

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RULES
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**A Rule Governing
Water Quality Standards**

Notice is hereby given that the Director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) has final filed the following rule of the Ohio Administrative Code:

3745-1-38 Variances from water quality standards for point sources.

The Director's order of adoption was issued on **September 2, 2025**. The adopted rule will become effective on **December 2, 2025**.

The Director's action in this matter is pursuant to the procedural requirements of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119 and is based upon the record of the public hearing conducted by Ohio EPA on June 5, 2025, and comments received during the public comment period.

You are hereby notified that this action of the Director is final and may be appealed to the Environmental Review Appeals Commission pursuant to Section 3745.04 of the Ohio Revised Code. The appeal must be in writing and set forth the action complained of and the grounds upon which the appeal is based. The appeal must be filed with the Commission within thirty (30) days after notice of the Director's action. The appeal must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$70.00, made payable to "Treasurer, State of Ohio," which the Commission, in its discretion, may reduce if by affidavit you demonstrate that payment of the full amount of the fee would cause extreme hardship. Notice of the filing of the appeal shall be filed with the Director within three (3) days of filing with the Commission. Ohio EPA requests that a copy of the appeal be served upon the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section. An appeal may be filed with the Environmental Review Appeals Commission at the following address:

Environmental Review Appeals Commission
30 East Broad Street, 4th floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215