



Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment

Washington State Department of Ecology General Order of Approval for Portable and Stationary Asphalt Batch Plants

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) issues Notices of Construction that allows the construction of new sources of air pollution or the modification of existing sources. When several sources are similar, Ecology can issue a “General Order” for all the sources, rather than a series of individual Notices of Construction. Individual facilities covered under the General Order must comply with the terms and conditions of the order.

Ecology wrote this general order to implement proposed rule language found in Administrative Order 09-01 Chapter 173-400 WAC, General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources. Ecology will finalize this general order after adopting the changes to Chapter 173-400 WAC. You can find more information about this rule making at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/laws-rules/wac173400/0901.html>

Which sources does this General Order of Approval cover?

The General Order applies to portable and stationary asphalt plants regulated by Ecology or located in the following counties:

- Adams
- Asotin
- Chelan
- Columbia
- Douglas
- Ferry
- Franklin
- Garfield
- Grant
- Kittitas
- Klickitat
- Lincoln
- Okanogan
- Pend Oreille
- San Juan
- Stevens
- Walla Walla
- Whitman

Where can I review the General Order of Approval?

Ecology made the following documents available for review and public comment:

- General Order of Approval for Portable and Stationary Asphalt Batch Plants.
- Technical Support Documents for the above General Order
- State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination

You can review the documents online at:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/AOP_Permits/Boiler/GeneralOrders.htm

or at the following Ecology offices:

Headquarters
300 Desmond Drive
Lacey, WA 98503

Central Regional Office
15 West Yakima Ave.
Yakima, WA 98902

Eastern Regional Office
N. 4601 Monroe Rd.
Spokane, WA 99205

How do I comment?

The comment period ends on December 23, 2010. You can give us your official comments in the following ways:

1. Email comments to richard.hibbard@ecy.wa.gov

2. Fax comments to (360) 407-7534

3. Mail comments to:

Department of Ecology
Richard Hibbard
PO Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-7600

Will Ecology hold a public hearing?

If Ecology receives comments that show a significant public interest in this project, we may schedule a public hearing.

When does the General Order become final?

Ecology will issue the final order after it considers all public comment.

- If Ecology does not receive any comments, the General Order becomes final immediately following the close of the public comment period.
- If Ecology does receive comments, the General Order becomes effective 30 days after final approval.

Ecology will send a response to everyone who commented on the proposed order.

Where can I find more information?

Online: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/AOP_Permits/Boiler/GeneralOrders.htm

Contact:

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If you need this information in another format, or if you need special accommodations, please call Tami Dahlgren at (360) 407-6800. Persons with hearing loss can call 711 for Washington Relay Service. Persons with a speech disability can call 877-833-6341.