

**BEFORE THE
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**Public Notice
Proposed Rulemaking Governing
Revised Rules for Sewage Sludge**

Notice is hereby given that the Director of Environmental Protection, under the authority of Sections 6111.03 and 6111.042 of the Ohio Revised Code and in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code, proposes to adopt the following rules of the Ohio Administrative Code:

Rule Number	Rule Title	Proposed Action
3745-40-01	Definitions.	Amend
3745-40-02	Purpose, applicability and exclusions.	Amend
3745-40-03	Permits, plans and authorizations.	Amend
3745-40-04	Land application agronomic management.	Amend
3745-40-05	Land application restrictions.	Amend
3745-40-06	Land application monitoring and reporting.	Amend
3745-40-07	Other management practices; prohibition.	Amend

These rules address the final use or disposal of sewage sludge in the state of Ohio. The revised rules include minor, administrative changes that are considered housekeeping in nature.

The public comment period will run until **5 p.m. on July 10, 2007**. A public hearing on the proposed rules will be held to consider public comments in accordance with Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. This hearing will be held in **Room C at 50 W. Town Street, Suite 700, Columbus, Ohio 43215 on Tuesday, July 10, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.**

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 rules.

Written testimony should be sent to the attention of **Jacob Howdysshell** at the Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water. 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 **5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 10, 2007**, will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this rulemaking. Written comments submitted after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit.

Questions regarding this rule package should be directed to **Jacob Howdysshell**, at the Division of Surface Water, at (614) 644-2018 or via email at jacob.howdysshell@epa.state.oh.us.

To receive a copy of the proposed rules, please contact **Jacob Howdysshell** at (614) 644-2018 or by the email address above. In addition, the 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 Division of Surface Water Web page at www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw.