

Summary Sheet
Highlights of Changes to:
Planning Guidelines for Local Hazardous Waste Plans
and
Implementation Guidelines for Local Hazardous Waste Plans

The legislation (Chapter 70.105 RCW) that addresses the required elements for inclusion in a Local Hazardous Waste Plan (LHWP) has not changed. Unfortunately, many LHWPs are over 15 years old and need updating to better reflect the knowledge gained over the years in Moderate Risk Waste (MRW) prevention and management.

One other requirement of a LHWP is to be done in accordance with the *Guidelines for Development of Local Hazardous Waste Plans*. To facilitate an update to local jurisdictions LHWP, these guidelines have been updated. This summary highlights many of the changes to the guidelines from the original document.

Planning Guidelines

- A section was added that outlined a brief history of hazardous waste plan development.
- A section was added explaining why the “Guidelines” are being updated now.
- A section was added to explain what the Beyond Waste Plan is and how it can help in the development of a LHWP.
- A section was added on the processes to follow when updating your LHWP.
- A requirement was added to the “Guidelines” for an implementation schedule to be shown for what will take place during the planning period.
- The *Implementation Guidelines for Local Hazardous Waste Plans* document was updated and included in the *Planning Guidelines for Local Hazardous Waste Plans* document as Appendix A.
- Appendix B (Hazardous Household Substance List) has been expanded by adding PBTs, Bleach, Pharmaceuticals, Personal Care Products, and others.
- Appendix D (Checklist for completing LHWPs) was added to assist local governments in making sure they covered all elements needed in their plan.
- Appendix E (Beyond Waste Examples and Resources) was added to give local governments ideas of what Beyond Waste Programs could be incorporated into their plan.
- Appendix F (RCW 70.150.220) was added so the local jurisdiction can easily reference the requirements of a LHWP.
- In general, encourage the inclusion of Beyond Waste programs in a plans implementation schedule and stress the importance of a program being part of a plan to receive state funding.

Implementation Guidelines

- Expanded upon the information presented in the “Planning Guidelines” document on the process’s to update a plan.
- Updated the section explaining the roles of local government and Ecology when interacting with Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQGs).
- Updated the roles and responsibilities section, mainly for Ecology, as position descriptions have changed since the original “Implementation Guidelines” came out in 1992.
- Expanded on the “Definition of Implementation” section to define what an implementation schedule is and provided an example of what one might look like.
- Updated Appendix C (Regional MRW Contacts) with links or numbers to find the proper Ecology contact for MRW issues.
- In general, encourage the inclusion of Beyond Waste programs in a plans implementation schedule and stress the importance of programs Beyond Waste components being outlined in a plan to receive state funded off-set cycle CPG funding.

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