

**From:** [Ron Wilson](#)  
**To:** [Tyler Fortunati](#)  
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**Subject:** RE: Rule Comments  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 30, 2025 1:07:11 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[FW Pressure Reducing Valves.msg](#)  
[Re EGID Markup - 80 PSI Rule.msg](#)

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Hi Tyler,

Below are my comments and rule markup, we have determined our customer not only desire higher pressure but require it to sustain their landscape. From my vast research here at the district over the past 19 years, PRV's in the meter vault on the distribution side tend to fade year over year generating reoccurring service calls requiring constant pressure (increase) adjustments, not because of any complaints in the dwelling, all due to fading unstainable pressures in the landscape. Here at EGID, PRV's were placed in the meter vault prior to 2013, then relocated to the dwelling, inspected by the State Plumbing Inspector (attached email) along with a backflow device and a customer valve as a condition of service, and yes, the homeowner is notified of the assembly. The service line leading to the dwelling is distribution pressure 80-95 psi.

Note-

- This has been documented in multiple sanitary survey generating no comments from the department.
- HLID agrees with the above. And we currently have one subdivision that is required to install PRVs at the first place of connection inside the dwellings.

#### **EGID MARKUP**

v. Any newly constructed PWS's or portions of existing systems that are materially modified after July 1, 2024, must Any public water system must keep static pressure within the distribution system below one hundred (100) psi and should ordinarily keep static pressure within the distribution system below eighty (80) psi. Pressures above ~~one hundred (100) psi~~ **80 psi** must be controlled by pressure reducing valve stations installed in the distribution main, **meter vault or on the dwelling, at the public water system discretion with department concurrence.** In areas where failure of installed pressure reducing valve stations result in extremely high pressure, pressure relief valves may be required. ~~The Department may approve the use of pressure-reducing devices at individual service connections on a case-by-case basis, if it can be demonstrated that higher pressures in portions of the distribution system are required for efficient PWS operation.~~ If PWS modification will cause pressure to routinely exceed eighty (80) psi, or if a check valve or an individual pressure reducing device is added to the service line, the PWS owner must notify affected customers. Notification may include reasons for the elevated pressure, problems, or damage that **unmitigated** elevated pressure can inflict on appliances or plumbing systems, and suggested procedures or mitigation efforts affected property owners may initiate to minimize problem or damage.

Thanks, Ron

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**From:** Tyler Fortunati

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 30, 2025 7:30 AM

**Subject:** Rule Implementation Memorandum - IDAPA 58.01.08.552.01.b.v

Good morning,

As promised, attached is an executed memorandum detailing how the Department will handle rule implementation of IDAPA 58.01.08.552.01.b.v. This implementation memorandum will remain in effect until the Department receives legislative approval of docket 58-01-08-2502 during 2026 legislative session and that approval goes into effect (projected July 1, 2026). Please continue to work with your regional compliance officers and engineers on any design projects impacted by this memorandum.

As a reminder, there is a negotiated rulemaking scheduled for August 7, 2025, regarding this rule and rule docket. I look forward to working with you to remedy your concerns and issues with this rule. If you have any questions in the interim, please let me know.

Sincerely,



**Tyler Fortunati**

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**From:** Tyler Fortunati

**Sent:** Monday, July 28, 2025 4:14 PM

**Subject:** FW: Negotiated Rulemaking - Public Drinking Water Systems 58-0108-2502

Good afternoon,

You should have all likely received the email below regarding the Drinking Water Bureau's negotiated rulemaking effort scheduled for next week. This effort stems from the June 2025 Drinking Water Advisory Committee meeting and discussion revolving around IDAPA 58.01.08.552.01.b.v. I appreciate everyone's participation in that meeting and bringing your concerns and issues to the table so they could be addressed. To address the stakeholder community's concerns with the revised rule, the Bureau is conducting negotiated rulemaking on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to ensure a proposed rule and long-term resolution to everyone's concerns is met during the 2026 legislative session. I apologize for the short notice, but we just received approval from all the necessary channels to pursue the 2026 session regarding this rule. Meeting details and attendance options are below along with a link to access the proposed rule revision that will be the negotiated starting point (please see the Negotiated Rule Documents and Meeting Presentations section of the webpage). This initial proposal is a revision back to how the rule was written prior to the changes that went into effect July 1, 2024.

Additionally, there will be a memorandum on how the Department will handle the current rule in the interim until we get a final rule approved by the 2026 legislature and into effect on July 1, 2026. I expect that memorandum to be executed within the next few days and I'll distribute it to this group at that time. In the meantime, I wanted to provide as much advanced notice on this negotiated rulemaking meeting as possible given the time constraints. Please let me know if there are any questions.

Sincerely,



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## Drinking Water: Docket No. 58-0108-

### 2502

Rulemaking initiated to revert the 80 psi maximum distribution system pressure limit to its previous level of 100 psi.

### Status

Negotiated rulemaking meeting August 7, 2025.

### Overview

This rulemaking addresses public water system stakeholder concerns regarding the 80 psi maximum distribution system pressure limit contained in IDAPA 58.01.08.552.01.b.v. DEQ seeks to remedy this problem by reverting the psi requirement to its previous level of 100 psi.

Submit all written comments and direct questions to:

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### Event Details and Rule Draft

For event details and to review the rule draft, please visit <https://www.deq.idaho.gov/public-information/laws-guidance-and-orders/rulemaking/drinking-water-docket-no-58-0108-2502/> Look under the following headings:

#### Meeting Details

#### Negotiated Rule Documents and Meeting Presentations

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