

department of environmental protection

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Water Quality Standards Triennial Review Comments

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Water and Waste Management is accepting recommendations for revisions to Legislative Rule §47 CSR 2, "Requirements Governing Water Quality Standards." This rule establishes requirements governing standards of water quality for the surface waters of the state. State water quality standards are developed to help protect and preserve water quality necessary to meet and maintain designated or assigned uses, such as swimming, recreation, public water supply, and aquatic life.

WV DEP is accepting these recommendations for suggested rule changes in preparation for the Water Quality Standards Triennial Review, as required by the federal Clean Water Act. The WV DEP reviews these recommendations before determining changes that will be proposed in 2023 for the 2024 Legislative session.

DEP will accept written recommendations and any supporting scientific information by mail or email through April 15, 2022.

Email WQSComments@wv.gov, or send mail to:

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A public meeting will also be held on June 28, 2022, from 1:00PM to 4:00PM at the WV DEP, 601 57th St., S.E. Charleston, WV 25304. Virtual meeting options are available by utilizing the link or phone number below.

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Or by phone at 1-347-554-7633, PIN: 794 509 302#