

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**TITLE 18. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**CHAPTER 1. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY - ADMINISTRATION**

**PREAMBLE**

1. **Permission to proceed with this proposed rulemaking was granted under A.R.S. § 41-1039 by the governor on:**

May 15, 2026

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| <b>2. Article, Part, or Section Affected (as applicable)</b> | <b>Rulemaking Action</b> |
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Table 10

Amend

3. **Citations to the agency's statutory rulemaking authority to include the authorizing statute (general) and the implementing statute (specific):**

Authorizing statute: A.R.S. §§ 49-104(A)(1), (7), (8); 49-203(A)(7), (9), (10)

Implementing statute: A.R.S. § 49-211

4. **Citations to all related notices published in the *Register* that pertain to the current record of the proposed rule:**

Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening: 32 A.A.R. 1448, June 26, 2026, Issue Number: 26, File number: (R26-96)

5. **The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the rulemaking:**

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6. **An agency's justification and reason why a rule should be made, amended, repealed or renumbered, to include an explanation about the rulemaking:**

Introduction:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") was mandated by the Arizona Legislature, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 49-211, to "adopt all rules necessary to establish and implement a direct potable reuse of treated wastewater program, including rules establishing permitting standards and a permit application process". The statute, adopted from House Bill 2861, as enacted in the Second Regular Session on June 28, 2022, became effective on September 24, 2022. For purposes of this Notice and the proposed rule, the term "direct potable

reuse” is synonymous with “Advanced Water Purification” (or “AWP”), as the program is now called.

ADEQ, in consideration of Arizona’s water supply needs and the Legislative mandate, interpreted A.R.S. § 49-211 as a call to establish an AWP program that is both protective of human health and the environment, as well as imposing minimum burden upon the stakeholder community in achieving that goal. In March of 2025, those efforts culminated in the promulgation of the AWP program rules into the *Arizona Administrative Code* at Title 18, Chapters 1, 5, 9 and 14 (31 A.A.R. 1069). Since March of 2025, ADEQ has continued to meet with its AWP stakeholders who, in those meetings, have made recommendations on rule adjustments in an effort to make the program better and more implementable. This proposed rulemaking represents ADEQ’s review of those recommendations, the internal processing and studying on the program and its rules and the agency’s determination that the program can be improved upon in a limited number of rules while maintaining its original protective standard.

Associated Rulemakings:

This proposed rulemaking, collectively, includes four NPRMs, adding or amending rules in A.A.C. Title 18.

Environmental Quality:

- Chapter 1 (Department of Environmental Quality - Administration),
- Chapter 5 (Department of Environmental Quality - Environmental Reviews and Certification),
- Chapter 9 (Department of Environmental Quality - Water Pollution Control), and
- Chapter 14 (Department of Environmental Quality - Permit and Compliance Fees).

The proposed changes to Chapter 1 are specific to updating the Licensing Time-Frame requirements in Article 5, allowing for reduced review times in rule for Demonstration permits. The proposed changes to Chapter 5 are specific to amending the Operator Certification Committee rule in Article 1 in order to expand its scope to include the AWP operator certification program. The proposed amendments to Chapter 9 focus on updating the AWP program’s Operator Certification, Demonstration Permit, Enhanced Source Control, Tier 2 Chemical Control, Minimum Design Requirements and other miscellaneous rules in order to make the program more implementable, while maintaining its protective standard. The proposed changes to Chapter 14 are specific to updating the Certified Operator Fees in Article 3 to accommodate the AWP operator certification program.

Stakeholder Engagement:

ADEQ met with its AWP stakeholders regularly since the original AWP rules became effective in March of 2025 (31 A.A.R. 1069). ADEQ published draft rules on its website in June of 2026 and solicited the general public for comment in an effort to gather specific statements and opinion on the draft rules. ADEQ has already determined which comments from that function are appropriate for integration and values the continued input of the regulated community and the public, at-large.

