

**NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR THE NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED WATER  
REUSE REGULATIONS, GROUND AND SURFACE WATER PROTECTION –  
SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER REUSE (20.6.8 NMAC)**

The Public Hearing for proposed supplemental water reuse regulations will continue in-person in Room 322 at the New Mexico State Capitol, 411 S. Capitol Street, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and via the WebEx video conferencing platform beginning on **Monday, August 5, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. and continuing as necessary. Detailed information concerning the time and location can be found on the New Mexico Environment Department's ("NMED's") Event Calendar at <https://www.env.nm.gov/events-calendar/>. Please visit the WQCC website prior to the hearing for any updates at <https://www.env.nm.gov/opf/water-quality-control-commission/>.**

The purpose of the public hearing is to consider NMED's proposed water reuse regulations, Ground and Surface Water Protection -Supplemental Requirements for Water Reuse (20.6.8 NMAC), which include the restricted reuse of treated produced water (water derived from oil and gas activities) for purposes outside of and unrelated to the oil and gas industry. The proposed regulations may be reviewed online at <https://www.env.nm.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Second-Amended-Proposed-Reuse-Regulations-20.6.8-NMAC-2-Ext.pdf>. Technical information that served as a basis for the proposed rule may be obtained from the Department upon request. Persons who wish to review a physical copy of the proposed rule should contact Pamela Jones, the WQCC Administrator, at the address provided below.

All interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity at the hearing to submit public comment. Those wishing to do so may offer non-technical public comment at the hearing or submit a non-technical written statement in lieu of oral testimony at or before the hearing. Written comments regarding the proposed rule may be addressed to Pamela Jones, WQCC Administrator, at the below address, and should reference docket number **WQCC 23-84(R)**.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the WQCC Rulemaking Procedures (20.1.6 NMAC); the Water Quality Act, Sections 74-6-1 to -17 NMSA 1978 (1967 as amended through 2019); the State Rules Act, Section 14-4-5.3 NMSA 1978; and other applicable procedures.

If any person requires assistance, an interpreter or auxiliary aid to participate in this process, please contact Pamela Jones, WQCC Administrator, at least 14 days prior to the hearing, or as soon as possible by mail at New Mexico Environment Department, Harold Runnels Building, P.O. Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502; by email at [pamela.jones@env.nm.gov](mailto:pamela.jones@env.nm.gov); or by phone at 505.660.4305.

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