

Rulemaking Plan Review

Agenda Item E

Jan. 15, 2026

Environmental Quality Commission Meeting

DEQ Rule Project Proposal Process



Rulemaking Plan

- Approved rulemaking projects
- Preliminary timelines
- Description of purpose and scope

Pending rulemakings
There are 14 pending rulemakings in the current DEQ Rulemaking Plan. The table below provides the current schedule for each.

	2025											
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Dec. 12, 2024												
Legislative Session EOC Meeting	E		E		E		E			E		E
1. Vehicle Inspection Program Updates 2024	E											
2. Clean Fuels Program Updates 2024	E											
3. Willamette River Mainstem and Major Tributaries TMDL	E											
4. E-Cycles 2024	N	H				E						
5. Underground Storage Tanks 2025	N	H				E						
6. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) 2025		A		N	H		E					
7. Water Quality Fees 2025		A		N	H		E					
8. Air Quality Fees 2025				N				E				
9. PFAS 2025	A				N					E		
10. Onsite 2025		A		A		N	H					
11. Rogue River Basin temperature TMDL												
12. John Day River Basin temperature TMDL												
13. AQ Rules to Address Federal Regulations												
14. Coquille TMDL - TBD												

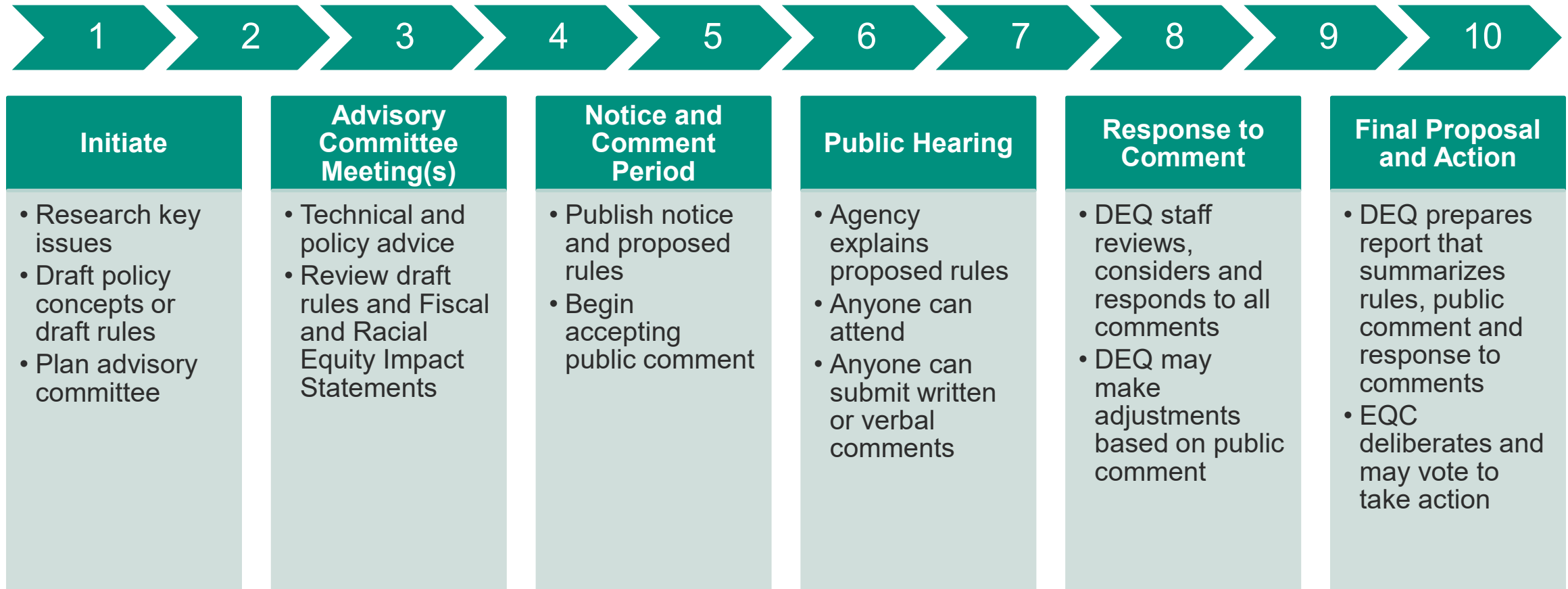
A – Advisory Committee N – Providing Notice (opening comment period) H – Public Hearing
E – EOC Meeting D – Director Delegated Decision



Rulemaking Plan 2024

Rulemaking Process

Time in Months



Current Rulemaking Plan

Air Quality	Land Quality	Water Quality	Office of Greenhouse Gas Programs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oregon Clean Vehicle Rebate Program• ACDP Fees• Volatile Organic Compounds• Landfills and Crematory Incinerators• Cleaner Air Oregon TRV Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recycling Modernization Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water Quality Fees• Umpqua River Basin Temperature TMDL• John Day River Basin Temperature TMDL• Snake River Temperature TMDL• Rogue River Temperature Basin Temperature TMDL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Climate Protection Program EITE• Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program Fees• Clean Fuels

Delegation of Final Adoption

- EQC is the rulemaking authority for DEQ
- ORS 183.325 provides authority for delegation
- **Streamlines process for procedural/administrative actions, saving commission time for more substantive issues**
- Criteria:
 - Permanent adoption of certain temporary rules
 - Limited or no policy discretion for the commission
 - Routine alignment with federal standards and other procedural maneuvers

Looking Forward

- 2026 Director delegation proposal (March)
- HB 3569 implementation (legislator participation on RACs)
- Strategic Plan Goal: *“Continue to enhance the decision-support functions and tools used to inform the work of the Environmental Quality Commission.”*

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