

**WAC 173-175-040 Activities that require department review, approval, acceptance, authorization, or notification.** (1) Activities related to the safety of dams that require review and approval by the department as detailed in this chapter include:

(a) Construction of a new dam;  
(b) Modification of an existing dam;  
(c) Removal or abandonment of an existing dam;  
(d) Construction change orders for project elements that could have an effect on public safety.

(2) Activities related to the safety of dams that require review and acceptance by the department as detailed in this chapter include:

(a) Adoption of an operation and maintenance (O&M) plan;  
(b) Adoption of an emergency action plan (EAP);  
(c) Changes to existing operation and maintenance procedures or to an emergency action plan that could have an effect on public safety.

(3) Activities related to the safety of dams that require authorization from the department before proposed actions can proceed include:

(a) Startup of construction: For a new dam; modifications to an existing dam; or removal or abandonment of an existing dam.

(b) Initial controlled filling of a reservoir following new dam construction and implementation of procedures for normal reservoir operation.

(c) Resumption of normal reservoir operation following dam modifications or emergency action.

(4) Activities related to the safety of dams that require a notification to the department as detailed in this chapter include:

(a) Change of dam ownership;  
(b) Advance notice of the startup of dam construction;  
(c) Declaration by the project engineer of project completion in accordance with the department approved plans and specifications and construction change orders;  
(d) Advance notice of periodic inspection; and  
(e) The occurrence of an incident at the dam.

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