

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

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Return Address:	<u>602 N. 5th Street</u> <u>Baton Rouge, LA 70802</u>	Rule Title:	<u>(LAC 33:I.Chapter 19)</u>
		Date Rule Takes Effect:	<u>Upon promulgation</u>

SUMMARY
(Use complete sentences)

In accordance with Section 961 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal or amendment. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS SUMMARIZE ATTACHED WORKSHEETS, I THROUGH IV AND WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE LOUISIANA REGISTER WITH THE PROPOSED AGENCY RULE.

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There are no anticipated implementation costs or savings to state or local governmental units. This proposed rule change will allow the department to process name and ownership changes more effectively and efficiently.

The proposed rule change provides clarification for entities requesting name, ownership, and/or operator changes for effective permits subject to the rule and documents procedures. Current regulations do not adequately specify the activities that are exempt from the rule, resulting in a significant number of deficiency notices or the need for amended requests. The proposed rule change seeks to provide greater clarity, thereby allowing the request to proceed more efficiently.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

There is no estimated increase or decrease in revenues anticipated from this proposed rule change.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

There may be a decrease in costs to entities submitting a Notification of Change (NOC-1) Form, as the proposed rule change seeks to provide greater clarification as to the applicability of the rule, thereby reducing notices of deficiency.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

There is no estimated effect on competition and employment as a result of the proposed rule change.

Jill C. Clark
Signature of Head or Designee

Jill C. Clark, General Counsel
Typed Name & Title of Agency Head or Designee

9-9-2025
Date of Signature

Patricia Thomas, Deputy Fiscal Officer
Legislative Fiscal Officer or Designee

9/10/2025
Date of Signature

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The following information is required in order to assist the Legislative Fiscal Office in its review of the fiscal and economic impact statement and to assist the appropriate legislative oversight subcommittee in its deliberation on the proposed rule.

- A. Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption, or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment). Attach a copy of the notice of intent and a copy of the rule proposed for initial adoption or repeal (or, in the case of a rule change, copies of both the current and proposed rules with amended portions indicated).

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- B. Summarize the circumstances, which require this action. If the Action is required by federal regulation, attach a copy of the applicable regulation.

The proposed rule change is not required by federal regulation. The proposed rule change provides clarification and better customer service, clarifies expectations, and provides these services more effectively and efficiently. The Permit Application and Administrative Review group (PAAR) within the Public Participation and Permit Support Division (PPPSD) is responsible for processing Notification of Change (NOC-1) Forms pursuant to LAC 33:I.Chapter 19. Due to the apparent lack of specificity in the current regulation, many applicants submit NOC-1 Forms that are incomplete or request action on activities not covered in the regulation, resulting in a high percentage of NOC-1 Forms requiring deficiency letters or additional clarification. For example, the PAAR group frequently receives NOC-1 Forms for activities not covered by the regulations or the group (examples include radiation and Underground Storage Tank facilities). PAAR also receives NOC-1 Forms for activities that are not transferable (examples include expired or terminated permits, air exemptions, and certain storm water general permits). Addressing these requests not only requires staff time, but it is also frustrating to the regulated community.

- C. Compliance with Act 11 of the 1986 First Extraordinary Session
(1) Will the proposed rule change result in any increase in the expenditure of funds? If so, specify amount and source of funding.

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to result in any increase in the expenditure of funds.

- (2) If the answer to (1) above is yes, has the Legislature specifically appropriated the funds necessary for the associated expenditure increase?

(a) _____ YES. If yes, attach documentation.

(b) _____ NO. If no, provide justification as to why this rule change should be published at this time

Not applicable.

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I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase (decrease) in costs to implement the proposed action?

COSTS	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28
PERSONAL SERVICES	\$0	\$0	\$0
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$0	\$0	\$0
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER CHARGES	\$0	\$0	\$0
EQUIPMENT	\$0	\$0	\$0
MAJOR REPAIR & CONSTR.	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0
POSITIONS (#)	0	0	0

2. Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A. 1.", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

The proposed rule change is not anticipated to have any impact on state or local governmental revenues.

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.

SOURCE	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28
STATE GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED	\$0	\$0	\$0
DEDICATED	\$0	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER (Specify)	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

The proposed rule is not anticipated to require additional funding; it simply adds clarification to address common deficiencies and documents current procedures.

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions and methods used in calculating this impact.

There is no anticipated impact on local governmental units as a result of this proposed rule change. The proposed rule change does not change the current process; it only provides clarification.

2. Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit, which will be affected by these costs or savings.

There is no anticipated impact on local governmental units as a result of this proposed rule change.

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II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

A. What increase (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action?

REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28
STATE GENERAL FUND	\$0	\$0	\$0
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED	\$0	\$0	\$0
DEDICATED	\$0	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0
LOCAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$0	\$0	\$0

*Specify the particular fund being impacted.

B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A." Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

There is no anticipated impact on revenue collections of state and local governmental units as a result of this proposed rule change.

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III. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

- A. What persons, small businesses, or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effect on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

There may be a decrease in costs to entities submitting a Notification of Change (NOC-1) Form, as the proposed rule change seeks to provide greater clarification as to the applicability of the rule, thereby reducing notices of deficiency.

- B. Also provide an estimate and a narrative description of any impact on receipts and/or income resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

There is no anticipated impact on receipts and/or income from the proposed rule change, as it clarifies the requirements and documents procedures.

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

The department does not anticipate any impact on competition in the public and private sectors as a result of the proposed rule change.