

Notes from Minor Source Construction Permit Application

Fee Advisory Group Meeting

June 10, 2015

Handouts provided to meeting participants included:

- Meeting Agenda
- Advisory Group Charter
- Copies of Power Points on 1) 2014 Stakeholder Recommendations and 2) 2015 Legislative Session and Advisory Group Input
- Timeline for Implementation of SF488
- Draft rulemaking
- Draft Minor Source Construction Permitting Program application fee projections
- Diagram of Air Quality Fund Accounts: SF488

Electronic copies of all handouts were also available at www.iowadnr.gov/feegroups for phone participants.

1) The Advisory Group Charter was reviewed with participants and approved with no changes.

2) Jim McGraw presented a Power Point on the 2014 Stakeholder recommendations and answered questions from participants during the presentation.

3) Catharine Fitzsimmons presented a Power Point on the 2015 Legislative Session and Advisory Group Input and answered questions from participants during the presentation.

4) Jim McGraw reviewed and discussed rulemaking items in the draft rules that pertain to new source review application fees from minor sources. He reviewed a handout of the timeline for implementation of SF488. The informal comment period on the draft rulemaking started June 9.

The following issues were discussed:

- Processes should allow for the submittal of application fees by credit card in addition to check.
- The application fee should be nonrefundable if the application has been assigned to an engineer for review. There was additional discussion regarding the non-refundable portion of the fee to cover administrative costs.

Participants should send comments on the proposed rulemaking to Jim McGraw.

5) Catharine Fitzsimmons reviewed and discussed the handout with 5-year minor source construction permit application and modeling fee projections.

The following issues were discussed:

- Benefits of establishing application and modeling fees that would cover projected expenses for this program area for five years.
- Whether templates and PBRs were included in the number of permits issued for each year from 2010 through 2014.
- Need to update template count table to include counts of different template types issued in 2014.
- Pros and cons of implementing a fee for services for permit application reviews and modeling.

Comments and questions received during the draft rule and fee projection discussions will be used to help develop frequently Asked Questions (FAQ).

6) Action Items:

a) DNR will provide an estimate of the cost of processing an application from receipt of an application to assignment of an application to an engineer.

b) DNR will determine which templates are included in the number of permits issued for each year from 2010 through 2014. (Action Item completed: All template counts except Group 1 and PBRs are included in the counts for each year).

c) DNR will compile 2014 template data and PBR data. (Action Item completed: 2014 template and PBR counts provided to requester and added to template count table in fee projection document.)

7) Next meeting: July 8, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.