

**IDAPA 58 – DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**58.01.20 – RULES FOR ADMINISTRATION OF DRINKING WATER LOAN PROGRAM**

**DOCKET NO. 58-0120-1901**

**NOTICE OF NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING**

**AUTHORITY:** In compliance with Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate a rule and desires public participation before publishing a proposed rule. This rulemaking action is authorized by Chapters 1 and 76, Title 39, Idaho Code.

**METHOD OF PARTICIPATION:** Those interested in participating in the negotiated rulemaking process are encouraged to attend the meeting at one of the following locations. The public may participate by telephone and web conferencing at any of the meeting locations or with individual connections. Individuals interested in participating by telephone and web conferencing should contact the undersigned by the date provided in the table below. For those who cannot participate by attending the meeting, information for submitting written comments is provided at the end of this notice.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** A negotiated rulemaking meeting has been scheduled. Any additional meeting dates will be posted at [www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901).

<b>*ORIGINATING LOCATION – LIVE MEETING*</b>	
<b>DEQ State Office Conference Center 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho</b>	
<b>Tuesday, August 27th, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (MDT)</b>	
<b>Contact the undersigned by August 20, 2019, to make arrangements for participation by telephone and web conferencing.</b>	
<b>*TELEPHONE AND WEB CONFERENCE LOCATIONS*</b>	
<b>DEQ Coeur d’Alene Regional Office 2110 Ironwood Parkway Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814</b>	<b>DEQ Lewiston Regional Office 1118 F Street Lewiston, ID 83501</b>
<b>DEQ Twin Falls Regional Office 650 Addison Avenue West, Suite 110 Twin Falls, ID 83301</b>	<b>DEQ Pocatello Regional Office 444 Hospital Way #300 Pocatello, ID 83201</b>
<b>DEQ Idaho Falls Regional Office 900 N. Skyline, Suite B Idaho Falls, ID 83402</b>	

The meeting locations will be accessible to persons with disabilities, and language translators will be made available upon request. Requests for these accommodations must be made no later than five (5) days prior to the meeting date. For arrangements, contact the undersigned.

**PRELIMINARY DRAFT RULE:** The preliminary draft rule is available at [www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901).

**DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY:** DEQ initiated this rulemaking in response to [Executive Order No. 2019-02](#), Red Tape Reduction Act, issued by Governor Little on January 21, 2019. Upon review of its existing rules, DEQ

determined that its two revolving loan rule chapters could be simplified and consolidated into a single chapter. DEQ proposes to delete 58.01.20, Rules for Administration of Drinking Water Loan Program, and merge necessary and relevant sections of IDAPA 58.01.20 with IDAPA 58.01.12, Rules for Administration of Water Pollution Control Loans. DEQ has initiated a separate rulemaking for the revisions to IDAPA 58.01.12 (Docket No. 58-0112-1901).

The text of the rule will be drafted by DEQ in conjunction with a negotiating committee made up of persons having an interest in the development of this rule. Prospective grant and loan recipients, consulting engineers, grant and loan administrators, other funding agencies, public officials representing various counties and cities, and the public at large may be interested in participating in this rulemaking. Upon conclusion of negotiations, DEQ intends to publish a proposed rule for public comment.

**ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS:** For assistance on questions concerning this rulemaking, contact Tim Wendland at [tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:tim.wendland@deq.idaho.gov) or (208) 373-0439.

**SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS:** Written comments may be submitted by mail, fax or email at the address below. The written comment deadline on the preliminary draft rule is September 12, 2019. Information regarding public comment opportunities provided throughout the rulemaking process will be available at [www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901](http://www.deq.idaho.gov/58-0120-1901). To sign up for email notifications, contact Paula Wilson at [paula.wilson@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:paula.wilson@deq.idaho.gov).

Dated this 7th day of August, 2019.

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