

AZ SWANA Legislative Update, July 14, 2017

Arizona Legislature/ADEQ

No update.

EPA Stay of MSWLF NSPS and EG rules

Stay will remain in effect through 8/29/2017. EPA to publish a notice of proposed rulemaking to provide opportunity to comment on the issues identified in the letter.

EPA Definition of Waters of the US

EPA proposed rule to implement Executive Order from 2/28/17 to review Waters of the US Rule. First step was to rescind the 2015 definition currently being litigated. Next step will be to propose a new rule based on the concurring opinion of Justice Scalia in the 2006 Rapanos decision, which indicated that the definition should only apply to continuously flowing waters or waters that have relative permanence.

FMCSA Rulemaking

Proposed Rule (June 9) will allow state driver licensing agencies to waive the CDL knowledge test for active duty military personnel and qualified veterans with military CDLs.

Proposed rule (June 6) that will allow states to issue a CDL learner's permit that would be valid for up to one year, instead of the current six-month limitation.

EPA Budget

SWANA Advocacy will be lobbying congress on Waste Minimization and Recycling Program, an \$8.8 million program supporting municipal waste reduction and recycling projects, which was eliminated in President Trump's budget.

Chinese Scrap Metal Ban

SWANA is looking into a Chinese crackdown on scrap metal recyclers and the impact to the scrap metal market.

US Conference of Mayors Waste to Energy Plan

New resolution supporting a 100% shift to renewable energy excludes waste to energy from the definition of RE.