OKLAHOMA CONSERVATION COMMISSION

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to 75 O.S. §§ 253(b) & 303(d)

For New & Amended Permanent Rules
OAC 155: Chapter 10. Conservation Districts

Proposed for Adoption in 2009

A. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULES.

These rules are necessary to implement the provisions of the Conservation District Act. The purpose of the proposed rules is to provide the structure for Conservation Districts and to outline their daily operations.

B. A DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSES OF PERSONS WHO MOST LIKELY WILL BE AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED RULES, INCLUDING CLASSES THAT WILL BEAR THE COSTS OF THE PROPOSED RULES, AND ANY INFORMATION ON COST IMPACTS RECEIVED BY THE AGENCY FROM ANY PRIVATE OR PUBLIC ENTITIES.

There should be no adverse affect from the proposed rules on any person nor on any classes of persons.

<u>C.</u> <u>A DESCRIPTION OF THE CLASSES OF PERSONS WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM THE PROPOSED RULES.</u>

The persons benefitting from the proposed rules would be the general public, conservation district directors and conservation district employees as these rules outline the daily operations of Conservation Districts.

D. A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROBABLE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED RULES UPON AFFECTED CLASSES OF PERSONS OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, INCLUDING A LISTING OF ALL FEE CHANGES AND, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, A SEPARATE JUSTIFICATION FOR EACH FEE CHANGE.

There should be no economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions.

E. THE PROBABLE COSTS AND BENEFITS TO THE AGENCY AND TO ANY OTHER AGENCY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED RULES, THE SOURCE OF REVENUE TO BE USED FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED RULES, AND ANY ANTICIPATED EFFECT ON STATE REVENUES, INCLUDING A PROJECTED NET LOSS OR GAIN IN STATE REVENUES IF IT CAN BE PROJECTED BY THE AGENCY.

No extraordinary costs to the Conservation Commission or Conservation Districts are anticipated. It is anticipated that the proposed amendments will have no effect on state

revenues.

F. A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED RULES WILL HAVE AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ON ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OR REQUIRE THEIR COOPERATION IN IMPLEMENTING OR ENFORCING THE RULES.

There should be no significant economic impact on any political subdivision.

G. A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED RULES MAY HAVE AN ADVERSE ECONOMIC EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESS AS PROVIDED BY THE OKLAHOMA SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT.

The agency knows of no adverse effects the rule will have on small business.

H. AN EXPLANATION OF THE MEASURES THE AGENCY HAS TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS AND A DETERMINATION OF WHETHER THERE ARE LESS COSTLY OR NONREGULATORY METHODS OR LESS INTRUSIVE METHODS FOR ACHIEVING THE PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED RULES.

There are no measures to be taken to minimize compliance costs.

I. A DETERMINATION OF THE EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED RULES ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT AND, IF THE PROPOSED RULES ARE DESIGNED TO REDUCE SIGNIFICANT RISKS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT, AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE RISK AND TO WHAT EXTENT THE PROPOSED RULES WILL REDUCE THE RISK.

The proposed rule will not have an effect on the public health, safety and environment.

J. A DETERMINATION OF ANY DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT IF THE PROPOSED RULES ARE NOT IMPLEMENTED.

The agency is not aware of any detrimental effect the proposed rules will have on public health, safety, and environment.

K. THE DATE THE RULE IMPACT STATEMENT WAS PREPARED AND, IF MODIFIED, THE DATE MODIFIED:

December 15, 2008.