Offstream Small Scale Mining – Proposed Permit Application Fee

DEQ is hosting two advisory committee meetings to gather input on the fiscal impact of a proposed application fee for the offstream small scale mining permit (WPCF 600).

The current application fee is $0 for the offstream mining permit for operations processing less than five cubic yards of material per day or less than 1,500 cubic yards per year. DEQ is proposing an application fee of **$24** to begin to recover costs associated with issuing the permit.

The purpose of these advisory committee meetings is to gather stakeholders and ask for input on the proposed fee. Issues with the permit conditions will not be considered.

* THE PROPOSED FEE **DOES NOT** AFFECT SUCTION DREDGE MINING (700-PM).
* The proposed fee is for placer and hard rock offstream small scale mining (WPCF 600).
* The proposed fee would affect only those who are applying for a permit.
* Existing permittees **would not** be affected by the proposed fee.
* DEQ is **not** proposing changes to the annual fee for this permit type.
* DEQ is **not** proposing changes to the application or annual fee for offstream mining operations that process 1,500 to 10,000 cubic yards of material per year.

Meeting Schedule:

June 10, 2013

6 p.m.

Baker County Library

2400 Resort Street
Baker City, OR 97814

June 12, 2013

6 p.m.

Jackson County Library

205 South Central AvenueMedford, OR 97501

The meeting will begin with a brief review of the proposal, followed by input from attendees.

If you would like for your group/association/organization to be represented, please send one or two representatives to a meeting listed above.

Please RSVP if you plan on sending a representative from your organization.

Thank you.