Explanation of Rulemaking Amendments:

In the interim between the March 2025 rulemaking (which first put the AWP rules into effect) and this proposed rule, ADEQ has identified an opportunity to distinguish the Licensing Time-Frames (LTFs) for AWP full-scale facility permits and AWP demonstration permits (not full-scale). The reason to establish another set of LTFs for an AWP demonstration facility is to provide the service of permit application review in a mandated, shorter time frame, as opposed to the longer LTF periods applying to all AWP permit reviews in place previously. When first established, ADEQ conservatively established LTFs for full scale and demonstration permits using the same time frames for Administrative Completeness Review (ACR), Substantive Review (SR) and the Overall Time Frame (OTF). Since that time and through stakeholder recommendation and request, ADEQ has determined that shorter time frames for an AWP Demonstration Facility application are possible and warranted, especially since the content review of such a facility is simply less in quantity and, accordingly, the expected time-spent reviewing is also lessened. More specifically, this proposal would establish three new LTF categories under the AWP section of Table 10. (Water Permit Licensing Time-Frames (Business Days)) in Title 18, Chapter 1, Article 5 of the *Arizona Administrative Code* for Demonstration Permits, while leaving the full-scale categories the same. The proposed new LTF categories (or “rows” as they appear in Table 10) are proposed to be “Demonstration Permit”, “Demonstration Permit Renewal” and “Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment”. “Demonstration Permit” keeps the 35 Day ACR time frame, while establishing a 145 Day SR and a 180 Day OTF. 45 Days are added to both the SR and OTF for permit reviews where public hearings are conducted, as is standard practice. The proposed Demonstration Permit SR and OTF are reduced from the SR and OTF of the Full Scale Permit time frames by 42%. These numbers are consistent with an approximately 6 month review of similar facilities ADEQ has processed permit applications for in the past. “Demonstration Permit Renewal” keeps the 35 Day ACR time frame, while establishing a 109 Day SR and a 144 Day OTF. 45 Days are added to both the SR and OTF for permit reviews where public hearings are conducted. The proposed Demonstration Permit Renewal SR and OTF are reduced from the SR and OTF of the Full Scale Permit Renewal time frames by approximately 25%. This reduction in time frame length between the Demonstration Permit and the Demonstration Permit Renewal is proportional to that of the above-described Full Scale Permit time frames and Full Scale Permit Renewal time frames. “Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment” keeps the 35 Day ACR time frame, while establishing a 109 Day SR and a 144 Day OTF. 45 Days are added to both the SR and OTF for permit reviews where public hearings are conducted. The proposed Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment SR and OTF follow the tradition established in the full-scale permits of keeping the significant amendment time frames the same as the permit time frames. In this case, the demonstration permit time frames are proposed to be copied verbatim for the demonstration permit significant amendment time frames. “Minor Amendment Full Scale and Demonstration Permit” LTF category simply proposes to explicitly extend the ACR, SR and OTF time frames from the previous “Minor Amendment” category to both Full-Scale and Demonstration permits.

- 7. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and proposes either to rely on or not to rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:**

Not Applicable

- 8. A showing of good cause why the rulemaking is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rulemaking will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:**

Not Applicable

- 9. The preliminary summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:**

In accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1055 and A.A.C. R1-1-502(B)(12), the Department has evaluated the preliminary economic, small business, and consumer impacts of this proposed rulemaking. Establishing the Advanced Water Purification (AWP) program was mandated by the Arizona State Legislature under A.R.S. § 49-211. Participation in AWP is non-compulsory, serving as an opt-in regulatory framework for water provider agencies seeking to purify treated municipal wastewater for local supply augmentation. While the comprehensive AWP regulatory structure became effective in March 2025, ongoing stakeholder implementation discussions identified targeted regulatory refinements to enhance program efficiency without reducing public health safeguards. While the broader programmatic AWP rules reside primarily in 18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8, this specific rulemaking in 18 A.A.C. 1, Article 5 is narrowly focused on establishing tailored Licensing Time-Frames (LTFs) under Table 10 for AWP demonstration facilities. The preliminary economic assessment for the Chapter 1 amendments is summarized as follows:

- (1) Economic Impact on State Agencies and Regulated Water Providers. The primary entities affected by this rulemaking include the Department, state and local government agencies, public and private water provider agencies, and water utility customers. The proposed amendments to Title 18, Chapter 1, Article 5, Table 10 establish three new LTF categories under the AWP section for demonstration facility permits—"Demonstration Permit", "Demonstration Permit Renewal", and "Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment"—while clarifying the "Minor Amendment Full Scale and Demonstration Permit" category. Specifically:
- **Demonstration Permit:** Retains the 35-day Administrative Completeness Review (ACR) time frame while establishing a 145-day Substantive Review (SR) and a 180-day Overall Time Frame (OTF). This represents a 42% reduction in SR and OTF compared to full-scale facility permit time frames, aligning with ADEQ's historical six-month review duration for similar facilities.
  - **Demonstration Permit Renewal:** Retains the 35-day ACR, with a 109-day SR and a 144-day OTF, representing an approximate 25% reduction in SR and OTF compared to full-scale permit renewals.
  - **Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment:** Retains the 35-day ACR, with a 109-day SR and a 144-day OTF, duplicating the demonstration permit time frames in accordance with established agency practice.

