

**TRIENNIAL AND ROUTINE REVIEWS OF
WATER QUALITY CONTROL COMMISSION REGULATIONS**

The Water Quality Control Commission is directed by the Colorado Water Quality Control Act to review all (1) water quality classifications and standards and (2) control regulations adopted by the Commission at least once every three years. 25-8-202(1)(f), C.R.S. Somewhat different triennial review processes have been established for these two types of regulations.

For water quality classifications and standards, there are three steps in the triennial review process: (1) an issues scoping hearing, for early identification of issues that it is expected will need to be addressed in the next major rulemaking hearing; (2) an issues formulation hearing, to formulate the specific issues that will be addressed in the next major rulemaking hearing; and (3) a rulemaking hearing. These three hearings occur in three consecutive years for each regulation, as set forth in the table below.

For control regulations, the Commission begins its periodic review of each regulation with an informational hearing to receive staff and public comment regarding whether the regulation in question should be revised, repealed, or continued in its current form. If it decides as a result of this informational hearing that changes should be considered, a separate rulemaking hearing is scheduled. In addition to meeting this statutory requirement, the Commission has instituted a practice of conducting periodic routine reviews of all of its regulations. Regulations other than water quality classifications and standards and control regulations generally are reviewed at five-year intervals, using a process similar to that for reviewing control regulations.

The following schedules have been established for triennial reviews of water quality classifications and standards and for triennial and routine reviews of control regulations and other regulations adopted by the Commission:

Water Quality Classifications and Standards

<u>Year</u>	<u>October Issues Scoping Hearing</u>	<u>November Issues Formulation Hearing</u>	<u>June Rulemaking Hearing</u>
2006	Upper Colorado (#33); Lower Colorado (#37)	Arkansas (#32); Rio Grande (#36)	San Juan (#34); Gunnison (#35)
2007	South Platte (#38)	Upper Colorado (#33); Lower Colorado (#37)	Arkansas (#32); Rio Grande (#36)
2008	Basic Standards (#31)	South Platte (#38)	Upper Colorado (#33); Lower Colorado (#37)
2009	San Juan (#34); Gunnison (#35)	Basic Standards (#31)	South Platte (#38)
2010	Arkansas (#32); Rio Grande (#36)	San Juan (#34); Gunnison (#35)	Basic Standards (#31)
2011	Upper Colorado (#33); Lower Colorado (#37)	Arkansas (#32); Rio Grande (#36)	San Juan (#34); Gunnison (#35)
2012	South Platte (#38)	Upper Colorado (#33); Lower Colorado (#37)	Arkansas (#32); Rio Grande (#36)

Other Commission Regulations

<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Informational Hearing</u>
Regulation #21 Procedural Rules	April, 2011
Regulation #22 Site Application Regs.	April, 2008
Regulation #23 Continuing Planning Process Reg.	October, 2011
Regulation #39 Colorado River Salinity Standards	December, 2008
Regulation #41 Basic Standards for Ground Water	May, 2007
Regulation #42 Site-Specific Ground Water Stds.	May, 2007
Regulation #51 Revolving Fund Rules	March, 2011
Regulation #53 State Grant Rules	March, 2011
Regulation #61 Discharge Permit Regulations	February, 2012
Regulation #62 Effluent Limitation Regs.	April, 2007
Regulation #63 Pretreatment Regulations	February, 2009
Regulation #64 Biosolids Regulation	July, 2008
Regulation #65 Discharges to Storm Sewers	October, 2007
Regulation #71 Dillon Control Regulation	March, 2009
Regulation #72 Cherry Creek Control Regulation	August, 2009

Regulation #73 Chatfield Control Regulation	July, 2007
Regulation #74 Bear Creek Control Regulation	July, 2007
Regulation #75 Cheraw Lake Control Regulation	November, 2009
Regulation #81 Confined Animal Feeding Reg.	May, 2007
Regulation #82 401 Certification Reg.	August, 2007
Regulation #83 Passive Mine Drainage Reg.	August, 2009
Regulation #84 Reclaimed Domestic Wastewater Control Regulation	October, 2009

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