Rulemaking



Oregon Housing and Community Services

January 27, 2025

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Dear Partners,

OHCS is hosting a public hearing for the administrative rule that are being amended within the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and Oregon Energy Assistance Program, to align with the next biennium's master grant agreement. During this meeting, the Hearing Officer will be reviewing the drafted rule changes and provide an opportunity for public comment and feedback.

Date: 2/24/2025 TEAM Meeting:

Join the TEAMS Meeting HERE
Phone Number: 503-446-4951
Conference ID: 360512618
Time: 11:30 Am – 12:00 Pm
Hearing Officer: David Kaufman
Address: Virtual TEAMS Meeting

Accessibility Note: A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact our Administrative Rules Team at 503-986-6796, or email housinginfo@hcs.oregon.gov to make your request or the hearing officer listed in this rules notice.

Rules: 813-200-0008, 813-201-0108, 813-202-0007

Program: Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and Oregon Energy Assistance

Program





Caption: Corrects and adopts the newest version of the Energy Assistance Programs Operation Manual.

Summary: These rules adopt the most recent version of the LIHEAP and OEAP Program Operations Manual. Without this manual, there would not be a wholistic, parallel statewide approach for implementation. Additionally, this is proposing to permanently adopt this version without an outdated memo.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 456.555 **Statutes/Other Implemented:** ORS 456.505

Related Documents: LIHEAP State Plan for Oregon; Master Grant Agreement; LIHEAP and OEAP program guidelines (as incorporated in ORS 456.587 and 757.612).

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Hearing (attachment)

Public Comment: The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business. Persons interested in providing oral or written comments may submit them by contacting David Kaufman at David.Kaufman@HCS.Oregon.Gov

Comments will be accepted through March 3, 2025 at 5 PM