- Minor Amendment Full Scale and Demonstration Permit: Explicitly extends the existing minor amendment time frames (ACR, SR, and OTF) to apply to both full-scale and demonstration permits.
- Public Hearing Adjustment: Standard practice adds 45 days to both the SR and OTF across all demonstration permit categories when public hearings are conducted.

Because demonstration facility applications entail a smaller technical review scope, establishing shorter, mandated LTFs reduces processing time and administrative overhead for applicants without compromising environmental safety. The proposed amendments impose no new regulatory fees, compliance reporting burdens, or capital expenditures on public or private utilities.

- (2) Impact on Small Businesses. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1035, the Department evaluated the potential impact of these proposed amendments on small businesses. Because participation in the AWP framework is entirely voluntary and the proposed changes to Table 10 pertain strictly to administrative licensing schedules, the rule imposes no direct regulatory burdens, compliance obligations, or licensing costs on small businesses. The rule makes no distinction between a water provider agency's duties to a small business versus any other consumer class. Consequently, the Department anticipates no significant or disproportionate adverse economic impact on small businesses.
- (3) Impact on Consumers and Water Customers. Indirect impacts on consumers and water utility customers are expected to be beneficial. By aligning licensing timeframes with the reduced content review requirements of demonstration facilities, the proposed amendments reduce holding costs, administrative hurdles, and operational delays for participating water provider agencies. These administrative efficiencies lower compliance expenses for utilities, ensuring that any municipal costs passed along to consumer utility rates are minimized while supporting long-term local water reliability across Arizona.

**10. The agency's contact person who can answer questions about the economic, small business and consumer impact statement:**

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**11. The time, place, and nature of the proceedings to make, amend, repeal, or renumber the rule, or if no proceeding is scheduled, where, when, and how persons may request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule:**

Comments about this proposed rulemaking will be accepted via email at the email address provided below. Written comments about this proposed rulemaking will also be accepted in person at the address provided below, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. except for state holidays. Mailed written comments shall be postmarked within 30 days of this published notice.

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An oral proceeding is scheduled on this proposed rulemaking.

Date: October 20, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM MST

Location: GoToWebinar hosted by Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Webinar Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5960573937949306462>

For those who wish to join by phone only:

Call: 415-655-0052

Access Code: 858-310-727

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Nature: Virtual

Public comment period ends: October 19, 2026

**12. All agencies shall list other matters prescribed by statute applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules. Additionally, an agency subject to Council review under A.R.S. §§ 41-1052 and 41-1055 shall respond to the following questions:**

There are no other matters prescribed by statute applicable specifically to ADEQ or this specific rulemaking.

**a. Whether the rule requires a permit, whether a general permit is used and if not, the reasons why a general permit is not used:**

Yes, this collective rulemaking proposes to amend the Advanced Water Purification regulatory program, which includes issuing individual permits, pursuant to A.R.S. § 49-211. While the product (advanced treated water or finished water) of an Advanced Water Purification regulatory program facility is substantially the same, the facilities, activities and practices regulated by the program are substantially different in nature due to the treated wastewater source, a multitude of viable technological process configurations, a swift pace of technological progress in the field and the custom nature of the regulated parties and their circumstances. Moreover, general permits are not “technically feasible” for the Advanced Water Purification regulatory program under A.R.S. § 41-1037(A)(3), and not used in the program.

**b. Whether a federal law is applicable to the subject of the rule, whether the rule is more stringent than federal law and if so, citation to the statutory authority to exceed the requirements of federal law:**

While the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) (40 USC § 300f et seq.) does regulate the treatment and delivery of drinking water from public water systems across the United States, it does not explicitly regulate the treatment of “treated wastewater” (see proposed rule R18-9-A801) as a source, which is the subject of this proposed rule. In fact, SDWA only contemplates surface and ground water as sources for public water systems. Some Advanced Water Purification facilities will be considered public water systems for the purposes of the SDWA and regulated in accordance with the SDWA in addition to the proposed AWP program.

**c. Whether a person submitted an analysis to the agency that compares the rule’s impact of the competitiveness of business in this state to the impact on business in other states:**

Not Applicable.

