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**TITLE 785. OKLAHOMA WATER RESOURCES BOARD
CHAPTER 5. FEES**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1. General Provisions

785:5-1-6. Stream water permit application and administration fees [AMENDED]

785:5-1-10. Groundwater application and administration fees [AMENDED]

785:5-1-11. Well driller and pump installer licensing fees [AMENDED]

785:5-1-14. Stream Water and Groundwater petition fees [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The Oklahoma Water Resources Board proposes to amend the provisions of Chapter 5 of Title 785 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) as follows:

OAC 785:5-1-6 is proposed to be amended by updating the fee structure for long-term stream water right permits to reflect the increased cost of labor for stream water permit applications and administration fees.

OAC 785:5-1-10 is proposed to be amended by updating the fee structure for long-term groundwater right permits to reflect the increased cost of labor for groundwater permit applications and administration fees.

OAC 785:5-1-11 is proposed to be amended to show a cost associated with proposed changes in Chapter 35 with regards to an intent-to-drill system.

OAC 785:5-1-14 is proposed to be amended by updating the fees to reflect the increased cost of labor to amend stream water and groundwater permits and petitions for a change of ownership of existing water rights.

AUTHORITY:

Oklahoma Water Resources Board; 82 O.S., § 1085.2; 82 O.S. § 1085.4.

COMMENT PERIOD:

Persons wishing to present written comments may do so at 3800 North Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118 before 5:00 p.m. on January 18, 2022. Written comments may also be submitted via e-mail to Cris.Krittenbrink@owrb.ok.gov before 5:00 p.m. on January 18, 2022. Persons wishing to present oral comment to the OWRB may do so at the public hearing on January 18, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held January 18, 2022, during the monthly meeting of the Board which will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the OWRB's offices located at 3800 North Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73118.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

The OWRB requests that any business entities affected by these proposed rules provide the Board, in dollar amounts if possible, the increase in the level of direct costs such as fees, and

indirect costs such as reporting, recordkeeping, equipment, construction, labor, professional services, revenue loss, or other costs expected to be incurred by a particular entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Chrystal Krittenbrink at 3800 North Classen, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma before the close of the comment period.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed amendments may be reviewed by appointment at the OWRB's office location at 3800 North Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118, or may be obtained from the "Contact Person" identified below. The proposed amendments may also be viewed on the OWRB web site at <http://www.owrb.ok.gov>.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S., § 303(D), a Rule Impact Statement is available for review by appointment at the OWRB's office, 3800 North Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The Rule Impact Statement may also be viewed on the OWRB web site at <http://www.owrb.ok.gov>.

CONTACT PERSON:

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