Housing Impact for: Increase water quality permit fees to address program costs

To comply with <u>ORS 183.534</u>, DEQ determined the proposed rules would have an effect on the development cost of a 6,000-square-foot parcel and construction of a 1,200-square-foot detached single-family dwelling on that parcel.

A builder of a 6,000-square-foot parcel would be required to pay \$243, which is a \$7 increase from the existing fee of \$236, for a construction stormwater permit, if the parcel is part of a common plan of development disturbing one or more acres. A builder of a 6,000-square-foot parcel that is not part of a common plan of development disturbing one or more acres would not be required to obtain a construction stormwater permit, and consequently would not be required to pay the permit fee. While the fee would not likely have significant impact on new housing projects, the fee could affect projects by altering construction costs that are agreed upon between a builder and the buyer. DEQ estimates that home builders would likely pass the permit cost to home buyers.