NOTICES OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

This section of the *Arizona Administrative Register* contains Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening.

A docket opening is the first part of the administrative rulemaking process. It is an "announcement" that the agency intends to work on its rules.

When an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking, the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of the Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening.

Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process. Many times an agency may file the Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening with the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

The Office of the Secretary of State is the filing office and publisher of these notices. Questions about the interpretation of this information should be directed to the agency contact person listed in item #4 of this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

[R15-141]

1. <u>Title and its heading:</u> 3, Agriculture

Chapter and its heading: 3, Department of Agriculture - Environmental Services Division

Articles and their headings: 1, General Provisions

2, Permits, Licenses, and Certification3, Pesticide Use, Sales, and Equipment

4, Recordkeeping and Reporting

5, Nonexclusive List of Serious, Nonserious, and De Minimis

Violations

Section numbers: R3-3-101, Table 1, R3-3-201, R3-3-202, R3-3-208, R3-3-305,

R3-3-401, R3-3-402, R3-3-502 (Sections may be added, deleted,

or modified as necessary.)

2. The subject matter of the proposed rules:

The rules pertain to the regulation of pesticide applications by golf courses. This rulemaking was already adopted under a rulemaking exemption, but in order to make the fees established by that rulemaking permanent, ADA is proceeding with regular rulemaking as well.

3. A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: 21 A.A.R. 2345, October 16, 2015 (in this issue).

4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:

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Address: Arizona Department of Agriculture

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Telephone: (602) 542-3575 Fax: (602) 542-0466 E-mail: jpeterson@azda.gov

5. The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:

Date: November 16, 2015

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Arizona Department of Agriculture

1688 W. Adams St. Phoenix, AZ 85007

Nature: Public hearing on the proposed rules, with opportunity for formal comments on the record. Please call (602) 771-4795 for special accommodations pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The close of the written comment period will be 5:00 p.m., November 16, 2015. Submit comments to the individual identified in item #4.



6. A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:

The Department is hopeful that the rulemaking can be completed and the rule can become effective by the end of the calendar year.