

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis ☒ Original ☐ Updated ☐ Corrected	2. Date 10/24/2025
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) Chs. NR 1 (Natural Resources Board Policies) and 45 (Use of Department Properties)	
4. Subject FWP-22-24, minor changes to DNR property management regulations (the 2025 property management housekeeping rule)	
5. Fund Sources Affected ☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☐ SEG ☐ SEG-S	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule ☒ No Fiscal Effect ☐ Increase Existing Revenues ☐ Increase Costs ☐ Decrease Costs ☐ Indeterminate ☐ Decrease Existing Revenues ☐ Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply) ☐ State's Economy ☐ Specific Businesses/Sectors ☐ Local Government Units ☐ Public Utility Rate Payers ☐ Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$0 No costs are expected as a result of the minor, remedial changes contained in this rule.	
10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule This rule makes minor, remedial changes to the public lands-related chapters of administrative code to clarify regulations, codify existing policy, correct errors and outdated language, update boundaries and points of reference, and improve clarity and consistency. These changes will improve the overall structure, clarity and navigability of ch. NR 45, Wis. Adm. Code, and related chapters.	
12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments. The changes in this rule are very minor and will not impact businesses. Businesses will have the opportunity to comment on this rule during the solicitation of comments on economic impacts.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA. The changes in this rule are very minor and will not impact local governmental units. Local governmental units will have the opportunity to comment on this rule during the solicitation of comments on economic impacts.	
14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred) No economic impacts are expected as a result of these rule changes. These changes are minor in nature and will not substantively affect existing policy. These changes relate to the department's management of its own lands. No effects on small business are anticipated as a result of these rule changes.	
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule This rule will improve the clarity, consistency, accuracy, structure and navigability of administrative code. In the absence of this rule, some administrative code provisions will remain unclear and, in some cases, difficult to interpret for the department and the public.	
16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule The long-range implications are similar to the short-term implications, in that administrative code will be clearer, more accurate and easier to navigate.	
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government No federal regulations apply. States have regulatory authority over properties under our management or ownership and state regulations do not conflict with regulations established in the Federal Register. None of these rule changes violate or conflict with the	

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provisions established in the Federal Code of Regulations. These rules would not apply on federally owned or managed properties except where, by agreement, state natural areas have been established on federally owned properties by consent of a federal management authority.

18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

Adjacent states establish rules and regulations for the management and use of state properties that are similar to Wisconsin. These rules and regulations protect public health and safety, balance multiple recreational uses of public lands, and help appropriately manage the natural resources and unique features of department properties.

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- ☐ Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
☐ Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
☐ Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
☐ Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
☐ Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
☐ Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

☐ Yes ☐ No
