

**15A NCAC 01C .0109 PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS**

- (a) When DEQ is the state project agency, DEQ may request information from an applicant to prepare an environmental document. DEQ shall independently evaluate the information provided and shall be responsible for its accuracy.
- (b) When DEQ is the state project agency, an environmental document may be prepared by a consultant, including the applicant for the action's consultant. If DEQ allows an applicant for the action to prepare an environmental document, DEQ shall furnish guidance and participate in the preparation, and take responsibility for its scope, objectivity, content, and accuracy.
- (c) The Environmental Assessment Guidance Document available through the State Clearinghouse provides guidance in preparing environmental documents.
- (d) When DEQ is the state project agency, the content and finalization of an environmental document shall comply with NCEPA, DEQ's rules, and the Department of Administration's rules (01 NCAC 25).

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