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The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the publication of Notices of Rulemaking Docket Opening whenever an agency opens a rulemaking docket to consider rulemaking. Under the APA effective January 1, 1995, agencies must submit a Notice of Rulemaking Docket Opening before beginning the formal rulemaking process.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

1. **Title and its heading:** 18, Environmental Quality
Chapter and its heading: 10, Department of Environmental Quality - Wastewater Management Authority
Article and its heading: 1, Financing Wastewater Facilities and Nonpoint Source Discharge Programs
Section number: R18-10-101
2. **Subject matter of the proposed rules:**

This rulemaking is to conform Article 1 to the legislation passed in the 43rd Regular Session. The Wastewater Facility Board is now called the Wastewater Infrastructure Finance Authority, and the Board administers 2 revolving funds. One fund is for wastewater facilities and nonpoint source discharge programs, and the other fund is for public water systems.
3. **A citation to all published notices relating to the proceeding:**

None published.
4. **Name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rule:**

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5. **The time during which written submissions may be made and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**

The Board plans to propose an amended rule by June and hold public hearings in June or July (depending upon the actual date the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is submitted to the Secretary of State).
6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action in the proceeding:**

Stakeholder meetings began during the legislative session to ensure a timely rulemaking. The benefit of the stakeholder meetings is that Arizona will have \$19 million available to distribute (based upon the rule amendments) 3rd quarter of 1997.