 28, 2006**

The purpose of this workshop is to receive comments from all interested persons regarding the Amendment of regulations that pertain to Chapter 349 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

The Administrator is proposing various changes to the regulations governing Grants for Capital Improvements to Publicly Owned Water Systems Regulations, NAC 349.430 to NAC 349.574, inclusive. The Grants for Capital Improvements to Publicly Owned Water Systems program is designed to assist publicly owed water systems comply with State and Federal Safe Drinking Water Regulations. The proposed amendments to the Grants for Capital Improvements to Publicly Owned Water Systems Regulations are necessary due to the program being moved from the Division of Water Planning to the Division of Environmental Protection and additional programs being authorized by the Legislature.

The proposed regulation changes primarily focus on three items:

1. Changing references to the Division of Water Planning to the Division of Environmental Protection;
2. Changing the appropriate regulations to allow the Board for Financing Water Projects to award grants for water conservation projects, projects to abandon domestic wells and connect homes to a community water system, and projects to abandon private septic tanks and connect those homes to a community sewer system; and
3. A change that the grant application fee will no longer be reimbursed as part of the grant.

The regulation does not have any adverse or beneficial effects. The regulation merely changes wording to reflect changes in internal agency organization and reflects the current programmatic reality with regard to application fees.

Persons wishing to comment or object to any of the Administrator's proposed regulation changes may do so by attending the Workshop and making public comment, or should submit their comment, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication either in person or by mail to:

Division of Environmental Protection
Office of Financial Assistance
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the proposed regulation changes. If the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The proposed changes to the regulations for Grants for Capital Improvements to Publicly Owned Water Systems are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Michelle Stamates at (775) 687-9331.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, shall issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption, and incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.

This Notice of Hearing has been posted at the following locations:

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
901 South Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Nevada State Library
100 North Stewart Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
1771 East Flamingo Road Suite 121-A
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

The Main Public Library
In each County that the Division of
Environmental Protection does
not maintain an office

Additional Regulatory Information

NRS 233B.0603 Contents and form of notice of intent to adopt, amend or repeal regulation; solicitation of comments from public and affected businesses.

1. The notice of intent to act upon a regulation must:

(e) Be mailed to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed upon a mailing list, which must be kept by the agency for that purpose.

(f) Be submitted to the legislative counsel bureau for inclusion in the register of administrative regulations created pursuant to NRS 233B.0653. The publication of a notice of intent to act upon a regulation in the register does not satisfy the requirements for notice set forth in paragraph (e) of this subsection.

NRS 233B.0607 Proposed regulation: Filing; availability; contents.

1. The agency shall at the time of giving the notice:

(a) Deposit one copy of the notice and text of the proposed regulation with the state library and archives administrator;

(b) Keep at least one copy of the notice and text available in each of its offices from the date of the notice to the date of the hearing, for inspection and copying by the public; and

(c) If the agency does not maintain an office in a county, deposit one copy of the notice and text with the librarian of the main public library in the county.