WAC 173-700-502 Use of bank credits outside of the service area. (1) The department, in consultation with the signatories, may authorize the use of credits to compensate for impacts outside of the bank's designated service area if the department deems that use to be reasonable and environmentally desirable.

(2) Linear projects that contain at least one impact within the bank's service area, such as roadways, transmission lines, distribution lines, pipelines, or railways, may be eligible to use a bank even though not all of the projects' impacts are located within the bank's service area. However, the following conditions must be met:

(a) The bank must provide appropriate compensation for the impacts; and

(b) The determination to allow use of credits for impacts lying outside of a bank's service area must take into consideration the elements used in determining the bank's service area.

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