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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
GROUND WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Tuesday, September 23, 2008
6:00 p.m. PDT
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

TELECONFERENCE
hosted at
Detroit Conference Room
North Mall Office Building
725 Summer St. NE, Ste A
Salem, Oregon

TENTATIVE AGENDA
order subject to change

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| I. | Call to Order | Smith |
| II. | Approval of Minutes for the 8/15/08 Meeting – <u>deferred to next meeting</u> | Smith |
| III. | Advice on Proposed Well Construction Rule Changes | Pandian |
| IV. | Public Comment - Items not on the Agenda* | |

* Individuals from the public have two different ways to comment at the meeting. On agenda items, they may respond to the committee chair's invitation to comment during the agenda item. On non-agenda items, they may respond to the chair's invitation at the scheduled public comment time.

The meeting is open to the public and all interested parties at that location; if special physical, language or other accommodations are needed for this meeting, please advise as soon as possible but at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Access to the Detroit Conference Room may be made with the assistance of the contact person.

September 16, 2008

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SALEM-- The Water Resources Commission's Ground Water Advisory Committee (GWAC) will meet on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. PDT. The GWAC will meet by teleconference hosted at the Detroit Conference Room, North Mall Office Building, 725 Summer St NE, Salem. Members of the public are welcome to attend the meeting at the conference room.

Advice on Proposed Well Construction Rule Changes

Juno Pandian, Manager of the Well Construction and Compliance Section, will present this action item. GWAC's advice is sought on the proposed rules.

The Oregon Water Resources Department (Department) is proposing administrative rules to modify and clarify the initial notice of water supply well construction (Start Card) for water supply and monitoring wells; modify ground water protection rule provisions related to alterations performed on water supply wells; modify rule provisions related to the abandonment of wells; modify rule provisions related to information contained in the water supply well log; clarify the responsibility for work performed on existing water supply wells; address standards for materials used in water supply well alterations, and authorize the use of unhydrated bentonite for well abandonment. In addition, the rules propose to establish standards for the type and placement of unhydrated bentonite used for well abandonment.

Under ORS 183.335(2)(b)(G), the Department is also requesting public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

The Department is holding three public hearings on the proposed rules to obtain oral and written comments. The written comment period closes at 5 pm PDT, Thursday, September 25, 2008.

The Department's website provides additional information:

http://www1.wrd.state.or.us/files/Publications/Notices/oar_notices/OWRDOpenComment-Well%20alteration.pdf