Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

Housing cost

Air quality permitting, Heat Smart, and gasoline dispensing facility updates

To comply with [ORS 183.534](http://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/183.534), DEQ determined the following three categories of the proposed rules may 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.

**Update particulate matter emission standards:** The costs of compliance could be passed through by businesses providing products and services for such development and construction.

**Change permitting requirements for emergency generators and small natural gas or oil-fired equipment:** The costs for additional permits could be passed through by businesses providing products and services for such development and construction.

**Change the New Source Review preconstruction permitting program:** The costs for additional permits, control or process equipment could be passed through by businesses providing products and services for such development and construction.

The possible impact of these proposed changes appears to be minimal. DEQ cannot quantify the impact at this time because the available information does not indicate whether the costs would be passed on to consumers and any such estimate would be speculative.

The other proposed changes do not have an effect on housing costs. The other proposed changes would make it easier for people to use and understand air quality rules, modernize methods allowed for holding public hearings and meetings, remove reporting requirements, affect the sales of small biomass boilers, and affect whether businesses can construct or modify air contaminant sources in sustainment or reattainment areas.