

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT**  
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**Rules and Regulations Filed Since January 2006**

<b>Title of the Regulation As Filed with the Secretary of State's Office</b>	<b>Effective Date of the Regulation</b>	<b>Type of Filing</b>
Water Quality Regulations	7/11/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XII - Striped Bass	6/23/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part I - Legislative Findings	6/15/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XI - Commercial Fisheries	6/15/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	6/01/06	Amendment
Freshwater and Anadromous Fishing Regulations for 2006-2007 Season	5/22/06 (Will Expire on 09/19/2006)	Emergency Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part IV - Shellfish	5/18/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	5/18/06	Amendment

RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XII - Striped Bass	5/18/06	Amendment
Rules and Regulations for Groundwater Quality	5/15/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	5/09/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	4/21/06	Amendment
Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 37- Rhode Island's Low Emission Vehicle Program	4/07/06	Technical Revision
Freshwater and Anadromous FISHING REGULATIONS for the 2006/2007 SEASON	3/22/06 <i>(Will expire on 7/20/2006)</i>	Emergency Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	3/22/06	Emergency
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part I - Legislative Findings	3/20/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	3/17/06	Amendment
Rules and Regulations for the Narragansett Bay and Watershed Restoration Bond	3/08/06	New Adoption
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part VII - Minimum Sizes of Fish/Shellfish	2/09/06	Amendment
RHODE ISLAND MARINE FISHERIES STATUTES AND REGULATIONS - Part XIX - FISH/SHELLFISH DEALER REGULATIONS	2/09/06	Amendment
2006 Management Plan for the Shellfish Fishery Sector	1/20/06	Technical Revision

## Rules and Regulations Proposed to be Filed After June 15, 2006<sup>i</sup>

TITLE/SUBJECT AREA	Objective	Type of Filing & Anticipated Schedule	Interested Parties	Agency Contact
<p><b>MARINE FISHERIES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-2, 20-1-4, 20-3-1 THROUGH 20-3-6, 20-4 THROUGH 20-10, 42.17.1, 42-17.6, 42-35-18(B)(5), AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend/regulate fisheries methods, possession limits, and season according to federal agency mandates and decisions by the Director in conjunction with the RI Marine Fisheries Council</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>Continuous amendments throughout the year to keep RI in compliance with federal and regional mandates and establish fisheries management rules.</p>	<p>All commercial and recreational fishermen and fish processing businesses.</p>	<p>Mark Gibson, Deputy Chief, Marine Fisheries, DEM – Fish and Wildlife 423-1940</p>
<p><b>HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR 2006-2007 SEASON; FRESHWATER FISHING REGULATIONS FOR 2007-2008 SEASON</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 42-17.1, 42-17.6 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish conditions and requirements for hunting or fishing species, bag limits, minimum size restrictions, seasons, etc. in accordance with federal guidelines and public comment.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of RI's hunting/fishing regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Recreational hunters/trappers and anglers.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>
<p><b>RI FALCONRY REGULATIONS FOR THE 2006-2007 SEASON</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 42-17.1, 42-17.6, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Allow for the managed practice of falconry in Rhode Island.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of falconry regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Falancers/recreational hunters.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>

<p><b>HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR WATERFOWL 2006-2007 SEASON</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-4, 20-1-5, 20-1-12, 20-1-13, 20-2-35, 20-2-37, 42-17.1, 42-17.6, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish seasons, bag limits, and methods by which waterfowl hunting may be carried out in Rhode Island.</p>	<p><i>New regulation (annual adoption of waterfowl hunting regulations).</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Recreational hunters.</p>	<p>Michael Lapisky, Fish and Wildlife, 789-7083</p>
<p><b>RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING NUISANCE WILDLIFE CONTROL SPECIALISTS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 20-1-18, 42-17.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish standards under which nuisance wildlife control specialists may be permitted to conduct the capture, handling, disposition, exclusion, and other activities as related to wildlife protected under Chapter 20-1.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Individuals (current and future) authorized to conduct nuisance wildlife services under existing permits and municipal animal control officers.</p>	<p>Lori Gibson, Charles Brown, DEM Division of Fish and Wildlife, 789-0281</p>
<p><b>COMMERCIAL RECYCLING</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-18.8-2, 23-18.9-1, 23-18.9-7, 23-19-3, 23-19-5, 37-15, 42-17.1-2, 42-17.6, 42-20.16, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update existing commercial recycling regulations to reflect recent amendments to the state solid waste guide plan.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the third quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Businesses generating waste, waste haulers, RIRRC, municipalities, environmental advocacy groups.</p>	<p>Terrence Gray, Office of the Director, 222-4700, x7100</p>
<p><b>AIR POLLUTION CONTROL PERMITS (APC REGULATION NO. 9)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12), AND 42-35</p>	<p>Streamline the permitting process based on the recommendations of a stakeholder group.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry, municipalities, and/or state agencies that install or modify equipment requiring air pollution permits.</p>	<p>Doug McVay, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7011</p>

