# Brief Comment Summary: Priority Products Report to the Legislature for Safer Products for Washington Cycle 2



### **Overview**

The Department of Ecology, in consultation with the Department of Health, (we) provided multiple pathways for interested parties, stakeholders, and the public to give feedback on our Cycle 2 Draft Identification of Priority Products Report to the Legislature. We received over 50 comments.

The Comment Summary document outlines some of the consistent questions and comments we received. It includes information on how we considered the feedback when developing the Identification of Priority Products Report to the Legislature, Safer Products for Washington Cycle 2, Phase 2 final report.

This report does not recommend any regulatory actions. During the next phase of implementation, we'll evaluate whether safer alternatives to priority chemicals in the priority products are feasible and available. Following this, we will make regulatory determinations for priority consumer products in the report by June 2027.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact us at <a href="SaferProductsWA@ecy.wa.gov">SaferProductsWA@ecy.wa.gov</a>.

### Feedback and comments summarized

We received thoughtful feedback from interested parties, stakeholders, and Washington communities. We integrated many suggestions into our final report, including:

- Removing cleaning and household care products as a priority product category.
- Adding alkylphenol ethoxylates (APEs) to an existing priority product category (architectural paints).
- Adding new references and information.
- Reorganizing and clarifying sections of the report.
- Including additional discussion of performance requirements for products.
- Making editorial revisions and corrections.

We met with several interested parties and responded to feedback shared in public comments.

People shared feedback about:

Support for the program and appreciation for prioritizing chemicals and products in the report.

- Regulating chemicals by class, differences in hazards of chemicals, overlap with ongoing work by EPA, and requested a risk-based approach.
- Some questioned the broad product categories, described the need to consider how products perform, and emphasized the societal value of some chemicals and products.
- Some asked us to add priority products including additional lead-containing products and vinyl and styrene-based building materials.

### **Publication information**

This report is available on the Department of Ecology's website at https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/2504038.html

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