

## COUNTY NOTICES PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 49-112

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### NOTICE OF RULEMAKING DOCKET OPENING

#### MARICOPA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

1. **Title and its heading:** Maricopa County Environmental Health Codes  
**Regulation and its heading:** Chapter VI, Bathing Places - Public and Semi-Public Swimming Pools  
**Code and its heading:** Chapter VI, Bathing Places  
**Section number(s):** Chapter VI, All Sections
  
  2. **The subject matter of the proposed Code(s):**  

Maricopa County is proposing to revise Chapter VI Bathing Places - Public and Semipublic Swimming Pools (All Sections and Appendices). The proposed code is subsequent changes to revisions in the Arizona Administrative Code R18-5-200. The Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) and Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) regulate public and semipublic swimming pools. To minimize confusion and expedite the pool operating permit issuance process, the Maricopa County is proposing to combine the ADEQ and ADHS revisions into one regulation, The Maricopa County Health Code. This proposal addresses the retroactive requirements for dual main drain, anti vortex covers, diving boards and vacuum lines. This proposal requires contractors or owners to submit plans whenever there are changes that affect the pool shape, depth, water circulation, pool enclosure, resurfacing (greater than 10%) of the pool interior or deck. Other changes that will require plans are the addition of water feature or planter, changing the disinfection system, pump, filter or installing diving equipment. Permit holders will be required to post safety instructions on the signage in the pool area and provide depth markers. There will also be additional requirements for seat designs under water, dual bottom drains and water chemistry. The proposed codes will be necessary to prevent a significant threat to public health and safety. These proposed regulations are also deemed to be technically and economically feasible for pool contractors and pools owners.
  
  3. **A citation to all published notices relating to this proceeding:**  

None to date
  
  4. **The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the proposed code(s):**
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5. **The time during which the agency will accept written comments and the time and place where oral comments may be made:**  

To be announced in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
  
  6. **A timetable for agency decisions or other action on the proceeding, if known:**  

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