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NRC Considering Wyoming's Request to Amend State Agreement

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is considering Wyoming's request to amend its state agreement to assume regulatory authority for source material recovered from mineral resources processed primarily for purposes other than uranium or thorium content.

The proposed amended agreement and a summary of the NRC staff's draft assessment of the Wyoming program were published in the [Federal Register](#), and will be open for public comments for four weeks, ending on March 2.

Before amending the agreement, the NRC must determine that Wyoming's radiation control program is adequate to protect public health and safety and is compatible with the NRC's regulations with respect to the materials covered by the proposed amended agreement.

Wyoming became the 38th Agreement State on Sept. 31, 2018. The current agreement transferred to Wyoming the responsibility for licensing, rulemaking, inspection and enforcement related to uranium or thorium milling and the management and disposal of milling waste or mill tailings. The NRC would retain jurisdiction over any commercial nuclear power plants and other radioactive materials.

Written comments may be submitted through the federal rulemaking website, [regulations.gov](#), under Docket ID NRC-2025-2062; or by mail to: Office of Administration, TWFN-5-A85, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Program Management, Announcements and Editing Staff.

More information about the Agreement State program is available on the [NRC's website](#).

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission was created as an expert, technical agency to protect public health, safety, and security, and regulate the civilian use of nuclear materials, including enabling the deployment of nuclear power for the benefit of society. Among other responsibilities, the agency issues licenses, conducts inspections, initiates and enforces regulations, and plans for incident response. The global gold standard for nuclear regulation, the NRC is collaborating with interagency partners to implement reforms outlined in new Executive Orders and the ADVANCE Act to streamline agency activities and enhance efficiency.