

**BEFORE THE
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**Public Notice
Proposed Rulemaking Governing
Water Pollution Control Loan Funds**

Notice is hereby given that the Director of Environmental Protection, under the authority of Sections 6111.036 of the Ohio Revised Code and in accordance with Chapter 119, proposes the following new rules of the Ohio Administrative Code:

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| 3745-150-01 | Definition |
| 3745-150-02 | Environmental review purpose and applicability |
| 3745-150-03 | Environmental information |
| 3745-150-04 | Environmental review |
| 3745-150-05 | Limited environmental review and limited environmental review document |
| 3745-150-06 | Environmental assessment document |
| 3745-150-07 | Supplemental study |
| 3745-150-08 | Finding of significant impact |
| 3745-150-09 | Finding of no significant impact |
| 3745-150-10 | Reaffirmation of previous environmental decisions |
| 3745-150-11 | Phasing of environmental review |
| 3745-150-12 | Obligations of assistance recipients |
| 3745-150-13 | State priority system and priority list |
| 3745-150-14 | Economic and financial need |
| 3745-150-15 | First use of funds |

These rules are being proposed to implement RC Section 6111.036, where it indicates that the Director may adopt rules for implementing the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund program.

The public comment period will run until close of business November 14, 2006. A public hearing on this proposed rule making will be held to consider public comments in accordance with Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. This hearing will be held on November 14, 2006 at 2:00 PM in Conference room B of the Central Office of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency located at 122 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio.

To facilitate the scheduling of oral presentations, persons intending to give testimony at the hearing should notify the Ohio EPA Public Interest Center, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049, (614) 644-2160. Prior registration will ensure that registrants are heard ahead of those individuals who register at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to five minutes, depending on the number of persons testifying. All interested persons are entitled to attend or be represented and to present oral and/or written comments concerning the proposed rule making.

Written testimony should be sent to the attention of Robert Monsarrat at the Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus Ohio 43216-1049. Written comments may also be submitted to the Hearing Officer at the public hearing. Written testimony will receive the same consideration as oral testimony. All testimony received at the hearing or by close of business on November 14, 2006, will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this rule making proposal. Written comments submitted after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit.

Questions regarding this rule package should be directed to Robert Monsarrat, at the Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA), at (614) 644-2798.

To receive a copy of the proposed rules, please contact the DEFA receptionist at (614) 644-2798. In addition, full copies of all proposed rules are available for review at any Ohio EPA district office and at the Ohio EPA central office. The proposed rules are also accessible on the DEFA web page at <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/defa/>.