



## OFFICE OF DRINKING WATER

### Waterworks Operator Certification Chapter 246-292 WAC

ACTIVITY	ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE	DATE COMPLETED
File CR101	October 2009	October 13, 2009
DOH internal workgroup draft rule language	January 2011	January 2011
Gather stakeholder and interested parties recommendations	June 2011	June 2011
Finalize draft rule	December 2012	December 2012
Prepare Significant Analysis and Small Business Impact Statement	April 2013	April 2013
File CR 102	August 2013	August 2013
Public hearing	September 2013	September 2013
Prepare Concise Explanatory Statement	October 2013	
File CR 103	November 2013	
Rule Effective	January 2014	

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this rulemaking is to incorporate statutory changes made in chapter 70.119 RCW, Chapter 221 Laws of 2009, strengthen the Department of Health's (department) authority to take enforcement actions for serious violations, and clarify the department's authority to certify backflow assembly testers and cross-connection control specialists. The department will also consider updating the rules to address operational issues and incorporate long-standing guidelines into the rules.

#### **Recent Issues and Activities**

We held a public hearing on the proposed rule changes on Friday, September 27, 2013.

#### **Next Steps**

Currently staff is reviewing public comment received on the proposed rule changes and preparing a Concise Explanatory Statement.

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