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Subject:	DEQ rulemaking; Comment period extended for Smoke Management 2018 - Notification required under ORS 183.335(15)
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Dear,

- Senate President Peter Courtney
- Speaker of the House Tina Kotek
- Senator Michael Dembrow
- Representative Ken Helm
- Representative Brian Clem

The Department of Environmental Quality is extending the comment period for the Smoke Management 2018 rulemaking until 4 p.m., Sept. 14, 2018.

Proposal Summary:

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and DEQ recently reviewed the Oregon Smoke Management Plan to evaluate the effectiveness of the smoke management program. As a result, ODF and DEQ are proposing changes to the plan under their respective authority:

- ODF is proposing amendments to their smoke management rules under OAR 629-048 and Operational Guidance for the Oregon Smoke Management Program, directive 1-4-1-601, which together comprise the plan.

- To incorporate ODF's amendments into the federally approved Oregon Clean Air Act State Implementation Plan, DEQ proposes amending OAR 340-200-0040.

The proposal is online at: Smoke Management 2018.

The Public Notice Package includes these documents:

Invitation to Comment – fact sheet that outlines the proposal and opportunities to comment

Proposed Rules – redline/strikethrough of the affected Oregon Administrative Rules

Notice – information and analysis required by APA; Model Rules; DEQ statutes, rules and best practices; and federal regulations

The comment period closes at 4 p.m. on September 14, 2018. DEQ plans to take the final proposal, including any modifications made in response to public comments, to the Environmental Quality Commission for decision at its November 2018 meeting in Portland.

If you have questions or comments, please contact. Peter Brewer, 541-633-2004, brewer.peter@deq.state.or.us

Sincerely,

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