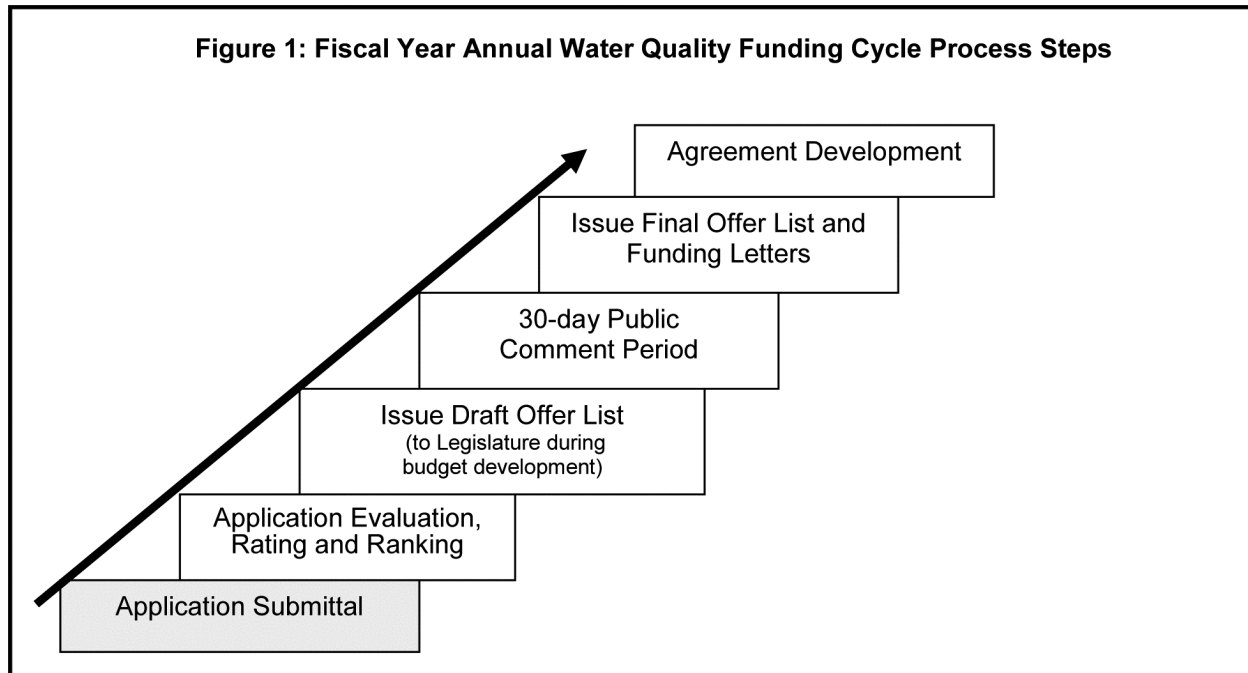


WAC 173-95A-310 The department's responsibilities. (1) A general funding cycle schedule is provided in Figure 1.



(2) In general, the department will provide the following services, although annual modifications may be made to accommodate legislative schedules and requirements:

(a) Make available the application and applicable guidelines before the associated funding cycle begins;

(b) Conduct at least one application workshop in each of ecology's four regions;

(c) Conduct preapplication workshops to discuss regional level priorities if applicable;

(d) After the application deadline, complete an initial review of project proposals for funding eligibility;

(e) Request other agencies to provide evaluation assistance as needed;

(f) Rate and rank the applications using a consistent scoring system;

(g) Develop a combined *Draft Offer and Applicant List*;

(h) Facilitate a public review and comment period for the combined *Draft Offer and Applicant List*;

(i) Sponsor at least one public meeting to explain the combined *Draft Offer and Applicant List*;

(j) Develop a combined *Final Offer and Applicant List*. Public comments collected during the public review period will be incorporated;

(k) Issue funding decision letters to all applicants; and

(l) Negotiate, develop, and finalize loan or grant agreements.

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