

WAC 467-02-120 Review of denials of public records requests.

(1) Any person who objects to the denial of a request for a public record may petition the public records officer for prompt review of such decision by tendering a written request for review. The written request shall specifically refer to the written statement by the public records officer or other staff member which constituted or accompanied the denial.

(2) After receiving a written request for review of a decision denying a public record, if the public records officer determines to affirm the denial, such decision shall constitute final agency action. In any case, the request shall be returned with a final decision, within two business days following receipt of the petition for review.

(3) Administrative remedies shall not be considered exhausted until the public records officer has returned the petition with a decision or until the close of the second business day following denial of inspection, whichever first occurs.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.59.070. WSR 17-24-123, § 467-02-120, filed 12/6/17, effective 1/6/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.59.040. WSR 91-23-101, § 467-02-120, filed 11/20/91, effective 12/21/91; Order 1, § 467-02-120, filed 4/11/77.]