<p><b>EMISSIONS STANDARDS FOR SMALLER SCALE ELECTRIC GENERATION FACILITIES (APC REGULATION 43)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23(5)12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish regulations limiting air pollution emissions from small-scale combined heat and power and distributed generation projects.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Engine and turbine manufacturers, and large energy users, state agencies, and businesses who would consider on-site electric generation.</p>	<p>Doug McVay, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7011</p>
<p><b>CONTROL OF VOCs FROM COMMERCIAL AND CONSUMER PRODUCTS (APC REGULATION NO. 31)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend APC Regulation No. 31, "Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Commercial and Consumer Products," to: 1) convert it from a contingency regulation to an active regulation; and 2) update the list of regulated products &amp; VOC limits to ensure consistency with those in the OTC model rule and neighboring states.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell commercial and consumer products that emit VOCs and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p><b>DEFINITIONS IN AIR POLLUTION CONTROL REGULATIONS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update the definition of "Volatile Organic Compound" in the air pollution control regulations to be consistent with the federal definition. Create a central list of consistent definitions for 15-20 terms used in several APC regulations and remove the definitions of those terms (including VOC) from individual APC regulations.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry and other entities subject to RI APC regulations.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p><b>CHEMICAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM (APC REGULATION NO. 40)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23 (5)12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Implement state planning requirements for accidental release prevention. (Similar to federal requirements but will respond to state-specific issues.)</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Industrial facilities that store toxic or flammable substances, members of the public who reside near such facilities, and administrators of schools, hospitals, etc. in the vicinity of such industrial facilities.</p>	<p>Gina Friedman, Office of Air Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7016</p>

<p><b>RHODE ISLAND MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION/MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (APC REGULATION NO. 34)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 31-47.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amendment to adjust RI I/M program to match EPA requirements.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Auto inspection and maintenance stations.</p>	<p>Frank Stevenson, Office of Air Resources 222-2808, ext. 7021</p>
<p><b>CONTROL OF VOCs FROM ARCHITECTURAL COATINGS AND INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE COATINGS (APC REGULATION NO. 33)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend APC Regulation No. 33, "Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Architectural Coatings and Industrial Maintenance Coatings," to: 1) convert it from a contingency regulation to an active regulation; and 2) update the list of regulated products &amp; VOC limits to ensure consistency with those in the OTC model rule and neighboring states.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell architectural and industrial maintenance coatings and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p><b>PORTABLE FUEL CONTAINER SPILLAGE CONTROL (APC REGULATION NO. 44)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-23-5(12) AND 42-35</p>	<p>Promulgate new regulation consistent with the OTC model to minimize emissions from portable fuel containers.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses that manufacture and/or sell portable fuel containers and consumers of such products.</p>	<p>Barbara Morin, Office of Air Resources, 222-2808, ext. 7012</p>
<p><b>REGULATIONS FOR DREDGING AND THE MANAGEMENT OF DREDGE MATERIALS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-6.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Revise and clarify public notice requirements for dredging projects.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Marina owners, CRMC, boating public and waste processors.</p>	<p>Ronald Gagnon, Office of Technical and Customer Assistance, 222-4700, ext. 7500</p>

