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Rule 1501-2-11 Public participation.

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(A) Upon accepting a completed application for a diversion permit required by section 1521.22 of the Revised Code, the chief shall notify local officials in the counties from which the water is proposed to be exported and to which the water is proposed to be imported, including but not limited to county commissioners, township trustees, and mayors or managers of municipalities, that the application has been received and accepted as complete. Upon determining that other counties will also be impacted by the proposed diversion, the chief shall notify local officials in these counties as well. The chief shall provide additional information regarding the proposed diversion to local officials upon request.

(B) Upon accepting a completed application for a diversion permit required by section 1521.22 of the Revised Code, the chief shall make a reasonable effort, through the issuance of news releases or other appropriate means determined by the chief, to notify the general public throughout the state of Ohio that the application has been received and accepted as complete. The chief shall provide additional information regarding the proposed diversion to members of the general public upon request.

(C) Upon determining that adequate interest exists among local officials and members of the general public, the chief shall conduct a public meeting within sixty days from the time notification is made pursuant to paragraph (A) of this rule, in order to further explain the proposal and to solicit comments.

(D) The chief shall accept written comments regarding the proposed diversion from local officials and the general public for sixty days from the time notification is made pursuant to paragraph (A) of this rule.