

**REGULATIONS  
AND  
INSTRUCTIONS  
WYOMING STATE ENGINEER,  
WYOMING STATE BOARD OF CONTROL**

**Draft Statement of Principal Reasons  
for Adoption of Amendments to Chapter 1 – Fee Schedule, Wyoming State Engineer’s  
Office and Wyoming State Board of Control, and to Part IV, Regulations and Instructions,  
State Board of Control**

The State Board of Control (Board), pursuant to the rulemaking authority vested in the Board under WYO. STAT. ANN § 41-4-211, hereby amends Chapter 1, Fee Schedule, Wyoming State Engineer’s Office and Wyoming State Board of Control and Part IV, Regulations and Instructions, to correct minor spelling, formatting and grammatical errors in Chapter V (Petition Information) and to further provide additional guidance in the rules on when an Authorization to Detach Water Rights (ADWR) application can be withdrawn, further clarifying the meaning of the word “generally” in Chapter V, Section 6d(1)(b), further clarifying the use of notarized statements, and finally to interpret the rules and forms referenced in the rules to be consistent with Wyoming statutes that now refer to notarial officers, rather than notary publics. Revisions to Appendix A to the Board of Control’s rules have been made to incorporate the notarial officer language. The sample petitions and forms which comprise Appendix A are not in themselves “regulations” but are referenced in the Board rules and are included with the Board rule package for informational purposes and to aid the public in application of the rules. The revisions will help the Board meet its responsibilities and assist the public. The Board has determined that the revisions are in keeping with duties imposed pursuant to WYO. STAT. ANN. § 41-4-211 and the Governor’s instructions.

The Board did not make any changes to existing Part IV, Chapter I (Introduction to Wyoming Water Administration, Chapter II (Organization and Authority), Chapter III (General Procedures), Chapter IV (Adjudication of Proofs), Chapter VI (Contested Case Procedure) or Chapter VII (Appeals and District Court Certification).

Conclusion: The State Engineer and State Board of Control have determined that adoption of these rules is necessary to update and clarify Chapter I – Fee Schedule, Wyoming State Engineer’s Office and Wyoming State Board of Control and Part IV, Regulations and Instructions of the State Board of Control and to carry out the legal responsibilities of the State Engineer and the Board of Control.