

**BEFORE THE
OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**Public Notice
Proposed Rulemaking Governing
Alternative Fuel Grant Rules
May 25, 2023**

Notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Legal Services has proposed rescissions to rules in Chapter 3745-49 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Ohio EPA has reviewed the Alternative Fuel Grant Rules to satisfy the five-year rule review requirements of section 106.03 and 106.031 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Rule Number	Rule Title
3745-49-53	Definitions – alternative fuel vehicles.
3745-49-54	Permitted uses, eligibility, and prioritization.
3745-49-55	Grant administration.

The public comment period will run until June 29, 2023. A public hearing on this proposed rulemaking will be held to consider public comments in accordance with Section 119.03 of the Ohio Revised Code. Ohio EPA will be holding an in-person and virtual public hearing on the rules on 11:30 am, on June 29, 2023, both virtually and in-person at Ohio EPA, 50 W. Town St. Suite 700, Columbus, OH 43215. The in-person hearing will be at the same time and date and will be located at Ohio EPA, Suite 700, 50 W. Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. During the hearing, the public may submit written comments on the record about the proposed rules if participating virtually and verbally if participating in person. Citizens who want to participate virtually must register in advance for the meeting at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/535090959148164957>

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, or by emailing mary.mccarron@epa.ohio.gov. 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 rulemaking.

Written testimony should be sent to the attention of Mandi Payton, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus Ohio 43216-1049 or can be emailed to Mandi Payton at amanda.payton@epa.ohio.gov. 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 June 29, 2023, will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this rulemaking proposal. Written comments submitted after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit.

To obtain a copy of the proposed rules, contact Mandi Payton. These rules and associated documents are available on Agency's Web page for electronic downloading here: <https://epa.ohio.gov/find-regulations/agency-wide-rules>.

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