**13. A list of any incorporated by reference material as specified in A.R.S. § 41-1028 and its location in the rules:**

Not Applicable

**14. The full text of the rules follows:**

Rule text begins on the next page.

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**ARTICLE 5. LICENSING TIME-FRAMES**

Section

Table 10. Water Permit Licensing Time-frames (Business Days)

**ARTICLE 5. LICENSING TIME-FRAMES**

Table 10. Water Permit Licensing Time-Frames (Business Days)

| Permits                                                                                       | Authority                                                  | Administrative<br>Completeness<br>Review | Substantive<br>Review   | Overall<br>Time-Frame               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>AQUIFER PROTECTION PERMITS</b>                                                             |                                                            |                                          |                         |                                     |
| <b>Individual Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                               | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35<br>35                                 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                          |
| <b>Complex Individual Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                       | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35<br>35                                 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                          |
| <b>Individual Permit Significant Amendment</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing         | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35<br>35                                 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                          |
| <b>Complex Individual Permit Significant Amendment</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35<br>35                                 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                          |
| <b>Individual Permit Other Amendment</b>                                                      | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35                                       | 100                     | 135                                 |
| <b>Temporary Individual Permit</b>                                                            | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-242 18 A.A.C. 9,<br>Article 2      | 35                                       | 145                     | 180                                 |
| <b>Type 3 General Permit</b>                                                                  | A.R.S. § 49-245<br>A.A.C. R18-9-D301<br>through R18-9-D307 | 21                                       | 60                      | 81                                  |
| <b>4.01 General Permit</b><br>300 services or less<br>More than 300 services                  | A.R.S. § 49-245 A.A.C.<br>R18-9-E301                       | 42<br>42                                 | 53<br>94                | 95 <sup>2</sup><br>136 <sup>2</sup> |

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| <b>Standard Single</b><br>4.02, 4.03, 4.13, 4.14,<br>5.15, and 4.16 General<br>Permits                | A.R.S. § 49-245 A.A.C.<br>R18-9-E302,<br>R18-9-E303,<br>R18-9-E313,<br>R18-9-E314 | 42       | 31                      | 73 <sup>2</sup>                            |
| <b>4.23 General Permit</b>                                                                            | A.R.S. § 49-245 A.A.C.<br>R18-9-E323                                              | 42       | 94                      | 136 <sup>2</sup>                           |
| <b>Standard Combined</b><br>Two or three Type 4<br>General Permits                                    | A.R.S. § 49-245<br>A.A.C. R18-9-E302<br>through R18-9-E323                        | 42       | 53                      | 95 <sup>2</sup>                            |
| <b>Complex Combined</b><br>Four or more Type 4<br>General Permits                                     | A.R.S. § 49-245<br>A.A.C. R18-9-E302<br>through R18-9-E323                        | 42       | 94                      | 136 <sup>2</sup>                           |
| <b>SUBDIVISION APPROVALS</b>                                                                          |                                                                                   |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Subdivision</b><br>Individual facilities                                                           | A.R.S. § 49-104(B)(11)<br>A.A.C. R18-5-408                                        | 21       | 46                      | 67                                         |
| <b>Subdivision</b><br>Community facilities                                                            | A.R.S. § 49-104(B)(11)<br>A.A.C. R18-5-403                                        | 21       | 37                      | 58                                         |
| <b>RECLAIMED WATER PERMITS</b>                                                                        |                                                                                   |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Individual Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                                       | A.R.S. § 49-203<br>A.A.C. R18-9-702<br>through R18-9-707                          | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                                 |
| <b>Complex Individual Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                               | A.R.S. § 49-203<br>A.A.C. R18-9-702<br>through A.A.C.<br>R18-9-707                | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                                 |
| <b>Type 3 General Permit</b>                                                                          | A.R.S. § 49-203 A.A.C.<br>R18-9-717, R18-9-718,<br>R18-9-719                      | 21       | 60                      | 81                                         |
| <b>ARIZONA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (AZPDES) PERMITS</b>                                |                                                                                   |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Individual Permit</b><br><b>Major Facility</b> <sup>5</sup><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing | A.R.S. § 49-255.01<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9,<br>Part B                           | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284 <sup>3, 4</sup><br>329 <sup>3, 4</sup> |
| <b>Individual Permit</b><br><b>Minor Facility</b> <sup>6</sup><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing | A.R.S. § 49-255.01<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9,<br>Part B                           | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221 <sup>3, 4</sup><br>266 <sup>3, 4</sup> |

