
Date: Nov. 7, 2018

To: Environmental Quality Commission

From: Richard Whitman, Director

Subject: Agenda item J, Informational item: Smoke Management Plan updates and proposed rulemaking
Nov. 15-16, 2018, EQC meeting

Purpose of item DEQ, with co-presenters from the Oregon Department of Forestry and Oregon Health Authority, will present updates on the Smoke Management Plan and proposed rulemaking.

Background DEQ last provided the commission an overview of proposed revisions to the Smoke Management Plan at the May 10-11, 2018, regular EQC meeting. Since the update, DEQ and ODF held a public comment period from July 18 until Sept. 14, 2018. DEQ and ODF also held joint public hearings from August 21 through 29, 2018.

DEQ and ODF are in the process of evaluating feedback received during the public comment period and revising the finalizing the proposed rules.

DEQ will update the commission on feedback received during the comment period and hearings and answer questions regarding the proposed revisions to the rule.

EQC involvement DEQ will request approval of the updated Oregon Smoke Management Plan and for the commission's approval for DEQ to submit the revised Plan, rules and ODF directive to EPA for review and incorporation into Oregon's State Implementation Plan during the January 2019 EQC meeting.

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