

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

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**

**Title of Rule:** Regulations Governing the Administration of the Seafood Processors Pandemic Response and Safety Block Grant Provided to the State of Rhode Island by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service Under Title VII, Subtitle B, § 751 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. Law 116-260 (H.R. 133) in Response to the Ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic

**Rule Identifier:** 250-RICR-90-00-20

**Rulemaking Action:** Direct Final Repeal

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: February 6, 2024

End of Public Comment: March 7, 2024

**Rulemaking Authority:**

R.I. Gen. Laws § Title 20

R.I. Gen. Laws § Chapter 42-17.1

R.I. Gen. Laws § Chapter 42-35

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

Funds available have been fully expended with the program meeting its intended goals

The Agency does not expect this filing to be controversial and therefore, a public hearing will not be held.

**Additional Information and Public Comments:**

If no formal objection is received on or before March 7, 2024, the Department of Environmental Management will file the Repeal and the Final Rule will take effect on this date.

Objections should be addressed to:

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**Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:**

In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) 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.