

Concise Explanatory Statement

WAC 246-290-100, Water system plan



Table 1: General Support

Summary of Comments Received	Department of Health Determination
Supports this action because it will help protect resources for future generations.	No change to proposed rule. Thank you for your interest and support for this rule revision.
We all know there are changes in weather patterns. Planning for drought or floods are a good idea.	No change to proposed rule. Thank you for your interest and support for drought and flood management planning as part of climate resilience.
Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed changes to WAC 246-290-100 Water system plan. We are supportive of policy changes that add the statutorily required climate resilience element to the existing list of required water system plan elements.	No change to proposed rule. Thank you for your interest and support for this rule revision.

Table II: Comments outside the scope of this rulemaking

Summary of Comments Received	Department of Health Determination
Would like a fast-track permitting option for emergencies for all Group A, B, TNC, NTNC. It is a greater health risk to be without water than to wait months for a permit approval.	No change to proposed rule. Comment requests a change that is outside the scope of this rulemaking. These details and definitions will be addressed in the updated Water System Planning Guidebook (#331-068).
Concerned that without clear definition of “climate resilience“ the impact of this requirement will be limited. Requests that “climate resilience” be very clearly defined in the rule with specific and technical design criteria that can be met so we don’t leave the engineering design teams unsure of what is required.	No change to proposed rule. Comment requests a change that is outside the scope of this rulemaking. These details and definitions will be addressed in the updated Water System Planning Guidebook (#331-068).
Requested addition of the specific language from bill, codified under RCW 43.20.310(2)(a)-(c), to the proposed rule or guidance to help the water systems comply with the new requirement.	No change to proposed rule. Comment requests a change that is outside the scope of this rulemaking. These details and definitions will be addressed in the updated Water System Planning Guidebook (#331-068).



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