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On Dec. 12, the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission adopted revisions to the state’s toxics water quality standards. The amendments address EPA’s Jan. 31, 2013 disapproval of several aquatic life toxics criteria, specifically criteria associated with 11 pesticides and selenium. The rulemaking also reinstates criteria for arsenic and chromium VI which had been omitted from the table in error during an earlier rulemaking. In addition, DEQ consolidated all the effective aquatic life toxics criteria into one new table (Table 30). Following EPA approval, the amendments would become applicable on April 18, 2014.

# For more details on the revisions, please see DEQ’s “Corrections and Clarifications to Toxics Water Quality Standards Rulemaking” web page at: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/standards/StandardsClarification.htm>.

# For general information on water quality standards for toxic pollutants, see the following website: <http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/standards/toxics.htm>; or contact:

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