Public Notice

Water Quality and Health Advisory Panel Meeting

The Division of Water Quality, in partnership with the Department of Health, is organizing a new Water Quality Health Advisory Panel. The panel's objective will be to coordinate and communicate on water quality issues associated with specific public health concerns. Initially the group will focus on *E. coli*, mercury, and harmful algal blooms (HABs), but we expect that other issues may arise in the future which would be appropriate for the panel to address.

The formation of the panel will require dissolution and consolidation of the existing Statewide Mercury Workgroup, *E. coli* workgroup, and the ad hoc HABs workgroup. Combining these groups into a single advisory panel will be more efficient by eliminating overlap among members of the workgroups. Also, it will help ensure that solutions to these interrelated problems are more consistent.

The first meeting for the new Water Quality and Health Advisory Panel will be:

July 29, 2015 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm DEQ Building, 195 North 1950 West Red Rocks Room, 3rd Floor

A short description of the goals, objectives, and make-up of the group and the agenda for the first meeting is posted along with this notice.