



Agenda
SEPA Rule Amendments - Public Hearing
December 4, 2012

Presentation and Q/A

1. Overview – How does SEPA work?
 - a. Purpose of SEPA
 - b. The SEPA process
2. What did the legislature tell us to do?
 - a. General legislative direction
 - b. Phase 1 Rulemaking (2012)
 - c. Phase 2 Rulemaking (2013)
3. What are the proposed changes for Phase 1?
 - a. Establish separate flexible exemption thresholds for GMA jurisdictions and non-GMA jurisdictions
 - b. Revise the process for adopting flexible SEPA exemption thresholds
 - c. Revise and clarify language related to the “residential”, “parking lot” and “landfill and excavation” categories of minor new construction
 - d. Increase the threshold for SEPA review of electric facilities
 - e. Improve the efficiency of the environmental checklist
 - f. Electronic submittal
4. Q/A