



Water Well Standards Advisory Council

Georgia Environmental Protection Division
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO GEORGIA'S RULES FOR THE WATER WELL STANDARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL, DEPARTMENT 770

This notice is a reposting of a prior notice issued on September 8, 2023 regarding these proposed rule amendments. This notice announces a new date for the Council's adoption of the proposed rule amendments.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Water Well Standards Advisory Council (hereinafter, "Council") proposes amendments to the Rules, Department 770. The proposed amendments would provide various updates, reformatting and clarifications that refresh the rules and align them more closely with the Water Well Standards Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 12-5-120 et seq.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments, a previous public notice was issued on September 8, 2023, **a public hearing was held on September 21, 2023**, in conjunction with the Council's scheduled meeting on that date, and **comments were received through October 13, 2023**. The Council's meeting was held in person and via the Zoom platform on September 21, 2023. No comments on the proposed rule amendments were received during the public hearing, and no written comments were received during the public comment period.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments, a synopsis, and statement of rationale of the proposed rule amendments, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. These documents may be viewed online at <https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch/water-well-standards>. The documents may also be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD), Tifton office, located at 531 Main Street, Suite D, Tifton, Georgia 31794. To set an appointment, or to request copies, please contact the EPD Tifton office at (229) 391-2400.

During the Council's meeting on November 1, 2023, the Council postponed their consideration of adoption of the proposed rules to their next meeting. **The proposed rule amendments will be considered for adoption by the Council at its meeting at 10:00 a.m. on January 17, 2024.** The meeting will be open to the public and held both in person and via Zoom, a free web conferencing platform that also allows participation by phone. The in person meeting will be held at the Georgia Secretary of State's Macon Office, Building A, Conference Room 131, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. To participate in the public hearing via Zoom, please click the following link or copy and paste it into your browser:

Join by Zoom: <https://gaepd.zoom.us/j/96546987361?pwd=NVRCYmw4SmZ2VjZkwmRPa3RqbHRMZz09>

Meeting ID: 965 4698 7361

Passcode: 138941

Join by Phone: (470) 381-2552
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The proposed rule amendments are proposed for adoption pursuant to authority contained in the Water Well Standards Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 12-5-120 et seq.

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