

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION
WASHINGTON ATTORNEY GENERAL**

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The Attorney General's Office seeks public input on the following opinion request(s).

**06-06-01 Request by Jim Honeyford, et al.
State Senator, 15th Legislative District**

- 1. Is Ecology authorized to go beyond the conservancy board record of decision and conduct an independent factual investigation in regard to the application?**
- 2. Does Ecology have the authority to reject a board decision based on the findings of fact if the facts are supported by evidence in the record of decision?**
- 3. Is a board given deference in regard to its findings of fact and interpretation of the laws?**
- 4. Is a board required to follow Ecology's policies and guidelines if those policies and guidelines have not been adopted into rules or have not been adopted by the state Legislature in statute?**
- 5. Can Ecology's guidelines and policies that have not been adopted into rule be applied to a board decision?**

