PUBLIC HEARING: MAY 29, 2018, 1 P.M.



AGENDA

LOCATION OF PUBLIC HEARING:

LDH BIENVILLE BUILDING

628 N. 4TH STREET, ROOM 173

BATON ROUGE, LA 70802

BEGINNING AT 1 PM

NOTICE OF INTENT

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Sanitary Code / Water Supplies

Part XII Amendments [LAC 51:XII.101.105, 302, 319, 355]

Under the authority of R.S. 40:4, 40:4.13, and 40:5 and in accordance with R.S. 49:950 et seq., the Administrative Procedure Act, notice is hereby given that the state health officer, acting through the Louisiana Department of Health, Office of Public Health (LDH-OPH), intends to amend Part XII (Water Supplies) of the Louisiana State Sanitary Code (LAC 51). When effective, the proposed amendments to Part XII will assist LDH-OPH in ensuring the continued protection of public health from contaminated drinking water. The intent of the amendments is to add four requirements to the list of significant deficiencies (see §319) as approved by the Water Committee on March 8, 2018. Public water systems are required to correct significant deficiencies identified by LDH-OPH personnel during a sanitary survey. Sanitary surveys (onsite inspections) are required by federal regulations to be conducted every 3 to 5 years depending on the water system type, and therefore the compliance deadline for the new requirements will vary by water system and may be extended on an as needed basis. The intent of Section 302 amendments is to clarify that the new design standards in Chapter 1 and 2 as published in the February 20, 2018 Louisiana Register will supersede Chapter 3 design standards for new public water systems or any proposed new construction or modification to an existing public water system. The remaining amendments in the proposed rule are just clarifications and do not impose any new requirements. The effective date of the below proposed amendments is planned to be on August 1, 2018 to coincide with the effective date of the previously mentioned new design standards.

Public Comments:

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule. Such comments must be received no later than Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at COB, 4:30 p.m., and should be addressed to Amanda Laughlin, Chief Engineer, Engineering Services Section, Office of Public Health, P.O. Box 4489, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4489, or faxed to (225) 342-7303. If comments are to be shipped or hand-delivered, please deliver to the Bienville Building, 628 N. 4th Street - Room 125, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

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