

WELL STIMULATION TREATMENT PERMITTING PHASE OUT

TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION

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Amend Division 2, Chapter 4, Subchapter 2, Article 4, section 1780, title 14, California Code of Regulations, to read as follows:

1780. Purpose, Scope, ~~and~~ Applicability, and Permitting Restriction.

(a) The purpose of this article is to set forth regulations governing well stimulation treatments, as defined in Section 1761 (a)(1), for wells located both onshore and offshore.

(b) Well stimulation treatments are not subsurface injection or disposal projects and are not subject to Sections 1724.6 through 1724.10 or Sections 1748 through 1748.3. This article does not apply to underground injection projects. If well stimulation treatment is done on a well that is part of an underground injection project, then regulations regarding well stimulation treatment apply to the well stimulation treatment and regulations regarding underground injection projects apply to the underground injection project operations.

(c) For purposes of this article, a well stimulation treatment commences when well stimulation fluid is pumped into the well, and ends when the well stimulation treatment equipment is disconnected from the well.

(d) The Division, including the supervisor and district deputies, will not approve applications for permits to conduct well stimulation treatments.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 3013 and 3160, Public Resources Code.

Reference: Sections 3106, 3011, and 3160, Public Resources Code.