

**STATE OF MAINE**  
**BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**  
**Public Hearing and Meeting Notice**

**NOTE:** If a winter storm is forecasted to affect Maine on the Board meeting date, the Board will follow any delays or closures applicable to State Offices in Kennebec County. Information regarding delays or closures of State Offices is communicated through media outlets and the Maine.gov webpage: <https://www.maine.gov/portal/index.html>.

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**What:** Public Hearing and Meeting of the Board of Environmental Protection

**When:** December 4, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

**Where:** State Office Building Public Safety, Chaplain A Room, 45 Commerce Drive, Augusta ([Directions to 45 Commerce Drive](#))

**Meeting method:** In-person (live stream available for viewing purposes only)

**How to participate:** Members of the public may attend, and, when there is an opportunity for public input on a matter before the Board, participate in the December 4, 2025, Board meeting or hearing in-person at the location identified above. Persons who have a disability and who seek reasonable accommodation to attend the meeting should contact Board Clerk Ruth Ann Burke [clerk.bep@maine.gov](mailto:clerk.bep@maine.gov) or 207-287-2811 prior to the meeting.

Persons may observe but not participate in the meeting and hearing via a live stream of the Board's meeting. Link to watch via Zoom: <https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/89569445153>

To listen by phone:  
1-305-224-1968  
Webinar ID: 895 6944 5153

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## **I. PUBLIC HEARING**

- Chapter 426, *Responsibilities Under the Returnable Beverage Container Law***  
**Staff: Brian Beneski and Elena Bertocci, Bureau of Remediation and Waste Management**  
[Staff Memo](#)  
[Chapter 426 Rule Posted for Comment](#)  
[Flowchart](#)

**Note:** Persons who wish to testify on the proposed rule may attend the hearing and sign up to testify either for, against, or neither for nor against the proposed rule. The Board Chair may limit the time each person has to provide oral testimony based on the number of people who sign up to testify. Any person who wishes to submit written materials in support of their testimony should bring 10 copies of each handout to the hearing. In addition, written statements and arguments concerning the proposed rule may be filed with the Board until December 15, 2025.

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**II. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, COMMENTS, AND NOTES**

1. Commissioner's Comments
2. Chair's Comments
3. Executive Analyst's Comments
4. [Calendar](#)
5. [Department Orders](#) / [Applications Accepted](#) for Processing

**III. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES**

1. [Draft Meeting Minutes for November 6, 2025](#) (*Consideration for approval*)

**IV. CURRENT ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION**

1. **Hazardous Waste Management Rules (*Informational session*)**  
**Staff: Cherrie Plummer, Bureau of Remediation and Waste Management**  
[Staff Memo](#)  
[Hazardous Waste Program Description](#)  
[Strategic Plan](#)

**Note:** Generally, the Board does not receive public comment during informational briefings.

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