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The Honorable Donald L. Carcieri
Governor of the State of Rhode Island
Executive Chambers - State House
Providence, RI 02903

Re: January 2007 DEM Regulatory Agenda

Dear Governor Carcieri:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 42-35-5.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I am pleased to provide you with the January 2007 Regulatory Agenda for the Department of Environmental Management.

The attached document provides a summary of the rules and regulations that DEM has filed since June 2006 and those it intends to promulgate in the coming months. As you know, we continue to work closely with several stakeholder groups on various initiatives relating to our regulatory programs, and we continue to track statutory and regulatory changes at the state and federal level. If, through these or any other avenues, the need arises to pursue additional measures, I will provide you with an updated agenda.

The attached document will be posted on the Department's web site at:
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Sincerely,

W. Michael Sullivan, Ph. D.
Director

cc: Speaker William J. Murphy
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Senate Majority Leader M. Teresa Paiva-Weed
House Majority Leader Gordon. D. Fox
House Minority Leader Robert A. Watson
Senate Minority Leader Dennis L. Algieri

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JANUARY 2007 REGULATORY AGENDA

Rules and Regulations Filed Since June 2006

Title of the Regulation As Filed with the Secretary of State's Office	Effective Date of the Regulation	Type of Filing
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XV - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs	1/10/2007 (Will expire on 4/10/2007)	Emergency Renewal Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part I - Legislative Findings	1/10/2007 (Will expire on 4/10/2007)	Emergency Renewal Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	1/8/2007	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	1/1/2007	Amendment
2007 Management Plan for the Crustacean Sector	12/25/2006	Adoption
2007 Management Plan for the Finfish Fishery Sector	12/25/2006	Adoption
2007 Management Plan for the Shellfish Fishery Sector	12/25/2006	Adoption
Rules and Regulations Governing the Management of Marine Fisheries	12/25/2006	Adoption
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part IV - Shellfish	12/11/2006	Amendment

RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	12/5/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XV - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs	11/22/2006	Amendment
Rules and Regulations Governing Importation and Possession of Native Wildlife	11/20/2006	Amendment
Rules and Regulations Governing Nuisance Wildlife Control Specialists	11/20/2006	Adoption
Rules and Regulations Governing Wildlife Rehabilitation	11/14/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	11/14/2006	Amendment
Rules and Regulations Relating to Pesticides	11/13/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part I - Legislative Findings	11/12/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XV - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs	11/12/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	10/31/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XII - Striped Bass	10/31/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	10/27/2006	Amendment
FY 2007 Project Priority List	10/4/2006	Adoption
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	10/6/2006	Amendment
RI Falconry Regulations for the 2006-2007 Season	10/4/2006	Adoption

RI Falconry Regulations for the 2006-2007 Season	10/4/2006	Technical Revision
RI Hunting Regulations for the Waterfowl Season 2006-2007	10/4/2006	Adoption
RI Hunting Regulations for the Waterfowl Season 2006-2007	10/4/2006	Technical Revision
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	9/25/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	9/22/2006	Amendment
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RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part I - Legislative Findings	9/12/2006	Emergency Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XV - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs	9/12/2006	Emergency Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XII - Striped Bass	9/1/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	8/29/2006	Amendment
Hunting Regulations for the 2006 - 2007 Season	8/17/2006	Adoption
Hunting Regulations for the 2006 - 2007 Season	8/17/2006	Technical Revision
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS - State Pilotage Commission Rules and Regulations	8/16/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	8/15/2006	Amendment

RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XV - Lobsters, Other Crustaceans, and Horseshoe Crabs	8/15/2006	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	8/1/2006	Amendment
Freshwater and Anadromous Fishing Regulations for the 2007 – 2008 Season	7/27/2006	Adoption
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	7/12/2006	Amendment

