

**IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY**

**07.02.04 – RULES GOVERNING PLUMBING SAFETY INSPECTIONS**

**DOCKET NO. 07-0204-1701**

**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 and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Sections 54-2601, 54-2605 and 54-2606, Idaho Code.

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** Public meetings on the negotiated rulemaking will be held by the Idaho Plumbing Board, and are scheduled as follows:

<b>Thursday, May 18, 2017 9:30 a.m. (MDT)</b>	<b>Thursday, July 27, 2017 9:30 a.m. (MDT)</b>
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**Idaho Division of Building Safety  
1090 E. Watertower, Suite 150  
Meridian, ID 83642**

**via VIDEO-TELECONFERENCE  
(same dates and times as above)  
at the following Division of Building Safety locations:**

**Coeur d’Alene Regional Office  
1250 Ironwood Drive, Suite 220  
Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814**

**Pocatello Regional Office  
2055 Garrett Way, Bldg. 1, Suite 4  
Pocatello, ID 83201**

During the scheduled public meetings, additional negotiated rulemaking meetings may be established by the Board, if necessary. Adequate notice of the dates, locations, and manner of participation of any such additional meetings will be posted on the Division of Building Safety website at <http://dbs.idaho.gov/>.

The meeting sites will be accessible to persons with disabilities, if needed. Requests for accommodation must be made not alter than five (5) days prior to the meeting to the agency address below.

**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 Idaho Plumbing Board on designated forms available on the Division of Building Safety website at <http://dbs.idaho.gov/> and at the DBS offices in Meridian, Coeur d’Alene, and Pocatello, Idaho. Individuals may also attend the public meetings to be conducted on the above dates during which the Idaho Plumbing Board will allow oral comments and presentations to be made.

**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 54-2601, Idaho Code, the Idaho Plumbing Board has the authority through the promulgation of rules to ensure that all plumbing and plumbing systems in the state are installed substantially in accord with the Idaho State Plumbing Code. The Plumbing Board desires to remove the “Cross Connection Control Manual” published by the Pacific Northwest Section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) as the standard by which cross connection control and back flow devices shall be installed, and adopt a new standard with regard to such installations, which may include application of existing provisions within the 2015 Idaho State Plumbing Code related thereto. The Board seeks the participation of the affected industry, enforcement jurisdictions, water purveyors,

and the public at large in this rulemaking process to ensure that due consideration is given to the varying views about the adoption of installation standards for cross connection control and backflow prevention devices for application in Idaho.

**ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES:** For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the text of the proposed rule, if available, contact Ron Whitney, Deputy Administrator, Division of Building Safety at (208) 332-7150. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the DBS website at <http://dbs.idaho.gov/>.

Anyone may submit written comments regarding this negotiated rulemaking. All written comments, questions, recommendations, and ideas must be directed to the undersigned and must be submitted on the appropriate form to the Division of Building Safety or the Idaho Plumbing Board by May 11, 2017. Forms may be submitted via email to [neg.rules@dbs.idaho.gov](mailto:neg.rules@dbs.idaho.gov).

DATED this 6th day of March, 2017.

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