Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a preliminary public hearing on Statement of Scope SS 074-21 which affects ch. NR 5, 10, 11, 15, 17, 20, 26, 27, 45 and 51, and is related to DNR property management regulations, at the virtual time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: November 9, 2021

Time: 6 p.m.

Virtual Location Link: Online by Zoom or by phone at 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID 844 8989 8931

Rule Information: This is a statement of scope for a proposed permanent rule; no specific rules have yet been proposed. Chapter NR 45, Wis. Admin. Code governs the conduct of visitors to the lands and facilities owned, eased, or leased by the department. The department reviews this chapter every 3-4 years. For this rule, the department's focus will remain on ch. NR 45, but the department may also consider revisions to department lands rules in other related chapters of administrative code to improve consistency and organizational structure between chapters, and other changes of a minor nature in those chapters. This rule would update fee structures, vehicle and boat use regulations, camping rules and hours of operation, technology regulations, rules relating to the possession of animals, general property use rules and property-specific rules. This rule will also streamline language, minimize redundancy and clarify provisions in ch. NR 45 and related administrative codes.

Accessibility

For the hearing or visually impaired, non-English speakers, or those with other personal circumstances which might make communication at the meeting/hearing difficult, DNR will, to the maximum extent possible and with reasonable advance notice, provide aids including an interpreter, or a non-English, large-print, or recorded version of hearing documents. To access these resources, please contact the email address or phone number listed below as soon as possible.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which is available here: https://dnr.wi.gov/files/pdf/forms/8300/8300-014.pdf. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, please download and complete the fillable Hearing Appearance form and send it to Brigit.Brown@wisconsin.gov.

Comments on the proposed scope statement must be received on or before November 11, 2021 Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing.

Written comments and any questions on the proposed scope statement should be submitted to:

Department of Natural Resources Attn: Brigit Brown P.O. Box 7921 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, WI 53707-7921

The scope statement may be viewed at: https://dnr.wi.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html

Comments can be made at: <u>DNRAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov</u>

The scope statement may be reviewed, and comments made at: https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment.

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis: The department anticipates an annual economic impact of over \$50,000 (moderate impact) due to potential fee increases. An economic impact analysis will be conducted as part of rule development.

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