

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

AGENCY: Coastal Resources Management Council

RULE IDENTIFIER: 650-RICR-10-00-1

RULE TITLE: Management Procedures

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: The CRMC has amended its Management Procedures to delete some filing fees, add specifically required information for petitions for regulatory change, and increase the number of days for the filing of new information prior to a scheduled hearing.

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: No testimony was offered at the public hearing held on May 11, 2021, but two public comments in support of the proposed regulations were submitted during the 30-day public comment period (April 26 through May 26, 2021).

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE: Amendments were adopted as presented in the public notice.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: The proposed amendments will delete currently required filing fees for declaratory rulings and petitions for regulation change. In addition, the proposed amendments will add specificity to required filings in cases where expert and lay testimony will be presented and increase the timing of their filing from five (5) to seven (7) days with the Council prior to a hearing to allow the Council, Council staff and parties sufficient time to review any new any new evidence, reports, or data on which testimony will be based.

The proposed regulations do not impose any new requirements on regulated entities including any small businesses or any city or town; therefore, there is no adverse economic impact. In consideration of the alternatives the CRMC has determined that there is no alternative approach among the alternatives considered that would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons as another regulation based on available information. In addition, there are no other state regulations which are overlapped or duplicated by the proposed regulation.

The CRMC has determined that the benefits of the proposed rule justify the costs of the proposed rule, and that the proposed rule will achieve the objectives of the authorizing statute in a more cost-effective manner and with greater net benefits than other regulatory alternatives.