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Rulemaking Update

(BOISE) – The Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) initiated negotiated rulemaking in June for three sets of administrative rules. The IDL is continuing negotiated rulemaking on another set of rules. The IDL will hold negotiated rulemaking public meetings in June for all four sets of rules.

FIRE – IDAPA 20.04.01, Rules Pertaining to Forest Fire Protection

The IDL is continuing its negotiated rulemaking for the “fire rules.” The IDL is proposing to introduce new fire protection standards specific to forest management operations conducted on state, private and federal forestlands in Idaho. Proposed changes could lessen the risk of fire starts from forest operation activities during periods of elevated fire danger. The rules affect forest landowners, loggers, forest industry operators, heavy equipment operators, and other people engaging in forest management activities during fire season.

Upcoming public meetings:

Tuesday, June 12 in Coeur d'Alene

Wednesday, June 13 in Orofino

Thursday, June 14 in McCall

Details here: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/20.04.01/index.html>

PUBLIC TRUST LANDS – IDAPA 20.03.04, Rules Governing the Regulation of Beds, Waters, and Airspace over Navigable Lakes in the State of Idaho

The IDL is proposing changes related to the size of boat garages, definition of “dock rights,” and application costs for encroachment permits for riprap, a type of nonnavigational encroachment. The IDL also is proposing rule changes that allow IDL to provide a notice of noncompliance to anyone who may be in violation of administrative rules. Other proposed changes would enable IDL to develop a web-based portal and information management system, allowing for submittal of applications and other documents electronically.

Upcoming public meetings:

Monday, June 25 in McCall

Tuesday, June 26 in Coeur d'Alene

Wednesday, June 27 in Sandpoint

Monday, July 16 in Idaho Falls

Details here: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/20.03.04/index.html>

MINING – IDAPA 20.03.02, Rules Governing Exploration, Surface Mining, and Closure of Cyanidation Facilities

Proposed changes would enable IDL to develop a web-based portal and information management system, allowing for submittal of applications and other documents electronically. Other proposed changes relate to the cost of surface mining reclamation bonds and requirements for potential and current operators within the 100-year floodplain. The IDL is proposing additional minor changes to clean up the rules.

Upcoming public meetings:

Wednesday, June 13 in Coeur d'Alene

Thursday, June 21 in Pocatello

Tuesday, June 26 in Boise

Details here: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/20.03.02/index.html>

MINING – IDAPA 20.03.01, Rules Governing Dredge and Placer Mining Operations in Idaho

Proposed changes would enable IDL to develop a web-based portal and information management system, allowing for submittal of applications and other documents electronically. Additional proposed changes include adding specific sections of the water quality administrative rules to help clarify and direct potential permittees to pertinent rules. The IDL is proposing additional minor changes to clean up the rules.

Upcoming public meetings:

Wednesday, June 13 in Coeur d'Alene

Friday, June 22 in Pocatello

Wednesday, June 27 in Boise

Details here: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/rulemaking/20.03.01/index.html>

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