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1. Leaking underground storage tank cleanup, animal feeding rules on October EPC agenda

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CLEANUP, ANIMAL FEEDING RULES ON OCTOBER EPC AGENDA

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FAYETTE – The Environmental Protection Commission will be asked to approve contracts to clean up leaking underground storage tanks at its Oct. 20 meeting in Fayette.

Commissioners will be asked to approve contracts for four vendors to conduct assessments and develop clean-up plans for sites across the state with petroleum contamination from leaking underground storage tanks. The vendors will also be responsible for carrying out the plan and clean-up activities. Stimulus funds for the clean-up effort come from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Commissioners will also receive information on proposed amendments to animal feeding operation rules regarding open feedlot stockpiles, dry manure stockpiling, application of manure on snow covered and frozen ground, and dry bedded confinement feeding operations.

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Fayette Opera House at 301 South Main St. in Fayette. The meeting is open to the public and public participation is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The meeting will be preceded by tours and dinner on Oct. 19.

The complete agenda follows:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Director's Remarks
- Contract – Amendment – Association of Boards of Certification
- Notice of Intended Action – Chapters 90 - 93 – Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- Contract – Iowa Department of Public Health for administration of the Grants To Counties Well Program
- Contract – Cahoy Well & Pump Services for Geologic Drilling
- Contracts - IDALS Division of Soil Conservation and with Soil and Water Conservation Districts for Watershed Management Plans
- Contract and Contract Amendments with IDALS Division of Soil Conservation for Watershed Projects
- Contracts - Iowa LUST ARRA Project with:
 - Geotek Engineering & Testing Services, Inc.
 - MPS Engineers, PC
 - Seneca Environmental Engineers, Inc.
 - Terracon Consultants, Inc.
- Solid Waste Environmental Management Systems (House File 2570, 2008 Legislative) Pilot Project Participants
- Contract – Gresham, Smith and Partners (GS&P) – Solid Waste Alternatives Program Advisory Council Consultant
- Notice of Intended Action - Proposed Rule - amend IAC 567 chapters 123 Regional Collection Centers and Mobile Unit Collection and Consolidation Centers and 211 Financial Assistance for the Collection of Household Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste from Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators
- Contract – FOX KDSM – Youth Environmental Television Series
- Contract – Applied Art & Technology – Mobile Education Trailer Renovation
- Notice of Intended Action – Amendments to Chapter 65, Animal Feeding Operations
- Reduce Iowa's Diesel Exhaust (RIDE) grant program - Recommendations
- 2010 EPC Dates and Locations
- Monthly Reports
- General Discussion
- Items for Next Month's Meeting
 - Nov. 17 – Windsor Heights
 - Dec. 15 – Windsor Heights

Look for more information on the DNR Web site under “Commissions and Boards” at www.iowadnr.gov.

The members of the commission are Charlotte Hubbell, chair, Des Moines; Marty Stimson, vice-chair, Cedar Rapids; Carrie La Seur, secretary, Mount Vernon; David Petty, Eldora; Susan Heathcote, Des Moines; Paul Johnson, Decorah, Eugene Ver Steeg, Inwood; Dale Cochran, Urbandale; and Lorna Puntillo, Sioux City. The director of the DNR is Richard Leopold.

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