

**RCW 78.44.161 Reclamation compliance—Inspection of disturbed area—Special inspection requirements for metals mining and milling operations.** The department may order at any time an inspection of the disturbed area to determine if the miner or permit holder has complied with the reclamation permit, rules, and this chapter.

The department shall have special inspection requirements for metals mining and milling operations regulated under chapter 232, Laws of 1994. The department shall inspect these mining operations at least quarterly, unless prevented by inclement weather conditions, in order to ensure that the permit holder is in compliance with the reclamation permit, rules, and this chapter. The department shall conduct additional inspections as needed during the construction phase of these mining operations in order to ensure compliance with the reclamation permit, rules, and this chapter. [1994 c 232 s 22; 1993 c 518 s 25.]

**Effective date—1994 c 232 ss 6-8 and 18-22:** See RCW 78.56.902.

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