



Guidance for Ecology's Clean Energy Coordinated Process Phase 1: Pre-application



Develop a clean energy project in Washington

Please request a pre-application meeting with [Ecology](#) as soon as possible. During the pre-application phase of Ecology's Clean Energy Coordinated Permit Process (CPP) we will ask you to consider the following topics early in your project planning. Use the hyperlinked resources to learn more.

- Does your project meet the [definitions of clean energy](#) and [state standards for reducing greenhouse gas emissions](#) (GHG)?
- Are you required to use the [EFSEC process](#)?
- Did you review the [Comparison of Permitting Pathways Focus Sheet](#) and [CEC website](#)?

Engagement and Consultation¹

- Does your project have potential impacts to [Tribal rights, resources, and interests](#)?
- Did you identify [federally recognized Tribes with lands and territories in Washington State](#) who could be affected?
- Have you identified features of the community and engaged with [overburdened communities](#)²?
- Did you reach out to state agencies ([ECY](#), [WDFW](#), [DNR](#), [DAHP](#)) to discuss requirements for baseline studies and surveys for a site?
- Do you have information from local governments, [clean air agencies](#), and other regional authorities about their requirements?
- Document and include the contacts (related to your project) that you made prior to working with Ecology.

Environmental Review and Assessment

- Have you written a thorough project and site description?
- Have you completed the [SEPA checklist](#), listed likely [permits needed](#), and documented how the project contributes to a reduction of GHGs?
- Have you planned or completed analytical and baseline studies?

Federal Requirements³

- Does the project need a federal license or permit, receive federal funding, and/or is it on federal lands? Have you contacted any federal agencies?

¹ [RCW 43.158.150](#)

² [HEAL Act](#)

³ [Federal Requirements](#)