



Division of Drinking and Ground Waters Response to Comments

Draft Operational Requirements

3745-81-01, Primary Drinking Water Standards Definitions
3745-83-01, Operational Requirements

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Ohio EPA issued public notice and public hearing for the period of April 12th, 2022, to May 12th, 2022 on revised draft rules in the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC). This document summarizes the comments and questions received during the public hearing comment period.

Ohio EPA reviewed and considered all comments received during the public hearing comment period. By law, Ohio EPA has authority to consider specific issues related to protection of the environment and public health.

In an effort to help you review this document, the questions are grouped by topic and organized in a consistent format. The name of the commenter follows the comment in parentheses.

3745-83-01 Operational Requirements

Comment 1: OAC 3745-83-01(F)(9) – Silt density index should not apply to GW systems or should only apply to systems with raw water characteristics that contain silt. Most GW systems do not contain silt and/or do not have routine fluctuations in raw water quality. **(Cathy Zagarac, Aqua Ohio)**

Response 1: Ohio EPA will be removing this language.

Comment 2: OAC 3745-83-01(F)(10) – Systems already monitor for conductivity which have alarm setpoints. In lieu of TDS, conductivity should be utilized if TDS is not monitored directly. Adding TDS monitoring can cost upwards of \$44,000 per year, resulting in increased cost to rate payers. **(Cathy Zagarac, Aqua Ohio)**

Response 2: Ohio EPA will be removing this language.

End of Response to Comments