**Rules and Regulations
Proposed to be Filed After January 15, 2007**

TITLE/SUBJECT AREA	Objective	Type of Filing & Anticipated Schedule	Interested Parties	Agency Contact
<p>MARINE FISHERIES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-2, 20-1-4, 20-3-1 THROUGH 20-3-6, 20-4 THROUGH 20-10, 42-17.1, 42-17.6, 42-35-18(B)(5), AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend/regulate fisheries methods, possession limits, and season according to federal agency mandates and decisions by the Director in conjunction with the RI Marine Fisheries Council</p>	<p><i>Amendments to existing regulations.</i></p> <p>Continuous amendments throughout the year to keep RI in compliance with federal and regional mandates.</p>	<p>All commercial and recreational fishermen and fish processing businesses.</p>	<p>Mark Gibson, Marine Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife, 423-1940</p>
<p>HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR 2007-2008 SEASON; FRESHWATER FISHING REGULATIONS FOR 2007-2008 SEASON</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 42-17.1, 42-17.6 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish conditions and requirements for hunting or fishing species, bag limits, minimum size restrictions, seasons, etc. in accordance with federal guidelines and public comment.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of RI's hunting/fishing regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Recreational hunters/trappers and anglers.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>
<p>RI FALCONRY REGULATIONS FOR THE 2006-2007 SEASON</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 42-17.1, 42-17.6, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Allow for the managed practice of falconry in Rhode Island.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of falconry regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Falancers/recreational hunters.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>

<p>WATERFOWL HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR 2007-2008 SEASON</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-5, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 20-2-35, 20-2-37, 42-17.1, 42-17.6, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish seasons, bag limits, and methods by which waterfowl hunting may be carried out in Rhode Island.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of waterfowl hunting regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Recreational hunters.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>
<p>AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PERMITS (APC REGULATION NO. 9)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12), AND 42-35</p>	<p>Streamline the permitting process based on the recommendations of a stakeholder group.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry, municipalities, and/or state agencies that install or modify equipment requiring air pollution permits.</p>	<p>Doug McVay, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7011</p>
<p>EMISSIONS STANDARDS FOR SMALLER SCALE ELECTRIC GENERATION FACILITIES (APC REGULATION 43)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23(5)12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish regulations limiting air pollution emissions from small-scale combined heat and power and distributed generation projects.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Engine and turbine manufacturers, and large energy users, state agencies, and businesses who would consider on-site electric generation.</p>	<p>Doug McVay, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7011</p>
<p>CONTROL OF VOCS FROM COMMERCIAL AND CONSUMER PRODUCTS (APC REGULATION NO. 31)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend existing regulation to: 1) convert it from a contingency regulation to an active regulation; and 2) update the list of regulated products & VOC limits to ensure consistency with those in the OTC model rule and neighboring states.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell commercial and consumer products that emit VOCs and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>

<p>DEFINITIONS IN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL REGULATIONS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update the definition of “Volatile Organic Compound” in the air pollution control regulations to be consistent with the federal definition. Create a central list of consistent definitions for 15-20 terms used in several APC regulations and remove the definitions of those terms (including VOC) from individual APC regulations.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry and other entities subject to RI APC regulations.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p>CHEMICAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM (APC REGULATION NO. 40)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23 (5)12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Implement state planning requirements for accidental release prevention. (Similar to federal requirements but will respond to state-specific issues.)</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Industrial facilities that store toxic or flammable substances, members of the public who reside near such facilities, and administrators of schools, hospitals, etc. in the vicinity of such industrial facilities.</p>	<p>Gina Friedman, Office of Air Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7016</p>
<p>RHODE ISLAND MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION & MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (APC REGULATION No. 34)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 31-47.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Adjust RI Vehicle Inspection & Maintenance Program to match EPA requirements.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Auto inspection and maintenance stations.</p>	<p>Frank Stevenson, Office of Air Resources 222-2808, ext. 7021</p>

<p>CONTROL OF VOCs FROM ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS AND INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE COATINGS (APC REGULATION NO. 33)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend existing regulation to: 1) convert it from a contingency regulation to an active regulation; and 2) update the list of regulated products & VOC limits to ensure consistency with those in the OTC model rule and neighboring states.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell architectural and industrial maintenance coatings and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p>PORTABLE FUEL CONTAINER SPILLAGE CONTROL (APC REGULATION NO. 44)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Promulgate new regulation consistent with the OTC model to minimize emissions from portable fuel containers.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell portable fuel containers and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p>NITROGEN OXIDES ALLOWANCE PROGRAM (APC REGULATION NO. 38)</p>	<p>REPEAL. This regulation required Rhode Island power plants to meet an emission budget for nitrogen oxides as part of a regional emission control program. This program expired in 2002 and was replaced by a requirement for power plants to participate in the NOx Budget Trading Program required by APC Reg. No. 41.</p>	<p><i>Repeal of existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the process of repealing the regulation during the fourth quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Rhode Island power plants</p>	<p>Doug McVay, Office of Air Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7012</p>
<p>ANTI-IDLING</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-9.2</p>	<p>Establish new regulations to address unnecessary idling of diesel-powered motor vehicles and non-road diesel equipment.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule-making process by the end of the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Operators of diesel equipment and fleets, such as bus companies, school bus operators, construction companies, DOT, RIPTA</p>	<p>Frank Stevenson, Office of Air Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7021</p>

