Thank you for your interest in becoming a full licensed Washington State Water and Resource Protection Well Operator, this study packet includes the following:

**A Guide to Washington’s Well Operator Licensing Program**
This brochure describes the different ways to become a licensed operator from entering our training program, to obtaining a Washington license when you are already licensed out of state. [https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/publications/981809wr.pdf](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/publications/981809wr.pdf)

**Continuing Education for Well Operators**
This brochure provides questions and answers regarding our continuing education program and how to have a class approved. [https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/summarypages/wr98153.html](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publications/summarypages/wr98153.html)

**Consolidated Rock Table**
This chart separates the categories of rock type based on igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary.


**Passing the Written Exam**
All questions are based on the Regulations and on the job experience and knowledge. You will need to know:

- How to accurately complete a Well Report for constructing and decommissioning a well.
- How to plot the location of a well using Township, Range, Section, and ¼, ¼. **Knowledge to correctly demonstrate well location on a Well Report is required prior to issuing a drilling license.**
- Knowledge of different classifications of rock and their origin: whether igneous, metamorphic, or sedimentary.

You will also need to be familiar with **Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Protection of Environment**, 40 CFR is considered reference material you may need as you work on projects. Parts of these regulations may be included in the written exam. [http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov](http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov)

**Sample of drillers actions that are regulated through EPA/40 CFR:**

- RCRA site regulation contains drilling regulations
- Superfund site regulation contains drilling regulations
- Drilling waste or spoils generated during drilling that are or may be contaminated
- Oil spills at their shops or drill sites
- Hazardous waste spills at their shops or drill sites
- Hazardous waste they generate at their shops or drill sites
- Contamination of water
- Diesel emissions
- National drinking water standards

Questions? Contact the Well Construction and Licensing Office at: wclo@ecy.wa.gov or 360-407- 6650.