



## N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources

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### **Deadline extended for public comments on oil and gas development rules**

**RALEIGH** – Officials with the state Mining and Energy Commission have extended to Sept. 30 the deadline for public input on proposed oil and gas development rules.

The deadline extension was approved to avoid confusion after Rule 15A NCAC 05H .2103, “Timing and Notice of Reclamation,” was omitted by mistake when the state Office of Administrative Hearings first published the proposed rules in the N.C. Register on July 15.

Written comments from the public will be accepted at four upcoming public hearings and may also be submitted at any time until 5 p.m. Sept. 30.

The public hearings are scheduled for:

- 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Aug. 20 at the McKimmon Center, 1101 Gorman St., Raleigh
- 5–9 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Wicker Center, 1801 Nash St., Sanford
- 5–9 p.m. Aug. 25 at Rockingham County High School, 180 High School Rd., Reidsville
- 5–9 p.m. Sept. 12 at the John W. Bardo Fine and Performing Arts Center, 199 Centennial Dr., Cullowhee

Hard copy written comments should be sent to:  
DENR-Division of Energy, Mineral, and Land Resources  
Attn: Oil and Gas Program  
1612 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1612

Written comments may also be submitted electronically through the state Division of Energy, Mineral and Land Resources’ website at: <http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mining-and-energy-commission/public-comment-meetings>.

The complete text of the proposed rules and proposed revisions to existing rules is available online at: [http://portal.ncdenr.org/c/document\\_library/get\\_file?uuid=812822fd-9e97-4359-8935-4f07e713f0b1&groupId=8198095](http://portal.ncdenr.org/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=812822fd-9e97-4359-8935-4f07e713f0b1&groupId=8198095).

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