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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Council Staff and the Legislative Reference Bureau, dated November 2020.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. SECTIONS 1 and 2 of the proposed rule are written in the plural. Generally, the singular form of the word should be used. The department should review s. DCF 55.01, Wis. Adm. Code, and consider revising it to consistently use the singular form of words. [s. 1.05 (1) (c), Manual.]

b. The term “Indian tribe” is defined in the proposed rule, but this term is not consistently used throughout the rule and is often shortened to “tribe”. The rule also uses the phrase, “tribe located in Wisconsin”. The department should review the rule and consider whether to use “tribe” or “Indian tribe”, define a single term, and use it consistently throughout the rule. The department should also consider whether it is helpful to specify in the definition of the chosen term that it is limited to a “tribe located in Wisconsin” so that the phrase, “located in Wisconsin”, would not need to be repeated throughout the rule. Relatedly, in s. DCF 55.10 (4) (a) 3. c., the use of “in Wisconsin” in the underscored material as modifying each item in the list or the last item in the list could be clarified.