

SOIL CONSERVATION AND WATER QUALITY DIVISION[27]

Regulatory Analysis

Notice of Intended Action to be published: 27—Chapter 7
“Interest on Retained Funds”

Iowa Code section(s) or chapter(s) authorizing rulemaking: 161A
State or federal law(s) implemented by the rulemaking: Iowa Code section 563.12

Public Hearing

A public hearing at which persons may present their views orally or in writing will be held as follows:

July 14, 2026
9 to 10 a.m.

Borlaug Conference Room
Hoover State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written comments concerning this Regulatory Analysis, which must be received by the Soil Conservation and Water Quality Division no later than 4:30 p.m. on the date of the public hearing. Comments should be directed to:

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Purpose and Summary

Chapter 7 establishes procedures for interest on retained funds. This chapter is proposed to be rescinded. The Division does not retain funds as intended by this chapter; therefore, the chapter has not been used.

Analysis of Impact

1. **Persons affected by the proposed rulemaking:**
 - **Classes of persons that will bear the costs of the proposed rulemaking:**
No costs are incurred by the public to comply with this proposed rulemaking.
 - **Classes of persons that will benefit from the proposed rulemaking:**
This proposed rulemaking will not provide an additional benefit to any persons. The Division is proposing to rescind this chapter.
2. **Impact of the proposed rulemaking, economic or otherwise, including the nature and amount of all the different kinds of costs that would be incurred:**
 - **Quantitative description of impact:**
There will be no significant impact associated with this proposed rulemaking.
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3. **Costs to the State:**
 - **Implementation and enforcement costs borne by the agency or any other agency:**

Implementation costs associated with implementation of procurement rules for professional services are limited to a minor percentage of administrative costs associated with staff time to disseminate procurement materials, evaluate proposals, reward contracts and develop contract documents.

- **Anticipated effect on State revenues:**

There will be no effect on State revenues in association with this proposed rulemaking.

4. **Comparison of the costs and benefits of the proposed rulemaking to the costs and benefits of inaction:**

Not applicable.

5. **Determination whether less costly methods or less intrusive methods exist for achieving the purpose of the proposed rulemaking:**

Not applicable.

6. **Alternative methods considered by the agency:**

- **Description of any alternative methods that were seriously considered by the agency:**

Not applicable.

- **Reasons why alternative methods were rejected in favor of the proposed rulemaking:**

This chapter is proposed to be rescinded. No alternatives were explored.

Small Business Impact

If the rulemaking will have a substantial impact on small business, include a discussion of whether it would be feasible and practicable to do any of the following to reduce the impact of the rulemaking on small business:

- Establish less stringent compliance or reporting requirements in the rulemaking for small business.

- Establish less stringent schedules or deadlines in the rulemaking for compliance or reporting requirements for small business.

- Consolidate or simplify the rulemaking's compliance or reporting requirements for small business.

- Establish performance standards to replace design or operational standards in the rulemaking for small business.

- Exempt small business from any or all requirements of the rulemaking.

If legal and feasible, how does the rulemaking use a method discussed above to reduce the substantial impact on small business?

The rescission of this chapter will have no impact on small business.

Text of Proposed Rulemaking

ITEM 1. Rescind and reserve **27—Chapter 7.**