

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of promulgating rules on April 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources, 2045 Morse Road, Building B-3, Columbus, Ohio 43229.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the amendment of the following Administrative Code rules: 1501:21-1-01 Notice of public hearing to adopt, amend, or rescind rules, 1501:21-5-02 Preliminary design report, 1501:21-5-03 The final design submittal, 1501:21-5-06 The specifications, 1501:21-7-02 Release of the surety bond, 1501:21-7-03 Forfeiture of the surety bond, 1501:21-13-01 Classification of dams, 1501:21-13-09 Classification of levees, 1501:21-17-03 Approval of construction by the chief, 1501:21-17-04 Final inspection and approval by the chief, 1501:21-19-02 Inspection exemptions for dams, 1501:21-21-01 Periodic inspection of existing dams and levees, 1501:21-21-02 Periodic inspection procedures, 1501:21-21-03 Owner's responsibilities in correcting deficient dams and levees, 1501:21-21-05 Removal or correction of unsafe dams, and levees, 1501:21-22-03 Approval of construction by the chief, 1501:21-23-01 Orders of the chief, and 1501:21-24-01 The annual fee.

These rules are being amended to comply with Ohio Revised Code Section 121.951 to remove regulatory restrictions from the dam and levee safety rules and to increase the annual fee for dams.

An electronic copy of the proposed rule is available at the Ohio Legislative Services Commission's internet website at: <http://www.registerofohio.state.oh.us/>. A paper copy of the full text of the proposed Rules or a copy of this public notice may be obtained by written request from the Division of Water Resources, 2045 Morse Road, Building B-3, Columbus, Ohio 43229. A self-addressed envelope should accompany each request.

The full text of proposed regulations are available for review in the office of the Chief of the Division of Water Resources.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code, and Ohio Revised Code 1521.06. Interested persons will have the opportunity to give testimony for or against the proposed rules.