

WSR 22-19-091
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
ENVIRONMENTAL AND
LAND USE HEARINGS OFFICE

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chapter 242-03 WAC, growth management hearings board, rules of practice and procedure.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 36.70A.270.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The rule changes will clarify electronic filing procedures and remove fax and paper filing. The rule changes will provide procedures for electronic filing via a case management system portal.

The rule change will remove the requirement that the board dismiss actions upon stipulation for dismissal by the parties. This rule change is needed to align with RCW 36.70A.290, which requires the board to set a hearing, except in limited situations.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: The environmental and land use hearings office will reach out to the department of commerce (DOC) regarding rule-making activity and will keep DOC apprised of progress and opportunities for input.

Process for Developing New Rule: Agency study.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Jamie Merly, 1111 Israel Road S.W., Suite 301, Tumwater, WA 98501, phone 360-485-1282, fax 360-586-2253, email Jamie.Merly@eluhwa.gov, website www.eluhwa.gov.

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