

June 10, 2009

Dear Permittee:

RE: Renewal of 2005 Sand & Gravel General Permit coverage.

Enclosed is an application form to renew coverage for your mine or mine-related business under the Sand and Gravel General Permit. The permit authorizes discharge of waste water and stormwater from your facility to surface and ground waters in the state of Washington.

This correspondence includes a set of instructions for completing the application. Permit General Condition, G18 on page 38 of the permit, requires that you submit the application at least 180 days before the 2005 permit expires, (submitted by August 8, 2009). The Department of Ecology encourages you to return the application before this date, to ensure your continued compliance with state and federal laws for discharging wastewater from your business. This application is only for permit renewal, not new facilities.

Return the completed application to the Ecology regional office that manages your permit coverage. This is the office where you send quarterly discharge monitoring reports. The last page of the instructions lists the addresses of the Ecology offices.

If you have questions regarding the application, call the Ecology regional office that manages your permit. Ecology must receive an application with an original signature, rather than a reproduction or fax.

You may also find a copy of the Application for Renewal on the Ecology website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/sand/index.html>. Look for links to the renewal application form under "Relevant Documents." Contact Ecology if you need additional applications.

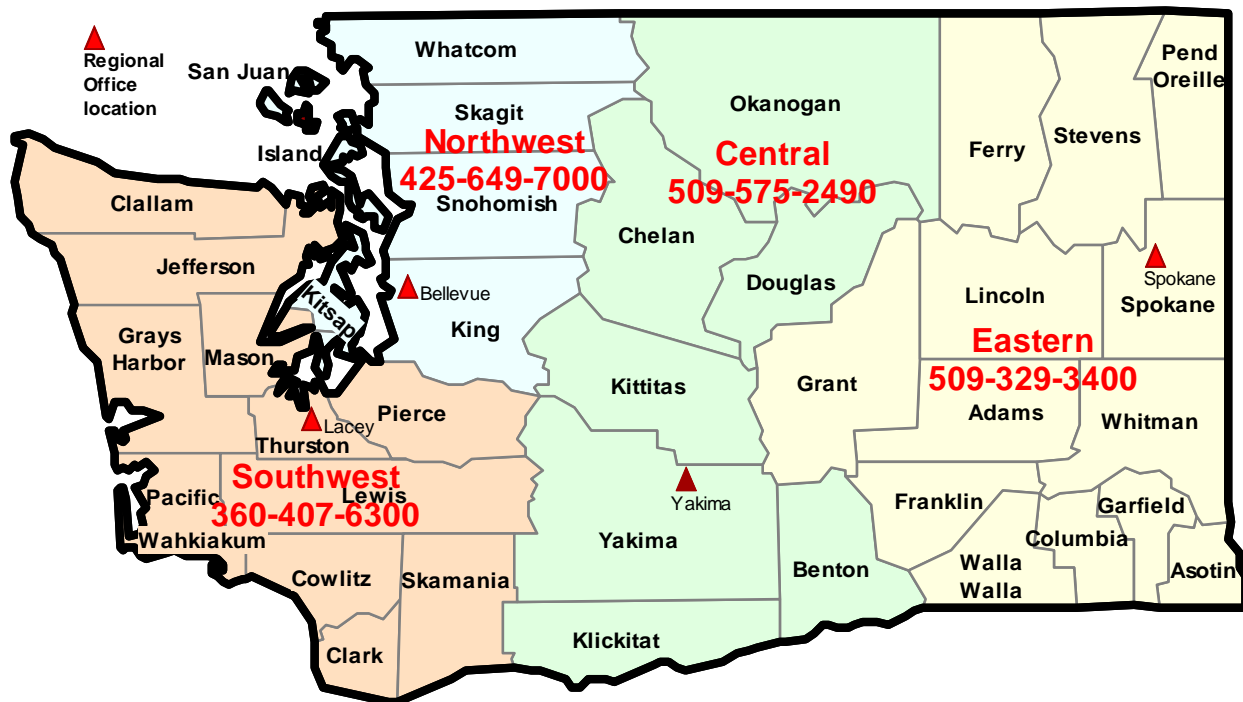
Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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