



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

Northwest Region Office
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June 20, 2023

Gary McSpadden
City of Blaine Public Works
1200 Yew Avenue
Blaine, WA 98230

Dear Gary McSpadden:

Re: State Reclaimed Water Permit Renewal Application

Permit Number WA0022641 has been issued to Lighthouse Point Water Reclamation Facility to regulate the generation, distribution, and use of Class A reclaimed water. This permit is due to expire on June 30, 2024 and requires an application be submitted to Department of Ecology (Ecology). The completed application is to be received at this office by November 1, 2023.

In accordance with Chapter 173-219-140 WAC, Ecology will generally streamline permitting for domestic wastewater facilities by adding limits and conditions for reclaimed water generation, distribution, and use into a single NPDES or State Waste Discharge permit that also regulates wastewater discharges from the permitted facility. Although the permit listed above combines two different permits, Ecology requires separate applications for the different permit types. This application provides Ecology staff with the information necessary to develop the reclaimed water portions of the combined permit.

Completing the Application

The Department of Ecology requires you use the State Application Form ECY 070-180 from the Ecology website at <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/documents/ecy070180.pdf> (If you do not have access to a computer, please contact Tricia Miller at 206-594-0167 to request a hard copy.) Please use the Checklist at the beginning of the form to ensure the application includes all required supplemental materials.

The permit manager requests that you complete the sections checked below:

- Basic application information on page 2.
- Section A. General Information*
- Section B. Reclaimed Water Treatment Systems*
- Section C. Reclaimed Water Distribution* or the following subsections only:
- Section D. Reclaimed Water Use - General*
- Section E. Reclaimed Water Use – Wetlands*
- Section F. Reclaimed Water Use – Surface Water*
- Section G. Reclaimed Water Use – Groundwater*
- Section H. Groundwater Information*

Please carefully read the instructions on the application form. Submit all information you feel may help Ecology determine the appropriate requirements for your reclaimed water permit. The checklist at the beginning of the form identifies common supplemental information you may need to include with the application.

You may also need to submit information and other applications about the following:

Biosolids

You may also be responsible for compliance with Chapter 173-308 WAC, *Biosolids Management*, and the statewide *General Permit for Biosolids Management*. Please contact Ms. Amber Corfman, Biosolids Coordinator, NWRO Waste 2 Resources at (360) 918-4786 to obtain specific information about your obligations to apply for coverage or visit the biosolids web page at <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Biosolids-permits-forms>

Solid Waste Handling

You may also be responsible for compliance with Chapter 173-350 WAC, *Solid Waste Handling Standards*, for the management of solid wastes. Please contact your local health jurisdiction with any specific questions.

Groundwater/Receiving Water Analysis

Reclaimed water uses that release water into groundwater or surface water generally require permit conditions necessary to protect those water resources. Submit any available information on the background concentrations of pollutants in the groundwater or surface water near the point where reclaimed water is released to these waters of the state.

Signature Delegation

The application must be signed by a principal executive officer or ranking elected official (Chapter 173-219-190 WAC). Signature authority for submittals required by the permit, such as monthly discharge monitoring reports, may be delegated to a specific individual or to a position which is expected to be filled by a qualified individual. If you wish to delegate authority, please submit a letter delegating signature authority along with the application.

Submitting the Application

Please mail the **original, signed application** to:

Water Quality Permit Coordinator
Northwest Regional Office
Department of Ecology
PO Box 330316
Shoreline, WA 98133

AND

Please email a **completed electronic application** to the permit coordinator, Tricia Miller, at tricia.miller@ecy.wa.gov.



Permit Fees

Fees paid by permit holders support the wastewater permit program (RCW 90.48.465). Ecology regulation (Chapter 173-224 WAC) establishes annual permit fees to recover costs associated with issuing and managing wastewater discharge permits. We will continue to assess and bill annual permit fees to you unless the permit is formally cancelled. Please direct any questions you may have about the permit fees to the fee unit at wqfeeunit@ecy.wa.gov or 1-800-633-6193.

If you have questions regarding the permit application process, please contact Steve Hood at (360) 296-3426 or by email at steve.hood@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Tricia Miller
Water Quality Permit Coordinator
Northwest Regional Office

Sent via electronic mail

