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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

The proposed rulemaking will ensure information submitted to the Department is sufficient and complete, creating more efficient processes for property owners, consultants, and Department staff.

Proposed changes include updating technical requirements and standards for reports, requesting GIS data for the study area boundary one year after the rule becomes effective and for all required GIS data two years after that date, and replacing an expired portion of rule that provided a dispute resolution process for jurisdictional determinations with a new process that will allow applicants to request an appeal decision from the Department's Director.