

# Idaho Technical Guidance Committee

## Meeting Agenda

Thursday, March 5, 2026

9:30 a.m. MST

### Conference Room E

Department of Environmental Quality  
1410 N Hilton St., Boise, ID

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Call to Order and Roll Call

- Introduction of committee members, guests, and attendees

Public Comment Period – The Committee will allow up to 30 minutes for public comments on topics relevant to the Committee.

#### *Action Item – Review, Amend, or Approve*

- December 4, 2025 Draft TGC Meeting Minutes (**Appendix A**)
- Review and vote on final approval.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### *Action Item – Review, Amend, or Approve*

TGM Section 4.5.3.1 Drip Distribution System - Basic Design Requirements (**Appendix B**)

- Add language specifying that drip distribution systems are afforded the same square footage reductions and vertical setback reductions as a PWTP or ETPS, per TGM Table 4-19 and Table 4-20.
- No public comments received.
- Vote on final approval.

#### *Action Item – Review, Amend, or Approve*

TGM Figure 2-8 Cutoff trench plan view (**Appendix C**)

- Revise Figure 2-8 to delete the 50-foot minimum separation distance depicted in the figure. The minimum separation distance from the drainfield to a cutoff trench is determined by Table 2-12 and varies from 9.5 feet to 120 feet.
- Revisit proposed edits.
- Vote on action

#### *Action Item – Review, Amend, or Approve*

Continue discussion from August 28, 2025, TGC meeting - PlanetCare Hybrid Coir Biofilter, presented by Andy (**Appendix D**)

- Review additional technical information from PlanetCare - design manual, sizing approach, proprietary components, media exchange and disposal requirements, and commercial use considerations.

- Determine appropriate classification and approval pathway - ETPS vs. proprietary system, service provider requirements, and compliance with Idaho design and discharge standards.
- Vote on action.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

*Note: There are no new products for TGC review for this meeting.*

### ***Action Item – Review, Amend, or Approve***

2025 IDAPA 58.01.03 Updates – Tank Sizing and Piping Impacts

Discuss pre- vs. post-July 2025 rule changes affecting:

- 58.01.03.007.08.b Minimum Tank Capacities: average vs. maximum daily flow
- 58.01.03.007.20 Schedule 40 or stronger pipe and conflicts with commonly used ASTM 3034 pipe

## **Discussion Items**

On-site Wastewater Program Update

- Hiring process update to fill Senior Onsite Wastewater Analyst 4 position
- Idaho by the Numbers (septic installer licenses, pumper licenses).
- OSCAR System Performance, Installation Challenges, and Design Considerations in Idaho

Action Item – Approve

Schedule Next Meeting (proposed: Thursday, June 11, 2026)

Action Item – Approve

Adjourn Meeting

*\*Begin time will be observed. Time spent discussing each agenda item may vary.*

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