

# SEPA RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

APRIL 11, 2013 – 9:00 AM TO 1:00PM  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY HQ  
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## **Objectives for this meeting:**

- **Update on Cultural/Historic Issues: New Workgroup**
- **Primary discussion topics:**
  - **Public notice**
  - **Optional consolidated process**
  - **Categorical exemptions**

9:00am: Welcome/ Introductions/Agenda Review (Neil Aaland)

9:15am: Discussion topics (all)

*The Advisory Committee decided in January that, rather than assigning each meeting to one or two topics, all topics would be on the schedule and a portion of each meeting will be devoted to each. As topics warrant, separate conference calls may be established to have a further discussion on a particular topic. The sequence of topics for today's meeting is:*

- *Public notice - based on proposal from counties (Neil)*
- *Optional consolidated process - based on proposal from counties (Neil)*
- *Categorical exemptions - based on input to date from stakeholders (Annie Szvetecz)*

10:00am: Cultural/Historic Preservation: New Workgroup (Tom Clingman)

*Cultural and Historic Preservation issues have been a focus of this rulemaking effort. Recently, a meeting was convened by Washington State Rep. John McCoy to discuss this topic with a small group of stakeholders. Out of that meeting, a commitment was made by Ecology Director Maia Bellon to address these issues in a separate workgroup. This workgroup will be convened under the framework of the current rulemaking effort, but have an additional charge to consider ways to address related issues both within the framework of SEPA and, if necessary, recommend changes to other state laws and regulations. Tom Clingman will attend this portion of the meeting to describe the task of this workgroup.*

10:30am: Break

10:45am: Continue discussion

12:00 noon – 12:10 pm: Break for Caucusing (if requested)

12:10 pm: Continue discussion

12:45 pm: Public Comment

1:00: Adjourn

Attachments: Policy options for committee discussion: Public Notice  
Policy options for committee discussion: Optional Consolidated Process  
Categorical exemptions: Exceptions to Exemptions, Utilities

Next meeting (second Thursday of each month):  
9:00 to 1:00 – May 9, 2013