



**BEFORE THE
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

May 16, 2018

Public Notice: Proposed Rulemaking Governing Backflow Prevention and UIC Rules

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (DDAGW) proposed revisions to backflow prevention rules 3745-95-04, 3745-95-07 and 3745-95-08 and Underground Injection Control rule 3745-34-10. These revisions are a result of the five-year rule review requirements of Section 106.03 of the Revised Code.

Minor revisions to the rules were made after the comment period ended. These revisions include making spellings and grammar corrections in OAC rule 3745-95-07 and making formatting changes in OAC rule 3745-95-08. These revisions did not change the meaning of the rules.

A public hearing pursuant to ORC §106.03 will be conducted on June 19, 2018, beginning at 10.30 am in Conference Room B at the Ohio EPA, Lazarus Government Center, 50 West Town Street, Columbus, Ohio. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and give their written or oral comments on this proposed rule-making. A presiding officer will be present until all interested persons have been heard.

To facilitate scheduling of oral presentations, persons intending to give testimony at the hearing should ensure that Ohio EPA receives notice of such intent by June 18, 2018, 5:00 p.m. Persons who provide Ohio EPA with prior notice will be heard ahead of persons who register at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to five minutes, depending on the number of persons testifying. **All visitors to Ohio EPA must register at the Security desk in the lobby upon arrival. Please bring photo identification (such as a valid driver's license). For security reasons, visitors are required to wear their badge at all times while in the building. Please arrive early to complete these procedures.** To provide notice of intent to give oral comments at the public hearing, contact Colin White by mail at Ohio EPA, DDAGW, Lazarus Government Center, 50 West Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio 43215, or by phone at (614) 644-2759.

In order to ensure that written comments are considered as part of the official record of this hearing, written comments must be received by Ohio EPA by the close of business June 19, 2018. Written comments on the proposed rules may be given to the presiding officer during the hearing, sent by mail to Colin White at the address above, or sent by email to the following address ddagw_rulecomments@epa.ohio.gov.

To obtain a copy of the proposed rules, contact Colin White at Ohio EPA at (614) 644-2759 or email at Colin.White@epa.ohio.gov. Please request the "Backflow Prevention and UIC Rules" and be sure to include your name, telephone number, and complete mailing address. There is no charge for proposed rules. The proposed rules will be available on the Agency web page until their adoption or withdrawal. They can be found at <http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/rules.aspx> on the "Proposed Rules" tab.

Comments can be submitted in hard copy to the following address: "Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, DDAGW, P.O. Box 1049, Lazarus Government Center, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, Attn: Colin White" or by email to ddagw_rulecomments@epa.ohio.gov. Comments should be received at the above address by close of business, June 19, 2018.