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STATEMENT OF NEED AND FISCAL IMPACT
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809
Administrative Rules Chapter Number

Adoption of 2015-2017 Operating Budget

Rule Caption (Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.)

In the Matter of:

Biennial Operating Budget for 2015-2017 (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2017)

Statutory Authority:

ORS 670.310, 672.705, 182.462

Other Authority:

Statutes Implemented:

ORS 672.505 & 182.462

Need for the Rule(s):

The Board adopts its biennial budget through the Administrative Rule Hearing process pursuant to ORS 182.462. Having discussed and approved the budget in public session, the Board is now formally presenting it for review to its registrants and other interested parties.

Documents Relied Upon, and where they are available:

The Board relied upon actual revenues and expenses for the 2013-2015 biennium, notices from service providers about pending adjustments to charges for 2015-2017, registration trends, and other pertinent financial information. The Board also considered its work goals for the 2015-2017 biennium. Supporting documents are located in the Board office. The budget is posted on the Board's website as part of the rulemaking process.

Fiscal and Economic Impact:

No increases to any fees are proposed as part of the 2015-2017 budget. The Board intends to operate off anticipated licensing revenues and reserve funds.

Statement of Cost of Compliance:

1. Impact on state agencies, units of local government and the public (ORS 183.335(2)(b)(E)):

This rule amendment adopts the Board's budget for 2015-2017. There are no fee increases and no other impacts on state agencies, local governments or the public. The Board will operate on licensing revenues and reserve funds.

2. Cost of compliance effect on small business (ORS 183.336):

a. Estimate the number of small business and types of businesses and industries with small businesses subject to the rule:

The Board's budget is considered to be of interest to its current and potential registrants given the Board's reliance on licensing-related fees to operate. However, the Board registers only individuals and not businesses. These registrants and potential registrants work in a variety of businesses. The Board does not anticipate any impacts to these businesses offering geological services or the geological services industry in general, especially considering that no fee increases are proposed as part of the budget. Furthermore, adoption of the operating budget will not subject businesses and industries with small businesses to any new regulatory requirements.

b. Projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative activities required for compliance, including costs of professional services:

No Impact

c. Equipment, supplies, labor and increased administration required for compliance:

No Impact

How were small businesses involved in the development of this rule?

The Board discussed and approved the 2015-2017 budget in public meetings. All registrants and other interested parties could attend those public meetings and provide public comment. As part of the rulemaking hearing process, information about the budget is distributed to registrants and other interested parties and posted on the Board website for the general public. Any small business with professionals engaged in the public practice of geology or other interests in the operating budget of the Board may submit written comments to the Board

office or participate in the rulemaking hearing.

Administrative Rule Advisory Committee consulted?: No

If not, why?:

The Board Budget Committee historically drafts the budget for review and approval of the entire Board. The Board's Administrative Rules Committee is not asked to take on this function due to the detailed financial analysis that is required to formulate the budget. Because the Board holds a public rulemaking hearing and issues notice to interested parties, all registrants have the opportunity to offer input to the Board about the budget by participating in the hearing or by otherwise submitting public comments.

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