

414th regular meeting of the Oregon Environmental Quality Commission



May 20, 2021: Teleconference

The commission met by teleconference. People could attend the regular meeting through the Zoom web conferencing platform, for audio and video, or by audio-only toll-free telephone line.

Please note, all listed times are approximate

12:15 p.m.

Welcome and meeting open

The commission will open the meeting and review the day's agenda.

12:20 p.m.

A. Informational item: Commissioner reports

Commissioners will provide verbal updates of their recent activities of interest to the commission and DEQ.

12:25 p.m.

B. Action item: Draft meeting minutes

Commissioners will review and take action on proposed draft minutes from recent EQC meetings.

12:30 p.m.

C. Action item: High Hazard Rail rules

DEQ will propose rules for requirements specific to transportation of oil products by rail, including contingency and emergency response planning and financial responsibilities for rail companies. These proposed rules clarify the High Hazard Rail program established by House Bill 2209 (2019 Legislative Session).

1:10 p.m.

D. Informational item: Clean Truck rulemaking update

DEQ will present information about the Clean Truck rulemaking process and rule development.

1:45 p.m.

E. Informational item: Climate Protection Program update

DEQ will present updates about the Climate Protection Program rulemaking process and policy design elements under consideration.

2:45 p.m.

Break

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2:55 p.m.

F. Public forum

The commission invites the public to present comments to the commission about environmental or public health issues of concern.

- Commenters are asked to limit statements to three minutes or less
- Time limits may be shortened by the commission to accommodate all people interested in presenting comments during this item.

3:55 p.m.

G. Employee recognition

The commission will recognize DEQ employees for their service and commitment to Oregon's environment.

4:05 p.m.

H. Informational: Director's report

Director Whitman will present written and verbal updates on agency activities and other issues of interest to the commission.

4:55 p.m.

Adjourn

5 p.m.

Executive session

Following the close of the regular meeting, the commission will hold an Executive Session. This executive session will be held pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) and (h).

Executive session is a closed meeting for commissioners, specific DEQ staff and staff from the Oregon Department of Justice, to discuss confidential legal information and updates. Per state law, members of the media may attend executive session; however, they may not report on the specifics or details of any discussions or information presented during executive session.

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