

Priority Rating	
Driver	Order of Importance
Responds to political influence (Director or higher)	10
Implements court order	9
Provides program funding	8
Aligns with state or federal regulations	7
Keeps a commitment such as to EPA	6
Enhances program/rule clarity and efficiency	5
Establishes/maintains relationships with other agencies	4
Aligns with current science applicable to Oregon	3
Provides economic incentives for pollution control and prevention	2
Enhances DEQ business processes	1

Risk Rating	
Risk	Severity
None	0
Low	1
Low to medium	3
Medium	5
Medium to high	7
High	9
Alarm	10

Using the Tables

1. The Drivers are the reasons for doing the rulemaking. They are listed in order from the most to least important. Select the highest ranked driver that applies to the rulemaking.
2. The Risk Rating is the risk of not doing the rulemaking in the next 3, 6, or 12 months. Select one number from the Risk Rating table to rank the risk of not starting the rulemaking for each time period: 3, 6, 12 months. Examples are a program exhausting its funding, or the EPA penalizing DEQ.
3. Provide these values, and the Resources and Considerations worksheets, to the Agency Rules Coordinator. Please provide some explanation of how you assigned a risk rating. A rulemaking is not necessarily urgent just because there is a specific consequence for inaction; where, for example, EPA requires action by a certain date, but will give us flexibility as long as we are making progress towards completing the action.