



Water Resources Program

Variance Request- Minimum Standards for Well Construction

WAC173-160-106(1) allows you to request a variance from the Department of Ecology when strict compliance with state well construction standards is impractical. The variance request must propose comparable alternative specifications that will provide equal or greater human health and resource protection than the minimum standards. You must apply for a variance in writing and receive approval before constructing or decommissioning the well. (All fields must be completed.)

Requested by: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Date: _____

Property Owner (if different): _____

Site Location: _____¹/₄ _____¹/₄ Section: _____ Township: _____ Range: _____ E or WWM

Tax Parcel Number: _____

Well Address: _____

Well Driller/Company (if known): _____

Check one: Water Well Resource Protection Well Dewatering Well

What construction standard cannot be met?

Describe the reason why standard cannot be met. Include site map and distances from all known potential sources of contamination if setback variance is being requested.

Describe the alternative construction method that will provide equal or greater protections than those provided by the minimum standard.

(Attach additional pages if necessary.) Complete and return with your site map to the appropriate regional office:

Northwest Regional Office	Southwest Regional Office	Eastern Regional Office	Central Regional Office
PO Box 330316 Shoreline, WA 98133-9716 (206) 594-0000 wrNWRO@ecy.wa.gov	PO Box 47775 Olympia, WA 98504-7775 (360) 407-6300 wrSWRO@ecy.wa.gov	4601 N. Monroe St. Spokane, WA 99205-1265 (509) 329-3400 wrERO@ecy.wa.gov	1250 W. Alder St. Union Gap, WA 98903-0009 (509) 575-2490 wrCRO@ecy.wa.gov