

WSR 22-12-028  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: New WAC chapter to establish a small works roster. Proposed chapter 516-32 WAC, Small works roster.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.35.120(12), 39.04.155.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: As allowed per RCW, the small works roster will enable us to more expeditiously solicit bids for contractors on projects with a construction cost of \$350,000 and below. Currently, on all traditionally-delivered public works projects, we need to formally advertise for bidding, at a cost of ~\$2,500, and wait a lengthy three-to-four-week open bidding process. This process will help tremendously if we are granted a large appropriation for minor works preservation and program in the 2023-25 biennium.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Not applicable.

Process for Developing New Rule: Negotiated rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Jennifer Sloan, Rules Coordinator, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225-9044, phone 360-650-3117, TTY 711, email [sloanj2@wwu.edu](mailto:sloanj2@wwu.edu), website <https://president.wwu.edu/policy-rules>; or Brian Ross, Associate Director, Capitol Budget - Operations, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225-9122, phone 360-650-6539, email [rossb5@wwu.edu](mailto:rossb5@wwu.edu).

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