<p>DREDGING AND THE MANAGEMENT OF DREDGE MATERIALS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-6.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Revise and clarify public notice requirements for dredging projects.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Marina owners, CRMC, boating public and waste processors.</p>	<p>Ronald Gagnon, Office of Technical and Customer Assistance, 222-4700, ext. 7500</p>
<p>INSPECTIONS OF DAMS AND RESERVOIRS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-19, 42-17.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish a regulatory framework for several of the major provisions of the state's current dam safety law. Identify minimum requirements for maintenance of a dam, registration of a dam, and responsibilities of the department and dam owners in inspecting and repairing dams. Adopt a formal hazard classification system for dams and improve regulatory oversight of dams.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Dam owners, cities and towns, property owners adjacent to and downstream of open water bodies created by a dam, and members of the general public who use water bodies created by a dam for recreational purposes.</p>	<p>David Chopy, Office of Compliance and Inspection, 222-4700, ext. 7257</p>
<p>USED OIL RECYCLING</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1, 42-17.1, 46-12, 23-23, 23-18.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish management and handling standards for generators, transporters, and facilities dealing with used oil to facilitate the recycling of used oil rather than disposing as a hazardous waste.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule-making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry, municipalities, and state agencies that generate, transport, or deal with used oil.</p>	<p>Dean Albro, Office of Compliance & Inspection, 222-1360, ext. 7400</p> <p>Sean Carney, Office of Compliance & Inspection, 222-1360, ext. 7411</p>
<p>COMPOSTING AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-18.9, 42-17.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend solid waste regulations in accordance with recent legislative changes governing beneficial reuse projects (BUD) and tree stumps/ waste. Revisions to solid waste fees also anticipated.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Municipalities, solid waste management community, and compost facilities.</p>	<p>Leo Hellested, Office of Waste Management, 222-4700, ext. 7502</p>

<p>HAZARDOUS WASTE</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1, 42-17.1, 46-12, 23-23, 23-18.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Incorporation of new federal manifest rules, and revisions to generator fees. Additional revisions may include updates for treatment, storage, and disposal facilities to incorporate federal changes through July 05'.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in two stages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Changes to the generator fees are expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2007 - Changes to the manifest rules and the incorporation of recent federal amendments are expected to be completed during the fourth quarter of 2007 	<p>Hazardous waste transporters, businesses, industry, municipalities, and state agencies that generate, transport, or deal with hazardous wastes.</p>	<p>Leo Hellested, Office of Waste Management 222-4700, ext. 7502</p>
<p>UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1-2 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Make revisions to address requirements of the new federal Energy Act, including delivery prohibition, "red tag" provisions, and new inspection requirements.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Underground storage tank owners, municipalities, and environmental consultants.</p>	<p>Kevin Gillen, Office of Waste Management, 222-4700, ext. 7116</p>
<p>MERCURY-ADDED PRODUCTS – CONVENIENCE LIGHT SWITCHES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1-6, 23-24.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Incorporate changes adopted by RI General Assembly which mandates a bounty program for mercury-added motor vehicle convenience light switches.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Automobile manufacturers and recyclers.</p>	<p>Ronald Gagnon, Office of Technical and Customer Assistance, 222-4700, ext. 7500</p>

<p>ANIMAL CARE</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-19 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish comprehensive animal care regulations, including new licensure requirements, procedures and protocols for the intake, relinquishment, sheltering, transfer and adoption of animals to and from the public.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Animal welfare groups, animal control agencies, animals volunteer groups, pet shops, kennels, pounds, auction markets, and veterinarians.</p>	<p>Scott Marshall, DVM, RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4508</p>
<p>ERADICATION OF SCRAPIES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-4, 42-35, AND CFR TITLE 9 PART 79</p>	<p>Keep Rhode Island in compliance with federal regulations governing scrapies, a fatal, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to enact emergency regulations during the first quarter of 2007, and to complete the rule-making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Sheep and goat herders/farmers, and USDA.</p>	<p>Scott Marshall, DVM, RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4508</p>
<p>IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-19 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update and revise the regulations governing the importation of animals, particularly with regard to the required import permits, certificates of veterinary inspection, and disease-free certification.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>General public, health professions, animal industry, animal welfare groups, veterinarians, agriculture, and animal wildlife groups.</p>	<p>Scott Marshall, DVM, RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4508</p>
<p>IMPORTATION OF EQUINE FROM CONTAGIOUS EQUINE METRITIS (CEM) AFFECTED COUNTRIES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-4.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update of the regulations governing importation of horses from countries where Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM) exists. Clarify quarantine protocols and establish specific permit fees.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Licensed CEM quarantine stations.</p>	<p>Scott Marshall, DVM, RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4508</p>
<p>PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO FARMLAND (ALPC)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-82 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update and revise the existing rules governing the operating procedures of the Agricultural Land Preservation Commission (ALPC) regarding administration of bond funds to purchase</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete revisions during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Farmers, land owners, land trusts, and conservation organizations.</p>	<p>Ken Ayars, Division of Agriculture, 222-2781, ext. 4500</p>

