

**IDAPA 20 – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS**

**20.03.15 – RULES GOVERNING GEOTHERMAL LEASING ON IDAHO STATE LANDS**

**DOCKET NO. 20-0315-2401**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES –  
ZERO-BASED REGULATION (ZBR) NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING**

**AUTHORITY:** In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment and input prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 47-1603, Idaho Code.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** Public meetings on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

<p><b>Thursday, March 28, 2024 9:00 a.m. (MT)</b></p>
<p><b>Idaho Department of Lands Boise Staff Office Garnet Conference Room 300 N. 6th Street, Suite 103 Boise, ID 83702</b></p> <p><b>To attend by Zoom: <a href="https://idl.zoom.us/j/88235106161?pwd=c2xZemsrS2dSaDZyVUZwTENoSUZFQT09">https://idl.zoom.us/j/88235106161?pwd=c2xZemsrS2dSaDZyVUZwTENoSUZFQT09</a> To attend by telephone call: 1 (408) 638-0968 Meeting ID: 882 3510 6161 Passcode: 479544</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, April 10, 2024 9:00 a.m. (MT)</b></p>
<p><b>Idaho Department of Lands Boise Staff Office Garnet Conference Room 300 N. 6th Street, Suite 103 Boise, ID 83702</b></p> <p><b>To attend by Zoom: <a href="https://idl.zoom.us/j/88235106161?pwd=c2xZemsrS2dSaDZyVUZwTENoSUZFQT09">https://idl.zoom.us/j/88235106161?pwd=c2xZemsrS2dSaDZyVUZwTENoSUZFQT09</a> To attend by telephone call: 1 (408) 638-0968 Meeting ID: 882 3510 6161 Passcode: 479544</b></p>

If additional meetings are scheduled, the dates, times, and locations will be posted on the Idaho Department of Lands website at <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/docket-20-0315-2401>.

The meeting site(s) will be accessible to persons with disabilities, if needed. Requests for accommodation must be made not later than five (5) days prior to the meeting to the agency address below.

**METHOD OF PARTICIPATION:** Those interested in participating in the negotiated rulemaking process are encouraged to attend scheduled meetings in person, via Zoom at the link provided, or by conference call using the number listed in this notice. Those interested may also submit written comments within the comment period by sending them to the address below or by email to [rulemaking@idl.idaho.gov](mailto:rulemaking@idl.idaho.gov).

Upon conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary. The summary will be made available to interested persons who contact the agency, and the summary will be posted on the agency website.

**DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:** The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principal issues involved:

The proposed changes seek to comply with [Executive Order 2020-01: Zero-Based Regulation](#). The Department will begin the negotiated rulemaking process, including, but not limited to, legal and internal review of the rule, as well as review with stakeholders to ensure the rules provide appropriate guidance for lessees, interested parties, and the Department.

**ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, OBTAINING DRAFT COPIES:** For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a preliminary draft copy of the rule text, contact Mike Murphy at (208) 334-0290. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the agency web site at the following web address: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/docket-20-0315-2401>.

**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS:** Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before April 19, 2024.

Any additional public comment opportunities will be posted on the agency website at <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/docket-20-0315-2401>.

DATED this 9th day of February, 2024.

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