TITLE 252. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CHAPTER 628. INDIRECT POTABLE REUSE FOR SURFACE WATER AUGMENTATION

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RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

Subchapter 3. Benchmarks and Implementation for IPR Source Water Discharges

252:628-3-1 [AMENDED]

252:628-3-2 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 7. Operation and Maintenance for IPR Source Water Treatment Plants

252:628-7-1 [AMENDED]

252:628-7-9 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 9. Permitting Requirements for IPR Source Water

252:628-9-3 [AMENDED]

252:628-9-4 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. IPR Receiving Waterbody Monitoring

252:628-11-1 [AMENDED]

DESCRIPTION:

This Chapter contains rules dealing with the indirect reuse of municipal wastewater. The proposed rule changes will replace references to OAC 252:690 with references to OAC 252:606 in connection with a contemporaneous proposal to relocate rules from Chapter 690 to Chapter 606.

CLASSES OF PERSONS AFFECTED:

Classes of persons affected are those who own, operate, plan to operate, or construct wastewater facilities and that must obtain permits to reuse wastewater. This will also affect any person that recreates in Oklahoma's waters.

CLASSES OF PERSONS WHO WILL BEAR COSTS: There is no anticipated increase in costs as a result of these rule changes.

INFORMATION ON COST IMPACTS FROM PRIVATE/PUBLIC ENTITIES: DEQ has not received any information from other public or private entities concerning the cost impacts of the proposed regulations.

CLASSES OF PERSONS BENEFITTED: Classes of persons who benefit are those who own, operate, plan to operate, or construct wastewater facilities and that must obtain permits to reuse wastewater. This will also affect any person that recreates in Oklahoma's waters.

PROBABLE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON AFFECTED CLASSES OF PERSONS: There is no anticipated increase in costs as a result of these rule changes.

PROBABLE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: It is unlikely that the proposed rulemaking will have an economic impact on political subdivisions (e.g., municipalities).

POTENTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESS: DEQ has not identified any foreseeable adverse effect on small businesses.

LISTING OF ALL FEE CHANGES, INCLUDING A SEPARATE JUSTIFICATION FOR EACH FEE CHANGE: None

PROBABLE COSTS AND BENEFITS TO DEQ TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE: There are no anticipated additional costs to DEQ to implement and enforce the proposed rule.

PROBABLE COSTS AND BENEFITS TO OTHER AGENCIES TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE: There are no probable costs to other agencies associated with this rulemaking.

SOURCE OF REVENUE TO BE USED TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE RULE: There is no new funding necessary to implement and enforce this rule.

PROJECTED NET LOSS OR GAIN IN REVENUES FOR DEQ AND/OR OTHER AGENCIES, IF IT CAN BE PROJECTED: DEQ will not incur additional costs beyond the updating of this chapter.

COOPERATION OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT OR ENFORCE RULE: DEQ does not anticipate the need for additional cooperation with political subdivisions associated with this rulemaking.

EXPLANATION OF THE MEASURES THE DEQ TOOK TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS: No measures were identified to minimize compliance costs associated with this rulemaking as minimal or no increased costs are anticipated.

DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THERE ARE LESS COSTLY OR NONREGULATORY OR LESS INTRUSIVE METHODS OF ACHIEVING THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULE: DEQ has determined there are no less costly or non-regulatory methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation.

DETERMINATION OF THE EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT: There is no specific anticipated effect on public health and safety at this time.

IF THE PROPOSED RULE IS DESIGNED TO REDUCE SIGNIFICANT RISKS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT, EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE RISK AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE PROPOSED RULE WILL REDUCE THE RISK: This rulemaking is not designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment.

DETERMINATION OF ANY DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT IF THE PROPOSED RULE IS NOT IMPLEMENTED: There has been no determination of any detrimental effect on public health, safety and environment.

PROBABLE QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE IMPACT ON BUSINESS ENTITIES (INCLUDE QUANTIFIABLE DATA WHERE POSSIBLE): DEQ has not received any quantifiable or qualitative data of the impacts of the proposed updates.

THIS RULE IMPACT STATEMENT WAS PREPARED ON: December 7, 2023