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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 15-023

Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated December 2014.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. In s. NR 20.20 (1) (f) 1. a., “reverts to” should be changed to “becomes”, in order for the same term to be used consistently throughout the rule. In sub. (4) (h) 2., “above” should be changed to “in subd. 1. (intro.)”. In sub. (9) (c) 3. a., “14 through 18” should be changed to “14 to 18”. This problem also occurs in subs. (26) (a) 3. a., (34) (e) 3. a., and (44) (b) 4. a. In sub. (32) (f) 2. a., “must” should be changed to “shall”. This problem also occurs in subs. (53) (f) 1. a. and 7. a., and sub. (68) (f) 1. a.

b. In s. NR 21.04 (11) (a), the stricken text “~~and~~” should precede the underscored text.

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. In s. NR 19.001 (3m), “nonnative” should be changed to “non-native”.

b. In s. NR 20.03 (18), it appears that “Unnamed tributary” and “(Willow creek)” are the same thing. If this is the case, “Unnamed tributary” should be deleted and the parentheses around “Willow creek” should also be deleted.

c. In s. NR 20.20 (1) (g) 5. a., the semi-colon between “October 15” and “Lakes” should be changed to a period. This problem also occurs in subs. (2) (h) 4. a. and (3) (f) 3. a.; the entire rule should be checked for this problem. In subs. (2) (h) 1. and 3., it appears that “state” should be added before “highway 13”. In sub. (4) (d), should “Garden lake” be listed as a separate lake? In sub. (18) (h) 1. a., after “rainbow trout”, “Maximum” should be changed to “maximum”. This problem also occurs in sub. (56) (i) 3. a. In sub. (21) (h) 2., the comma at the end of the sentence

should be deleted. In sub. (35) (c) 2. (intro.), the comma after “lake” should be deleted. In sub. (35) (e) 1., “AND” should be changed to “and”. In sub. (38) (e) 3. (intro.), the rule should specify the type of highway (e.g. state, county, country trunk) referenced. In sub. (57) (e) 1. (intro.), “down-stream” should be changed to “downstream”. In sub. (63) (c) 2. a., “At 5:00 a.m.” should be changed to “at 5:00 a.m.”. In sub. (63) (c) 4. (intro.), it appears that “county” should be inserted before “highway”. The same problem occurs in sub. (68) (f) 1. (intro.).

d. In s. NR 26.01 (intro.), “described” and “hereby” should be deleted. The same problem occurs in s. NR 26.02 (intro.). Also, in s. NR 26.01 (intro.), it would be clearer if “(start and end dates inclusive)” were replaced with “, including the start and end dates”.

e. Throughout the table created in s. NR 26.01, capitalization should be consistent. For example, “river”, “lake”, “drive”, “dam”, “creek”, and “road” should either be consistently capitalized or consistently lowercase. In addition, throughout the table, terminology should be consistent. For example, “CTH” and “county trunk highway” are used throughout the table, but one term should be used consistently throughout the rule.

f. In s. NR 26.01 (13) (f), the type of “highway”, e.g., county, should be included in the rule. In sub. (29) (a), “thence” should be deleted and replaced with “then”. This problem also occurs in s. NR 26.02 (1).

g. In s. NR 26.02 (3), “City” should be changed to the lowercase. In addition, “through” should be changed to “to”.