



DNREC – Water Supply Section

Important Notice To Water Well Contractors

Public Workshops

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's Water Supply Section (WSS) will be holding 3 free public workshops regarding proposed revisions to the Regulations Governing the Construction and Use of Wells.

The existing regulation was adopted on February 6, 1997 with an effective date of April 6, 1997. Since that time, there have been numerous enhancements on industry technology concerning methods of well drilling. The Department recognizes the entire regulation needs to be reviewed and revised to incorporate policies, methodologies and procedures consistent with industry enhancements, including site specific guidelines, conditions and regulations.

Start Action Notice #2009-30 to revise the Regulations Governing Construction and Use of Wells was signed by Secretary Collin P. O'Mara on November 20, 2009. The proposed revisions include but are not limited to content updates to the current 1997 regulations.

An Internal review committee consisting of the Well Permitting Branch, Ground Water Protection Branch, and the Ground Water Allocation Branch convened. Outside review was heard from DNREC's Site Investigation and Restoration Section, Tank Management Branch, Division of Public Health Office of Drinking Water, Department of Agriculture, Delaware Geological Survey, and the Delaware Association of Realtors.

Proposed changes to the entire regulation will be discussed during the workshops and your feedback is welcomed. You are invited to send written comments before the public workshops and/or at any time throughout the regulatory process.

The workshops will be held:

5 pm - Oct 15, 2012 - DNREC Lukens Drive Facility

391 Lukens Drive, New Castle, DE, 19720

5 pm- Oct 17, 2012 DNREC Lewes Field Facility

901 Pilottown Road, Lewes, DE, 19958

5 pm - Oct 18, 2012 - DNREC Auditorium

89 Kings Highway, Dover, DE, 19901

Pre-registration is not required.

For more information or directions, please contact:

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