

IDAPA 24.05.01
NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING—WRITTEN SUMMARY

Pursuant to Idaho Code section 67-5220(3)(f), the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses (DOPL) provides the following written summary of unresolved issues, key information considered, and conclusions reached during and as a result of the negotiated rulemaking on June 1, 2026, pertaining to IDAPA 24.05.01—Rules of The Board of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals, Docket No. 24-0501-2601.

The contemplated rule changes would seek to address the Board’s cash balance to align with Idaho Code 67 2608 by increasing the licensing fees administered by the Board and to address other minor changes.

Procedural Overview:

DOPL submitted all necessary forms to publish a Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules—Negotiated Rulemaking in the July Administrative Bulletin.

The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules—Negotiated Rulemaking was published in the [July 1, 2026 Administrative Bulletin](#). The Notice of Intent to Promulgate Rules contained details to participate in a negotiated rulemaking public meeting set for July 17, 2026, and explained how written comments could be submitted.

July 17, 2026, Negotiated Rulemaking Meeting:

The negotiated rulemaking meeting was attended by the following persons:

- **Idaho Rural Water Association:** Shelley Roberts, Courtne Dawson
- **Office of the Governor:** Niko Lostra
- **Members of the Public:** John N, Laurelei Bakken, Jeff Fitzloff, Ashley Vancas

The table below summarizes the discussion at the July 17, 2026, negotiated rulemaking meeting.

Under the “Response” column, “Response” indicates the answer provided by DOPL staff to the member of the public, when responding to questions. Staff did not respond to comments from members of the public but will communicate all comments to the Board of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals.

Stakeholder	IDAPA Rules	Comments/Questions	Staff Response
Jeff Fitzloff, Member of the public	24.05.01	Wants the Board to increase by 200%.	
Shelly Roberts, IRWA	24.05.01	Worried about increasing too drastically. Recommend 50%. Worried about state law requiring positive cash balances. Wants a phased approach. Upset about the creation of DOPL and the costs that the Boards entailed.	We will communicate to the Board
Ashley Vancas, Public Member	24.05.01	Worried about water quality	Told that is outside the scope of the rulemaking

Next Steps:

The Board of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals will vote to adopt Proposed Rules at their August 5, 2026, Board meeting.

Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the DOPL website via the following link: <https://dopl.idaho.gov/wwp/wwp-statutes-rules-and-guidance/>

For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, please contact **Ryan Bernard, Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Chief**, at (775) 870-7926.