

## Summary of Draft Changes to Group A Rule for Emergency Sources and Trucked Emergency Drinking Water Supplies

### Emergency Sources (WAC 246-290-131 (1)-(3))

#### Changed the definition of emergency source from:

*Emergency source means any source that is approved by the department for emergency purposes only, is not used for routine or seasonal water demands, is physically disconnected, and is identified in the purveyor's emergency response plan.*

**To:** *Emergency source means any source that a purveyor intends to use for emergency purposes only and not use for routine or seasonal water demands.*

#### Established provisions for an emergency source to remain physically connected to the distribution system.

Currently all emergency sources must be physically disconnected. Draft changes in the rule allows the purveyor to maintain a physical connection between the emergency source and distribution if certain conditions are met.

#### Established conditions for allowing an emergency source to remain physically connected to the distribution system.

- Drilled and cased well.
- Physically isolated (valved and electrically locked out).
- Maintenance and use of the emergency source is covered in the purveyor's approved emergency response plan.

### Trucked Water (WAC 246-290-131 (4))

#### Added standards for use of trucked water to supply the public during an emergency.

- Receive prior permission from local or state health, or local or state EMD.
- Obtain supply from an approved Group A source.
- Establishes disinfection (0.5 mg/l residual), Cl<sub>2</sub> sampling, and reporting standards.