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**September 30th:**

- Deadline for SFY 15 CWFPP principal forgiveness applications

**December 31st:**

- Deadline for SFY 16 CWFPP and SDWLP ITAs and PERFs

**A View from the Privy**

Is the water on your farm healthy? Yes, we only have well water.



**Public Comment Period and Public Hearing Notice for Rule Revisions for chs. NR 162 and 166**

On June 25, 2014, the Natural Resources Board authorized DNR to hold a public hearing for revisions to chs. NR 162 and NR 166, relating to the Clean Water Fund Program and the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program, respectively. There will be a 21-day public comment period on these rules, beginning on 07/15/2014 until 08/05/2014. The public hearing on both rules will be held on 07/29/2014 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in five locations throughout the state (see sidebar), originating at the UW Pyle Center in Madison.

We will put the draft rules on our website on July 15, 2014, the date it will be published for public comment: <http://dnr.wi.gov/Aid/documents/EIF/STATUTES/elcodes.html>

Comments on the proposed rule revisions must be received on or before August 5, 2014. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, E-mail, or through the Internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing.

Revisions to ch. NR 166, Wis. Adm. Code, relating to the SDWLP, clarify eligibility criteria, streamline processes, and address implementation issues since the rule was last revised. The main topics for revision include:

- Eligible projects/activities – updates language to incorporate current practices.
- Dates for ITA/PERF submittals – changes to Oct. 31st and allows for on-line submittals.
- PERF scoring system – minor changes and requires on-line, annual submittal.
- Interim financing issuance cost eligibility – increases the limit to \$15,000 from \$7,500.
- Refinancing – clarifies that a municipality cannot already have “long-term affordable debt” outstanding for its completed or substantially completed project”; any project that has been substantially completed for more than 3 years is not eligible for financing.
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – updates requirements to refer to federal requirements.
- Median Household Income – clarifies the source of this data as the American Community Survey (as part of the U.S. Census Bureau) and provides options for sanitary districts.

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**PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION**

Date: **Tuesday, July 29, 2014**  
 Time: **9:00 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.**  
 Locations:

UWEX Pyle Center  
 702 Langdon St., Madison

UW Green Bay, Room IS1034  
 2420 Nicolet Dr., Green Bay

UW-Marathon County, Room 218  
 518 S. 7th Ave., Wausau

UW Eau Claire  
 Schofield Hall, Room 1132  
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**Internet,** use the Administrative Rules System Web site:

[health.wisconsin.gov/admrules/public/Home](http://health.wisconsin.gov/admrules/public/Home)

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Revisions to ch. NR 162, Wis. Adm. Code, relating to the CWFP, clarify eligibility criteria, streamline processes, revise the scoring system, and address implementation issues since the rule was last revised. The main topics for revision include:

- Eligible projects/activities – updates language to incorporate current practices.
- Dates for ITA/PERF submittals – changes to Oct. 31st and allows for on-line submittals
- PERF scoring system – revises system to incorporate permit limits; automates the scoring process; and requires on-line, annual submittal.
- Interim financing issuance cost eligibility – increases the limit to \$15,000 from \$7,500.
- Refinancing – clarifies that a municipality cannot already have “long-term affordable debt” outstanding for its completed or substantially completed project”; any project that has been substantially completed for more than 3 years is not eligible for financing.
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – updates requirements to refer to federal requirements.
- Median Household Income – clarifies the source of this data as the American Community Survey (as part of the U.S. Census Bureau) and provides options for sanitary districts.

The proposed rules and supporting documents, including the fiscal estimate, may be viewed and downloaded from the Administrative Rules System Web site: [health.wisconsin.gov/admrules/public/Home](http://health.wisconsin.gov/admrules/public/Home). If you do not have Internet access, a printed copy of the proposed rule and supporting documents, including the fiscal estimate, may be obtained free of charge.

Reasonable accommodations, including the provision of informational material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. A request must include specific information and be received at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

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