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WAC 197-11-444

Elements of the environment.

(1) Natural environment

(a) Earth

(i) Geology

(ii) Soils

(iii) Topography

(iv) Unique physical features

(v) Erosion/enlargement of land area (accretion)

(b) Air

(i) Air quality

(ii) Odor

(iii) Climate

(c) Water

(i) Surface water movement/quantity/quality

(ii) Runoff/absorption

(iii) Floods

(iv) Ground water movement/quantity/quality

(v) Public water supplies

(d) Plants and animals

(i) Habitat for and numbers or diversity of species of plants, fish, or other wildlife

(ii) Unique species

(iii) Fish or wildlife migration routes

(e) Energy and natural resources

(i) Amount required/rate of use/efficiency

(ii) Source/availability

- (iii) Nonrenewable resources
- (iv) Conservation and renewable resources
- (v) Scenic resources
- (2) Built environment
 - (a) Environmental health
 - (i) Noise
 - (ii) Risk of explosion
 - (iii) Releases or potential releases to the environment affecting public health, such as toxic or hazardous materials
 - (b) Land and shoreline use
 - (i) Relationship to existing land use plans and to estimated population
 - (ii) Housing
 - (iii) Light and glare
 - (iv) Aesthetics
 - (v) Recreation
 - (vi) Historic and cultural preservation
 - (vii) Agricultural crops
 - (c) Transportation
 - (i) Transportation systems
 - (ii) Vehicular traffic
 - (iii) Waterborne, rail, and air traffic
 - (iv) Parking
 - (v) Movement/circulation of people or goods
 - (vi) Traffic hazards
 - (d) Public services and utilities
 - (i) Fire
 - (ii) Police
 - (iii) Schools
 - (iv) Parks or other recreational facilities
 - (v) Maintenance
 - (vi) Communications
 - (vii) Water/storm water
 - (viii) Sewer/solid waste

(ix) Other governmental services or utilities

(3) To simplify the EIS format, reduce paperwork and duplication, improve readability, and focus on the significant issues, some or all of the elements of the environment in WAC [197-11-444](#) may be combined.

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