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Stakeholder Meetings to Seek Input on Draft Nutrient Reduction Strategy

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) Division of Water Quality will hold two public stakeholder meetings to seek input on the recently completed draft North Dakota Nutrient Reduction Strategy for Surface Waters. The meetings will be held May 1, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room 203 of the Fargodome, Fargo, ND; and May 3, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Baymont Inn & Suites, Mandan, ND.

"This state nutrient reduction strategy has been developed as a blueprint for local, state, federal agencies, cities, counties and the public to address the environmental, human health and water quality issues caused by excessive nutrients in our waters," said Dave Glatt, Chief of the NDDoH Environmental Health Section.

Details of the draft strategy will be presented at the public stakeholder meetings. The meetings also will provide a forum for the public to offer their ideas about ways to reduce the delivery of nitrogen and phosphorus to the state's rivers, streams, lakes and wetlands.

For more information on the nutrient reduction strategy or the public stakeholder meetings, visit https://deq.nd.gov/WQ/3_Watershed_Mgmt/4_Nutrient_Reduction/NutRed.aspx, or contact Karl Rockeman or Mike Ell, Division of Water Quality, at 701.328.5210.

Comments on the strategy will be accepted through June 1, 2018. They may be submitted by mail to the NDDoH Division of Water Quality, 918 East Divide Ave, Suite 400, Bismarck, ND 58102 or by emailing Mike Ell at mell@nd.gov.

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