

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Title of Rule: Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Enforcement of the Fresh Water Wetlands Act

Rule Identifier: 250-RICR-150-15-1

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Repeal

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: February 27, 2023

End of Public Comment: March 29, 2023

Rulemaking Authority:

RIGL Chapters 2-1-20.1

42-17.1

and 42-17.6

as amended.

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

Repeal of outdated regulation. This regulation has been replaced with Wetlands Regulation 3, which has been effective since July of 2022.

Additional Information and Public Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed repeal until March 29, 2023 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of the publication of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) the benefits and costs of a reasonable range of regulatory alternatives reflecting the scope of discretion; (2) alternative approaches; (3) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (4) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation contact the agency staffperson listed above.