TITLE 252. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CHAPTER 656. WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1. Introduction

252:656-1-2 [AMENDED]

252:656-1-3 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 3. Permit Procedures

252:656-3-4 [AMENDED]

252:656-3-5 [AMENDED]

252:656-3-10 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 11. Lagoon Standards

252:656-11-2 [AMENDED]

252:656-11-3 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 13. Preliminary Treatment Standards

252:656-13-2 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 21. Disinfection Standards

252:656-21-2 [AMENDED]

252:656-21-4 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 23. Supplemental Treatment Standards

252:656-23-4 [AMENDED]

Subchapter 27. Water Reuse

252:656-27-1 [AMENDED]

252:656-27-4 [AMENDED]

Appendix A. Design Tables [REVOKED]

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SUMMARY:

The Department is proposing to: (1) add definitions for "25-year flood," "100-year flood," and "CT"; (2) clarify requirements to obtain a permit to supply with regard to the use of reclaimed water within the wastewater treatment plant boundaries pursuant to Category 6; (3) add Best Management Practices for Category 6 uses within a wastewater treatment plant to the minimum Operation and Maintenance Manual requirements; (4) clarify the requirements for surface evaporation lagoons (total retention lagoons); (5) remove requirements for backfill consistency and cover on lined dike slopes; (6) allow the use of top mounted self-priming suction lift pumps in grit chambers; (7) add standards for on-site generation of sodium hypochlorite; (8) add ozone disinfection standards; (9) add membrane filtration to supplemental treatment standards requirements; (10) reserve Category 1 as a future category of reclaimed water; (11) add permitted uses for Category 2 and Category 3 reclaimed water; (12) add Category 6 to the list of categories of reclaimed water; (13) add permitted uses for Category 6 reclaimed water; (14) clarify cautionary language requirements for reclaimed water use from hose bibbs and yard hydrants; and (15) other minor clarifications.

AUTHORITY:

Environmental Quality Board, 27A O.S. § 2-2-101; Water Quality Management Advisory Council, 27A O.S. § 2-2-201; and 27A O.S. § 2-6-103, 2-6-303 and 2-6-306.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons wishing to present their views in writing may do so before 5:00pm on December 31, 2014 at the following address: Mark Hildebrand, Water Quality Division, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 or Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov.

Oral comments may be made at the Water Quality Management Advisory Council meeting on January 13, 2015, and at the Environmental Quality Board meeting on February 20, 2015.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Before the Water Quality Management Advisory Council on January 13, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room on the first floor of the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.

Before the Environmental Quality Board on February 20, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room on the first floor of the Department of Environmental Quality, 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide to the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Mark Hildebrand at the above address during the period from December 1, 2014 to December, 31, 2014.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

The proposed rules may be viewed on the agency's website at http://www.deq.state.ok.us and copies may be obtained from the Department of Environmental Quality's at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, during normal business hours (8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Friday) Copies may also be obtained by written request mailed to the attention of Mark Hildebrand, at 707 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102 or emailed to Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement is being prepared and will be available for review after 12/1/2014 at the above addresses.

CONTACT PERSON:

Mark Hildebrand, (405) 702-8100 or Mark.Hildebrand@deq.ok.gov (Procedural, legal and technical questions)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Persons with disabilities who desire to attend the rulemaking hearing and need an accommodation should notify the contact person three (3) days in advance of the hearing. For hearing impaired, the TDD relay number is 1-800-522-8506 or 1-800-722-0353, for TDD machine use only.