

Notice of Public Meeting and Public Hearing

The State of New Mexico, through its Oil Conservation Commission hereby gives notice pursuant to law and Commission rules of the following meeting and public hearing to be held at 9:00 a.m. on **June 13, 2017**, in Porter Hall at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, before the Oil Conservation Commission. A preliminary agenda will be available to the public no later than two weeks prior to the meeting. A final agenda will be available no later than 72 hours preceding the meeting.

Case No. 15726 IN THE MATTER OF: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 19 OF 19.15.16 NMAC AND SECTION 16 OF 19.15.7 NMAC, EXTENDING THE TIME FOR REPORTING COMPLETION OF HORIZONTAL WELLS FROM 20 TO 45 DAYS, AND PROPOSED FURTHER AMENDMENT OF SECTION 19 OF 19.15.16 NMAC TO REQUIRE OPERATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING HYDRAULICALLY FRACTURED WELLS IN THE FRAC FOCUS CHEMICAL DISCLOSURE REGISTRY

The proposed rule amendments are intended to (a) extend the time for reporting completion of horizontal wells from 20 to 45 days, and (b) require that disclosures concerning hydraulically fractured wells be made to the extent, and on forms prescribed by, Frac Focus, in lieu of existing Oil Conservation Division (OCD) requirements and forms, and that such disclosures be filed with both Frac Focus and OCD, and to that end:

(1) amending 19.15.16 NMAC by amending Section 19 to change the date for completion reporting and to require filing of fracturing disclosures through Frac Focus, and (2) amending 19.15.7 NMAC by amending Section 16 thereof to conform the requirements of that rule to amended Section 19 of 19.15.16 NMAC, as proposed.

The proposed rule amendments and the meeting agenda are available from the Commission Clerk, Florene Davidson at (505) 476-3458 or can be viewed on the Hearings Page at the Oil Conservation Division's web site at <http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/ocd>. Persons **recommending modifications** to the proposed rule amendment must file a notice of recommended modifications with the Commission Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on **May 30, 2017**. The notice must include the text of the proposed rule amendments, an explanation of the impact of the recommended modifications and reasons for adopting the modifications. Persons intending to provide **written comments** on the proposed rule amendments must submit their written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on **June 6, 2017**, to the Commission Clerk. Persons intending to offer technical testimony at the hearing must file six copies of a **Pre-hearing Statement** conforming to the requirements of 19.15.3.11 NMAC, and six copies of all exhibits the person will offer as evidence at the hearing, no later than 5:00 p.m. on **June 6, 2017**. Proposed modifications and written comments may be hand-delivered or mailed to Ms. Davidson at 1220 South Saint Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, or may be faxed to Ms. Davidson at (505) 476-3462. Pre-hearing Statements must be hand-delivered or mailed to Ms. Davidson at the above address.

If you are an individual with disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact Ms. Davidson at (505) 476-3458 or the New Mexico Relay Network at 1-800-659-1779. Public documents can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact Ms. Davidson if a summary or other type of accessible form is needed. A party who plans on using projection equipment at a hearing must contact Florene Davidson seven (7) business days prior to the hearing, requesting the use of the projection equipment. Wireless internet is available; however, the party must provide its own laptop computer.

Given under the Seal of the State of New Mexico Oil Conservation Commission at Santa Fe, New Mexico on this 17th day of May, 2017.

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION**

**David Catanach
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