

IDAPA 07 - DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY

07.08.00 - IDAHO MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS AND PRACTICES FOR LOGGING

DOCKET NO. 07-0800-1501

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules for each of the sixteen (16) chapters contained in IDAPA 07 Title 08 of the Idaho Administrative Code addressing logging safety standards in the State of Idaho. The Division of Building Safety desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 67-2601A, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

A public meeting is scheduled by the Division of Building Safety for December 15, 2015 at the Idaho Division of Building Safety regional office located at 1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814. Participation in the meeting will also be made available throughout the state via teleconference at a telephone number provided on the Division of Building Safety website: <http://dbs.idaho.gov/>. During the public meeting on December 15, 2015, additional negotiated rulemaking meetings may be established by the Division, if necessary. Adequate notice of the dates, locations, and manner of participation of any such meeting will be posted on the Division of Building Safety website <http://dbs.idaho.gov/>.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do the following:

Interested members of the public who wish to participate must submit any written comments, questions, recommendations, or ideas to the Division of Building Safety, Logging Safety Program, on designated forms available at the Division of Building Safety website <http://dbs.idaho.gov/> and at the DBS offices in Meridian, Coeur d'Alene, and Pocatello, Idaho. Individuals may also attend the public meeting to be conducted on the above date during which the Division will allow oral comments or presentations to be made. You may contact the Division by contacting Steve Keys at the Division of Building Safety. Mr. Keys' email address is Steve.Keys@dbs.idaho.gov.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

Pursuant to Section 67-2601A, Idaho Code, the Administrator of the Idaho Division of Building Safety has the authority to promulgate rules adopting minimum logging safety standards and procedures for conducting logging inspections and safety training. The Division desires to amend provisions of the logging safety rules as it determines necessary through the negotiated rulemaking process. Specifically, the Division seeks to update and clarify the minimum safety standards for logging throughout the various logging safety rule chapters, as well as establish procedures for the abatement of unsafe logging conditions. The following is a list of rule chapters that may be discussed during the negotiated rulemaking process:

- 07.08.01** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- General Provisions;
- 07.08.02** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Health, Safety, and Sanitation;
- 07.08.03** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Explosives and Blasting;
- 07.08.04** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Garages, Machine Shops, and Related Work Areas;
- 07.08.05** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Signals and Signal Systems;
- 07.08.06** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Truck Road Standards;
- 07.08.07** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Transportation of Employees;

- 07.08.08** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Falling and Bucking;
- 07.08.09** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Rigging, Lines, Blocks, and Shackles;
- 07.08.10** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Canopy and Canopy Construction for Logging Equipment;
- 07.08.11** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Skidding and Yarding;
- 07.08.12** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Road Transportation;
- 07.08.13** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Log Dumps, Landing, Log Handling Equipment, Loading and Unloading Booms, Log Ponds, Rafting, Towing Stiff Boomsticks and Foot Logs, Pond Boats and Tow Boats and Trailer Loading Hoists;
- 07.08.14** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Helicopter Logging;
- 07.08.15** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Commonly Used Logging Terms;
- 07.08.16** - Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Recommended Safety Program.

The Division seeks the participation of the affected industry, interested parties, and the public at large in this rulemaking process to ensure that due consideration is given to the varying views about the adoption of logging safety rules for application in Idaho.

CONTACT INFORMATION, WEB ADDRESS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, contact Steve Keys, Deputy Administrator – Operations, at (208) 332-8986. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the Division’s website at the following web address: <http://dbs.idaho.gov/>.

All written comments must be directed to the undersigned and must be delivered on or before December 11, 2015.

DATED this 26th Day of October 2015.

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