

WAC 246-290-453 Corrective action under the GWR. (1) Groundwater systems with significant deficiencies identified under WAC 246-290-416, or source fecal contamination as determined under WAC 246-290-300 (3)(h) must:

(a) Take one or more of the following corrective actions:

(i) Correct all significant deficiencies;

(ii) Provide an alternate source of water;

(iii) Eliminate the source of contamination; or

(iv) Provide treatment that reliably achieves at least 4-log treatment of viruses (using inactivation, removal, or a department-approved combination of 4-log virus inactivation and removal) before or at the first customer for the groundwater source.

(b) Consult with the department regarding appropriate corrective action within thirty days unless otherwise directed by the department to implement a specific corrective action.

(c) Complete corrective action as directed by the department or be in compliance with an approved corrective action plan within one hundred twenty days (or earlier if directed by the department) of receiving written notice from the department of a significant deficiency or source fecal contamination under this subsection. Any modifications of a corrective action plan must be approved by the department.

(2) When treatment is installed to provide at least 4-log treatment of viruses under subsection (1)(a)(iv) of this section, compliance monitoring must be conducted and reported as follows:

(a) For chemical disinfection, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(3)(i).

(i) For groundwater systems serving greater than three thousand three hundred people, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(3)(i)(A).

(ii) For groundwater systems serving three thousand three hundred or fewer people, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(3)(i)(B).

(b) For membrane filtration, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(3)(ii).

(c) For alternative treatment, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(3)(iii).

(d) For new sources, conduct compliance monitoring under 40 C.F.R. 141.403 (b)(2)(i) and (ii).

(e) Submit monthly groundwater treatment plant reports to the department using a department-approved form by the tenth day of the following month in accordance with 40 C.F.R. 141.31.

(3) A groundwater system may discontinue 4-log treatment of viruses installed under subsection (1)(a)(iv) of this section or WAC 246-290-451(4) if the department determines and documents in writing that 4-log treatment of viruses is no longer necessary for that groundwater source. A system that discontinues 4-log treatment of viruses is subject to the triggered source water monitoring requirements under WAC 246-290-320 (2)(g).

(4) Failure to meet the compliance monitoring requirements under subsection (2) of this section is a monitoring violation and requires Tier 3 public notification under Part 7, Subpart A of this chapter.

(5) Failure to submit a monthly groundwater treatment plant report to the department using a department-approved form by the tenth day of the following month is a reporting violation.

(6) Failure to provide 4-log treatment of viruses under subsection (1)(a)(iv) of this section is a treatment technique violation if the failure is not corrected within four hours of the time the purveyor

or determines that at least 4-log treatment of viruses is not maintained and requires Tier 2 public notification under Part 7, Subpart A of this chapter.

(7) Failure to complete corrective action as directed by the department or be in compliance with an approved corrective action plan within one hundred twenty days (or earlier if directed by the department) of receiving notice from the department of a significant deficiency or an *E. coli* positive groundwater sample that is not invalidated under WAC 246-290-320 (2)(g)(vii) is a treatment technique violation and requires Tier 2 public notification under Part 7, Subpart A of this chapter.

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