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Deadline For Public Comment

Deadline: Feb 11, 2019

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Rule Details

Rule Number:	18P064
Title:	Groundwater Protection Rule and Strategy.
Type:	Standard
Status:	Proposed
Agency:	Agency of Natural Resources
Legal Authority:	10 V.S.A. § 1392(d)
Summary:	The Groundwater Protection Rule and Strategy was last comprehensively updated in 2005. This rule amendment incorporates the legislative directive that became effective in 2008 making groundwater resources in the State held in trust for the public and creates standardized requirements for ensuring activities permitted by the Agency of Natural

Persons Affected:	<p>Resources will not adversely affect public trust uses of groundwater, including use for drinking water. The amendment also updates the list of Groundwater Enforcement Standards to reflect current numeric guidelines generated by the Vermont Department of Health and clarifies the process for reclassifying groundwater.</p> <p>Those affected by this rule amendment include members of the public as consumers of drinking water in the State and as users or beneficiaries of the use of groundwater for other public trust uses, such as fire suppression and farming. Also directly affected are individuals and entities seeking to engage in activities that are permitted by the Agency of Natural Resource and could impact groundwater quality, such as the sub-surface discharge of waste.</p> <p>This rule amendment establishes requirements to protect groundwater resources in the State for public trust uses, such as drinking water and farming, protecting the availability of this natural and economic resource for current and future generations. Individuals and entities seeking permits for activities that could impact groundwater quality may have increased costs of compliance from more strict requirements, but such increases may be partially mitigated by the standardization of requirements. Additionally, individuals and entities may benefit from reducing their potential of contaminating their or others' drinking water wells or of impacting other groundwater uses.</p>
Economic Impact:	
Posting date:	Dec 26,2018

Hearing Information

Information for Hearing # 1

Hearing date:	01-28-2019 2:00 PM ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR
Location:	Agency of Natural Resource Annex Building
Address:	190 Junction Road
City:	Berlin
State:	VT
Zip:	05602
Hearing Notes:	

Information for Hearing # 2

Hearing date:	01-29-2019 5:00 PM ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR
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Location: DEC - Essex Regional Office, Act 250 Room
 Address: 111 West Street
 City: Essex Junction
 State: VT
 Zip: 05452
 Hearing Notes:

Information for Hearing # 3

Hearing date: 02-04-2019 4:00 PM [ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR](#)
 Location: Rutland Police Department, Community Room
 Address: 108 Wales Street
 City: Rutland
 State: VT
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 Hearing Notes:

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