On June 16, 2014, once web staff publish the Notice, we’ll send two announcements through GovDelivery:

1. We’ll send the below announcement to the subscription groups: Air Quality Permits, Rulemaking, Title V Permit Program public. These three groups include people (the public, not necessarily all permit holders) who subscribed themselves to receive updates from DEQ.

Subject line: **DEQ proposes revisions to air quality permitting, Heat Smart, and gasoline dispensing facility rules**

**Proposed Air Quality Rule Changes and Updates**

DEQ proposes revisions to its air quality permitting, Heat Smart, and gasoline dispensing facility rules:

* Clarify and update air quality rules
* Update particulate matter emission standards
* Change permitting requirements for emergency generators and small natural gas or oil-fired equipment
* Establish two new state air quality area designations – “sustainment” and “reattainment” – to help areas avoid and more quickly end a federal nonattainment designation
* Identify Lakeview as a state sustainment area while retaining its federal attainment designation
* Change the pre-construction permitting program ( New Source Review)
* Provide more flexibility for public hearings and meetings
* Re-establish woodstove replacement program (Heat Smart) exemption for small commercial solid fuel boilers that the permitting program regulates
* Remove annual reporting requirements for small fuel dispensing facilities

DEQ requests public comment on the proposed rules. To consider comments on the proposed rules, DEQ must receive the comment by **5:00 p.m., July 31, 2014**. DEQ will hold public hearings **Jul. 16, 2014**. [Click here](http://www.oregon.gov/deq/RulesandRegulations/Pages/2014/aqperm.aspx.) to view the rulemaking documents and details about the public comment period, including the time and location of hearings and how to submit comments.

DEQ plans to take the final proposal including any modifications made in response to public comments to the EQC for decision at the January 2015 meeting. If adopted, DEQ will submit the rules to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a revision to the State Implementation Plan as required by the Clean Air Act.

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