

City of Spokane

Critical Materials Update – 2015

Briefing Paper

In section 17A four changes are proposed in the definitions section, 17A.020.030 AV, AW, and AX. A new definition for critical aquifer recharge areas is proposed to be added to 17A.020.030. Two changes are for updating the title of the division director of utilities. There is a change to reflect the critical materials list is a separate document from the critical materials manual. One definition was reworded to have a broader definition of who is responsible for identifying critical material activities. This change was made because the title of the responsible party changes. There are two proposed changes in 17A.020.160 AD and AE for the definitions of pollutant and pollution.

In section 17E, Environmental Standards, there are approximately 80 changes in 17E.010, Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas – Aquifer Protection.

The International Fire Code (IFC) is the basis for most of the regulations. To streamline the code language, sections that are referenced directly from the IFC were deleted. These are sections 250, 310, 330, 450, 500, and 520.

Deletions are also made in several other sections to remove duplicate language and improve readability. These include parts of sections 010, 040, 060, 090, 150, and 190, 210, 230, 290, 320, 420 and 440.

Language in Article IV, Aboveground Storage Tanks was revised to match the language in the corresponding sections of Article III, Underground Storage Tanks.

Grandfathering language from the 1980's was removed from sections 40 and 60.

Job position title changes are made to reflect the current practice in sections 95, 140 and 150.

In several sections language was added or reworded to clarify requirements and references. These include sections 90, 95, 190, 200, 210, 270, 290, 300, 340, 400, 470, 490, 530 and 560.

A sentence is added to section 050 allowing the critical review officer to waive these requirements where practical. This allows flexibility and streamlines permitting for applicable proposals.

In section 95 wording is added to acknowledge that Wastewater Management now allows building floor drains to be connected to the sewer collection system. Language is added to define the process for connecting to the sewer collection system.

In section 17G of the Spokane Municipal Code (SMC) a change is proposed to 17G.101.150 A26, Special Application Requirements for Commercial Building Permits. The section is reworded to clearly state the requirement and to recognize that some projects do not require a critical materials list.