<p><b>INSPECTIONS OF DAMS AND RESERVOIRS (DAM SAFETY)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-19, 42-17.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish a regulatory framework for several of the major provisions of the state's current dam safety law. Identify minimum requirements for maintenance of a dam, registration of a dam, and responsibilities of the department and dam owners in inspecting and repairing dams. Adopt a formal hazard classification system for dams and improve regulatory oversight of dams.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Dam owners, cities and towns, property owners adjacent to and downstream of open water bodies created by a dam, and members of the general public who use water bodies created by a dam for recreational purposes.</p>	<p>David Chopy, Office of Compliance and Inspection, 222- 4700, ext. 7257</p>
<p><b>USED OIL RECYCLING</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1, 42-17.1, 46-12, 23-23, 23-18.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish management and handling standards for generators, transporters, and facilities dealing with used oil to facilitate the recycling of used oil rather than disposing as a hazardous waste.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM has already held the required public hearing and hopes to file the amended regulations during the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Businesses, industry, municipalities, and state agencies that generate, transport, or deal with used oil.</p>	<p>Dean Albro, Office of Compliance &amp; Inspection, 222- 1360, ext. 7400</p> <p>Sean Carney, Office of Compliance &amp; Inspection, 222- 1360, ext. 7411</p>
<p><b>RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR COMPOSTING AND SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-18.9, 42-17.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend solid waste regulations in accordance with recent legislative changes governing beneficial reuse projects (BUD) and tree stumps/ waste. Revisions to solid waste fees also anticipated.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Municipalities, solid waste management community, and compost facilities.</p>	<p>Leo Hellested, Office of Waste Management, 222-4700, ext. 7502</p>

<p><b>HAZARDOUS WASTE REGULATIONS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1, 42-17.1, 46-12, 23-23, 23-18.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Incorporation of new federal manifest rules, and revisions to generator fees. Additional revisions may include updates for treatment, storage, and disposal facilities to incorporate federal changes through July 05'.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Hazardous waste transporters, businesses, industry, municipalities, and state agencies that generate, transport, or deal with hazardous wastes.</p>	<p>Leo Hellested, Office of Waste Management 222-4700, ext. 7502</p>
<p><b>UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1-2 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Revisions necessary to address requirements of the new federal Energy Act, including delivery prohibition, "red tag" provisions, and new inspection requirements.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Underground storage tank owners, municipalities, and environmental consultants.</p>	<p>Kevin Gillen, Office of Waste Management, 222-4700, ext. 7116</p>
<p><b>REMEDIATION REGULATIONS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1, 23-19.14, 42-17.1-2, 46-12, 46-13.1, 23-19.1-6, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend Remediation Regulations in accordance with recent changes to RI's brownfields law.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Municipalities, the development community, and environmental consultants.</p>	<p>Leo Hellested, Office of Waste Management, 222-4700, ext. 7502</p>
<p><b>MERCURY-ADDED PRODUCTS – CONVENIENCE LIGHT SWITCHES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-19.1-6, 23-24.9, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Incorporate changes adopted by RI General Assembly which mandates a bounty program for mercury-added motor vehicle convenience light switches.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process in the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Automobile manufacturers and recyclers.</p>	<p>Ronald Gagnon, Office of Technical and Customer Assistance, 222-4700, ext. 7500</p>

<p><b>REGULATIONS GOVERNING ANIMAL CARE</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-19 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish comprehensive animal care regulations. Include new licensure requirements, procedures and protocols for the intake, relinquishment, sheltering, transfer and adoption of animals to and from the public.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Animal welfare groups, animal control agencies, animals volunteer groups, pet shops, kennels, pounds, auction markets, and veterinarians.</p>	<p>Chris H. Hannafin, D.V.M., RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4503</p>
<p><b>ERADICATION OF SCRAPIES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-4, 42-35, AND CFR TITLE 9 PART 79</p>	<p>Keep Rhode Island in compliance with federal regulations governing scrapies, a fatal, degenerative disease affecting the central nervous system of sheep and goats.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Sheep and goat herders/farmers, and USDA.</p>	<p>Chris H. Hannafin, D.V.M and Peter B. Belinsky, V.M.D, RI State Public Health Veterinarians, Division of Agriculture, 222-2781</p>
<p><b>PESTICIDE CONTROL</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 23-25-9 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Classify pesticides that have been shown to pose a threat to groundwater and surface water within the state. Will allow use of these chemicals only by certified pesticide applicators and maintain/require reporting of the use of these chemicals on an annual basis.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Agricultural and commercial certified applicators.</p>	<p>Liz Lopes-Duguay, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4510</p>
<p><b>IMPORTATION AND POSSESSION OF WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-19 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update and revise the regulations (including increasing permits fees) concerning the importation of, possession of, and standards of care for exotic and wild animals.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Zoos, researchers, exhibitors, veterinarians, animal welfare groups.</p>	<p>Chris H. Hannafin, D.V.M., RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4503</p>