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| <b>Individual Permit<br/>Stormwater /<br/>Construction Activities</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing | A.R.S. § 49-255.01<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9,<br>Part B                                  | 35<br>35 | 126<br>171 <sup>1</sup> | 161<br>206 <sup>3, 4</sup>                 |
| <b>Individual Permit<br/>Major Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                       | A.R.S. § 49-255.01<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 9,<br>Part B                                  | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221 <sup>3, 4</sup><br>266 <sup>3, 4</sup> |
| <b>LAND APPLICATION OF BIOSOLIDS REGISTRATIONS</b>                                                           |                                                                                          |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Biosolids Applicator<br/>Registration Request<br/>Acknowledgment</b>                                      | A.R.S. § 49-255.03<br>A.A.C. R18-9-1004                                                  | 15       | 0                       | 15                                         |
| <b>UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMITS</b>                                                                 |                                                                                          |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Area Permit and<br/>Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                               | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C624                                      | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                                 |
| <b>Class I Well Permit<br/>and Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                       | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C616<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 6,<br>Part E | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                                 |
| <b>Class II Well Permit<br/>and Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                      | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C616<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 6,<br>Part F | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                                 |
| <b>Class III Well Permit<br/>and Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                     | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C616<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 6,<br>Part G | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                                 |
| <b>Class V Well<br/>Individual Permit and<br/>Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing        | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C616<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 6,<br>Part I | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                                 |
| <b>Class VI Well Permit<br/>and Modification</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                      | A.R.S. §§ 49-203,<br>49-257.01<br>A.A.C. R18-9-C616<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 6,<br>Part J | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                                 |
| <b>ADVANCED WATER PURIFICATION PERMITS</b>                                                                   |                                                                                          |          |                         |                                            |
| <b>Full-Scale Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                                              | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8                                               | 35<br>35 | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup> | 284<br>329                                 |
| <b>Full-Scale Permit<br/>Renewal</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                                  | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8                                               | 35<br>35 | 186<br>231 <sup>1</sup> | 221<br>266                                 |

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| <b>Demonstration Permit</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing                       | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8               | 35<br>35               | <del>249</del> <u>145</u><br><del>294</del> <u>195</u> <sup>1</sup> | <del>284</del> <u>180</u><br><del>329</del> <u>220</u> |
| <b>Full-Scale Permit Significant Amendment</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing    | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8               | 35<br>35               | 249<br>294 <sup>1</sup>                                             | 284<br>329                                             |
| <b>Demonstration Permit Renewal</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing               | <u>A.R.S. §§ 49-211</u><br><u>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8</u> | <u>35</u><br><u>35</u> | <u>109</u><br><u>154</u> <sup>1</sup>                               | <u>144</u><br><u>189</u>                               |
| <b>Demonstration Permit Significant Amendment</b><br>No public hearing<br>Public hearing | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8               | 35<br>35               | <del>186</del> <u>109</u><br><del>231</del> <u>154</u> <sup>1</sup> | <del>221</del> <u>144</u><br><del>266</del> <u>189</u> |
| <b>Minor Amendment - Full-Scale and Demonstration Permit</b>                             | A.R.S. §§ 49-211<br>18 A.A.C. 9, Article 8               | 35                     | 100                                                                 | 135                                                    |

<sup>1</sup>A request for a public hearing allows the Department 60 days to publish the notice of public hearing and for the official comment period. Forty-five business days are added to the substantive review time-frame.

<sup>2</sup>Each request for an alternative design, installation, or operational feature under R18-9-A312(G) to a Type 4 General Permit adds eight business days to the substantive review time-frame.

<sup>3</sup>EPA reserves the right, under 40 CFR 123.44, to take 90 days to supply specific grounds for objection to a draft or proposed permit when a general objection is filed within the review period. The first 30 days run concurrently with the Department's official comment period. Forty-five business days will be added to the substantive review time-frame to allow for the EPA review.

<sup>4</sup>If a request for a variance is submitted to the Department, 40 CFR 124.62 requires that specific variances are subject to review by EPA. Under 40 CFR 123.44, EPA reserves the right to take 90-days to approve or deny the variance. Sixty-four business days will be added to the substantive review time-frame to allow for the EPA review.

<sup>5</sup>"Major facility" means any NPDES "facility or activity" classified as such by the EPA in conjunction with the Director.

<sup>6</sup>"Minor facility" means any facility that is not classified as a major facility.