

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON CERTIFICATION
OF PESTICIDE APPLICATORS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 18, Chapter 90 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with certification of pesticide applicators, including the following:

- (1) Amend 18 AAC 90.300 to modify certification requirements for the use of pesticides, including clarification of pesticide categories.
- (2) Amend 18 AAC 90.305 to modify certification procedures, including written examination practices.
- (3) Amend 18 AAC 90.310 to clarify the certification renewal criteria for pesticide use, including necessary course requirements.
- (4) Amend 18 AAC 90.415 and 18 AAC 90.420 to clarify recordkeeping requirements for pesticide applicators.
- (5) Amend 18 AAC 90.990 to add and modify definitions, including those governing restricted use pesticides and use of a pesticide.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting comments electronically via ADEC's public notice website at <https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public-notices/>.

If you are unable to submit comments via this site, you may submit written comments to Rebecca Colvin, ADEC at 555 Cordova St. Anchorage, AK 99501. Additionally, the ADEC will accept comments by facsimile at 907-269-7510 and by electronic mail at rebecca.colvin@alaska.gov.

The comments must be received not later than **11:59 pm on May 1, 2023**.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Karin Hendrickson at karin.hendrickson@alaska.gov or at 1700 E. Bogard Rd., Bldg. B, Ste. 103, Wasilla, AK 99654. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The ADEC will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System <https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public-notices/>.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Megan Kohler at megan.kohler@alaska.gov or TDD Relay Service at 1-800-770-8973/TTY not later than April 21, 2023, to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System and online at <https://dec.alaska.gov/commish/public-notices/> .

After the public comment period ends, the ADEC will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

Statutory authority: AS 41.17.100, AS 46.03.020, AS 46.03.320

Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific: AS 41.17.100; AS 46.03.010; AS 46.03.020; AS 46.03.320; AS 46.03.330; AS 46.03.730

Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Date: 3/17/2023

s/b Jason Brune, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Conservation