<p><b>IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-19 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update and revise the regulations governing the importation of animals, particularly with regard to the required import permits, certificates of veterinary inspection, and disease-free certification.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>General public, health professions, animal industry, animal welfare groups, veterinarians, agriculture, and animal wildlife groups.</p>	<p>Chris H. Hannafin, D.V.M., RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4503</p>
<p><b>REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE IMPORTATION OF EQUINE FROM CONTAGIOUS EQUINE METRITIS (CEM) AFFECTED COUNTRIES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 4-4.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update of the regulations governing importation of horses from countries where Contagious Equine Metritis (CEM) exists. Clarify quarantine protocols and establish specific permit fees.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Licensed CEM quarantine stations.</p>	<p>Chris H. Hannafin, D.V.M., RI State Public Health Veterinarian, Division of Agriculture, 222-4700, ext. 4503</p>
<p><b>PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO FARMLAND (ALPC)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-82 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update and revise the existing rules governing the operating procedures of the Agricultural Land Preservation Commission (ALPC) regarding administration of bond funds to purchase development rights to farmland to reflect current state objectives and the comprehensive planning statute.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete revisions during the third or fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Farmers, land owners, land trusts, and conservation organizations.</p>	<p>Ken Ayars, RI DEM Division of Agriculture, 222-2781, ext. 4500</p>
<p><b>FY 2007 PROJECT PRIORITY LIST (PPL)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1, 46-12, 46-12.2, and 42-35</p>	<p>Publish the FY 2007 Project Priority List as a technical amendment to establish the universe of projects that potentially could receive funding from the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) Program and/or Interceptor Bond Fund.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the third quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Municipalities, quasi-state agencies and other local governmental units.</p>	<p>Jay Manning, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700 ext. 7254</p>

<p><b>REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE FRESH WATER WETLANDS ACT (PHASE II AND III)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 2-1-18 THROUGH 2-1-25 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend wetland regulations, in accordance with Chapter 2-1, based on the recommendations of the Wetlands Task Force and other recommendations identified by the Department.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Developers/builders, property owners, municipal officials, state agencies, and the environmental community.</p>	<p>Carolyn Murphy, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7208</p>
<p><b>REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Update regulations for statutory citations, technological advancements, and policy changes and additions as authorized in Chapters 46-12 and 42-35.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process during the second quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) operators, municipalities, industries with surface water discharging WWTFs and collection system owners (public and private).</p>	<p>Bill Patenaude, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7264</p>
<p><b>REGULATIONS FOR THE TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, UTILIZATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF SEWAGE SLUDGE</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-12 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend sludge regulations to reduce regulatory oversight of the distribution and utilization of Class A Biosolids, and bring the regulations more in line with EPA's sludge regulations.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>Municipalities with wastewater treatment facilities, landscaping and agricultural industries.</p>	<p>Alex Pinto, Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7247</p>
<p><b>REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS RELATING TO LOCATION, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1, 23-19.5, 5-56, 5-56.1, AND 42-35</p>	<p>Substantially update the technical and protective standards for septic systems including septic tanks, grease traps, leachfields and other components of an ISDS; clarify and streamline administrative requirements; and provide a comprehensive recompilation of the ISDS rule to enhance readability.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects complete the rule making process during the first quarter of 2007.</p>	<p>ISDS designers, engineers, homeowners, and those in the development industry.</p>	<p>Ernie Panciera Office of Water Resources, 222-4700, ext. 7603</p>

<p><b>ACCELERATED APPLICATION PROCESSING FOR CERTAIN DEM-ISSUED PERMITS (PILOT PROGRAM)</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 42-17.1 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Establish a new program to allow a limited number of DEM issued permits (e.g. ISDS and wetlands) to be handled in an expedited manner utilizing staff in a managed overtime process.</p>	<p><i>New regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by the end of the fourth quarter of 2006.</p>	<p>Developers, property owners, and environmental organizations.</p>	<p>Tom Getz, Office of the Director, 222-4700, ext. 2417</p>
<p><b>STATE PILOTAGE COMMISSION</b></p> <p>LEGAL BASIS: 46-9 AND 42-35</p>	<p>Amend state pilotage regulations to: 1) require the use of state issued navigational equipment; 2) add additional physical exam requirements; and 3) add night vision testing to the eye exam.</p>	<p><i>Amendment to existing regulation.</i></p> <p>DEM expects to complete the rule making process by mid-July 2006.</p>	<p>RI licensed pilots.</p>	<p>Mike Scanlon, Boating Safety Program Coordinator, Division of Enforcement, 222-2284</p>

<sup>i</sup> In response to legislation recently passed by the RI General Assembly and currently pending with the Governor's Office for final action, this list may need to be further amended to reflect bills enacted during the 2006 legislative session.

(As of 7/6/06)