



OFFICE OF DRINKING WATER

Drinking Water Operating Permit - Fees, and Monitoring Waiver - Fees Chapters 246-294 and 246-290 WAC

May 2012

ACTIVITY	ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE	DATE COMPLETED
File CR102	October 2011	November 1, 2011
Notify stakeholders	November 2011	November 10, 2011
Public Hearing	December 14, 2011	December 14, 2012
Respond to stakeholder comments, prepare Concise Explanatory Statement	February 2012	February 2012
File CR 103	February 2012	February 2012
Rule Effective	March 18, 2012	March 18, 2012

Purpose

The purpose of this rule making is to implement Substitute Senate Bill 5364, which requires the Department of Health (department) to establish operating permit fees by rule. The department is proposing to increase the annual operating permit fees and restructure the fee schedule to spread the costs more fairly to public water systems. In addition, the department is proposing to eliminate the monitoring waiver fees to help reduce the impact of the operating permit fee increase.

Recent Issues and Activities

The rule became effective on March 18, 2012.

Next Steps

First quarter annual fee statements for satellite management agencies (SMAs) and community water systems serving 500 or more connections were mailed on March 18, 2012.

For detailed information about the drinking water operating permit rule revision process go to http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/dw/Our_Main_Pages/regula.htm or contact Theresa Phillips at 360-236-3147 or e-mail theresa.phillips@doh.wa.gov