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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
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PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC CHAPTERS 50, 55 AND 80

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 TAC Chapter 50, Action on Applications and Other Authorizations, §50.139; Chapter 55, Requests for Reconsideration and Contested Case Hearings; Public Comment, §§55.103, 55.201, 55.203, and 55.256; and Chapter 80, Contested Case Hearings, §§80.17, 80.108, 80.109, 80.117, 80.131, 80.151, 80.257, and 80.261 under the requirements of Texas Water Code, §5.103; Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B.

The proposed rulemaking would implement House Bill 2694, Article 10, Contested Case Hearings, 82nd Legislature, 2011, which amends the Texas Water Code by adding new §5.315, amending §5.115(b) and §5.228(c) and (d), and by deleting §5.228(e), and revises the contested case hearings process.

The commission will hold a public hearing on this proposal in Austin on December 12, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in Building E, Room 201S, at the commission's central office located at 12100 Park 35 Circle. The hearing is structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. Open discussion will not be permitted during the hearing; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the hearing.

Persons who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802. Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

Written comments may be submitted to Charlotte Horn, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas

78711-3087, or faxed to (512) 239-4808. Electronic comments may be submitted at: <http://www5.tceq.texas.gov/rules/ecomments/>. File size restrictions may apply to comments being submitted via the eComments system. All comments should reference Rule Project Number 2011-030-080-LS. The comment period closes December 19, 2011. Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's Web site at http://www.tceq.texas.gov/nav/rules/propose_adopt.html. For further information, please contact Janis Hudson, Environmental Law Division, (512) 239-0466, or Kathy Humphreys, Environmental Law Division, (512) 239-3417.

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