

# Administrative Rule Analysis



## SEWERAGE SYSTEMS

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**Department: Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy**  
**Agency: Water Resources Division**  
**Enabling Statute: Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.101 et seq.**

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## BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES

The Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) regulates Michigan's water resources, which includes wastewater and sewage treatment operations. These rules are intended to upgrade treatment facility standards as well as the education and training of system operators. These rules also seek to outline expectations for privately-owned, publicly-used wastewater treatment systems' construction permit applications and processes.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES

These rules may increase costs for EGLE by imposing new regulatory mandates regarding operator certification and standards verification. Similarly, local governments that own or operate treatment facilities or employ facility operators would be required to meet new facility and personnel training standards which may result in increased costs. The rules do not provide a funding source to address these potential new or increased costs. Wastewater facility operator training and certification fees are defined in MCL 324.3110 and scheduled to sunset on October 1, 2025. These fees generate approximately \$600,000 in annual revenue and primarily support appropriations for water quality programs as well as drinking water and environmental health.

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