	development rights to farmland to reflect current state objectives and the comprehensive planning statute.			
FARM, FOREST AND OPEN SPACE LEGAL BASIS: 44-27	Minor amendment to existing regulations to allow recommended farmland values to include house lot acreage.	<i>Amendment to existing regulations.</i> DEM expects to complete the rule-making process during the second quarter of 2007.	Farmers, farm organizations, and tax assessors	Ken Ayars, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4500
ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE FRESH WATER WETLANDS ACT (PHASES II AND III) LEGAL BASIS: 2-1-18 THROUGH 2-1-25 AND 42-35	Amend wetland regulations, in accordance with Chapter 2-1, based on the recommendations of the Wetlands Task Force and other recommendations identified by the Department.	<i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i> DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.	Developers/builders, property owners, municipal officials, state agencies, and the environmental community.	Carolyn Murphy, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7208
WETLANDS GENERAL PERMIT LEGAL BASIS: 2-1	Establish a new general permit category to streamline the process for processing routine wetlands permit applications.	<i>New regulation.</i> DEM expects to complete the rule-making process during the fourth quarter of 2007.	Developers/builders, property owners, municipal officials, state agencies, and the environmental community.	Carolyn Murphy, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7208 Ronald Gagnon, Office of Technical and Customer Assistance, 222-4700, ext. 7500

<p>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update regulations for statutory citations, technological advancements, and policy changes and additions as authorized in Chapters 46-12 and 42-35.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) operators, municipalities, industries with surface water discharging WWTFs and collection system owners (public and private).</p>	<p>Bill Patenaude, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7264</p>
<p>TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, UTILIZATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF SEWAGE SLUDGE</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend sludge regulations to reduce regulatory oversight of the distribution and utilization of Class A Biosolids, and bring the regulations more in line with EPA's sludge regulations.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Municipalities with wastewater treatment facilities, landscaping and agricultural industries.</p>	<p>Alex Pinto, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7247</p>
<p>MINIMUM STANDARDS RELATING TO LOCATION, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1, 23-19.5, 5-56, 5-56.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Substantially update the technical and protective standards for septic systems including septic tanks, grease traps, leachfields and other components of an ISDS; clarify and streamline administrative requirements; and provide a comprehensive recompilation of the ISDS rule to enhance readability.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>ISDS designers, engineers, homeowners, and those in the development industry.</p>	<p>Ernie Panciera Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7603</p>
<p>GROUNDWATER QUALITY</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-35, 46-12, 46-13.1, 23-18.9, 23-19.1, 42-17.6, AND 42-17.1</p>	<p>Update the Groundwater Classification map and the Wellhead Protection Area map.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule-making process by the end of the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Water Suppliers, Communities, Property Owners in affected areas, Consultants</p>	<p>Ernie Panciera, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700 x7603</p>

<p>ESTABLISHMENT OF VARIOUS FEES – RIPDES PROGRAM</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-35, 42-17.1, 46-12, 46-13.1, 46-13.2, 23-23</p>	<p>Correct an error in the fee schedule relating to RIPDES permittees.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule-making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>RIPDES permittees</p>	<p>Ernie Panciera, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700 x7603</p>
<p>UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PROGRAM</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-35, 42-17.1, 46-12</p>	<p>Major revision and update.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule-making process by the third quarter of 2007</p>	<p>Commercial and industrial property owners, consultants</p>	<p>Ernie Panciera, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700 x7603</p>
<p>ACCELERATED CONSIDERATION FOR CERTAIN DEM-ISSUED PERMITS (PILOT PROGRAM)</p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish a new program to allow a limited number of DEM issued permits (e.g. ISDS and wetlands) to be considered in an expedited manner utilizing staff in a managed overtime process.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Developers, property owners, and environmental organizations.</p>	<p>Tom Getz, Office of the Director, 222-4700, ext. 2417</p>