



**MONTANA
ADMINISTRATIVE
REGISTER**



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

MAR NOTICE NO. 2026-159.2

Summary

Rule updates to implement procurement reform measures and to address outdated references and other issues discovered during the Department of Administration's biennial rule review

Previous Notice(s) and Hearing Information

On August 7, 2026, the department published MAR Notice No. 2026-159.1 regarding proposed changes to the agency's procurement rules as set forth in the 2026 Montana Administrative Register, Issue No. 15. No hearing was held.

Final Rulemaking Action – Effective September 26, 2026

AMEND AS PROPOSED

The agency has amended the following rules as proposed:

2.5.201 DEFINITIONS

2.5.202 DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

2.5.401 VENDORS LIST

2.5.402 SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT FROM CONTRACT ELIGIBILITY

2.5.405 BLIND VENDORS' BIDDING PREFERENCE

2.5.406 BIDDER, OFFEROR, OR CONTRACTOR PROTEST

2.5.503 PUBLIC NOTICE

2.5.505 MISTAKES AND MINOR VARIATIONS IN BIDS AND OFFERS

2.5.510 INTENT TO AWARD

2.5.604 SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

2.5.607 PROCUREMENT FROM SHELTERED WORKSHOPS OR WORK ACTIVITY CENTERS

Statement of Reasons

No comments were received.

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Approval

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