

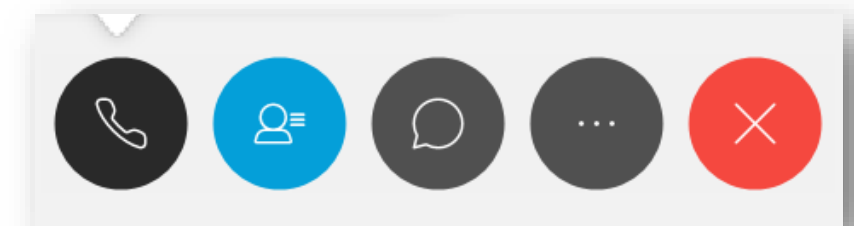
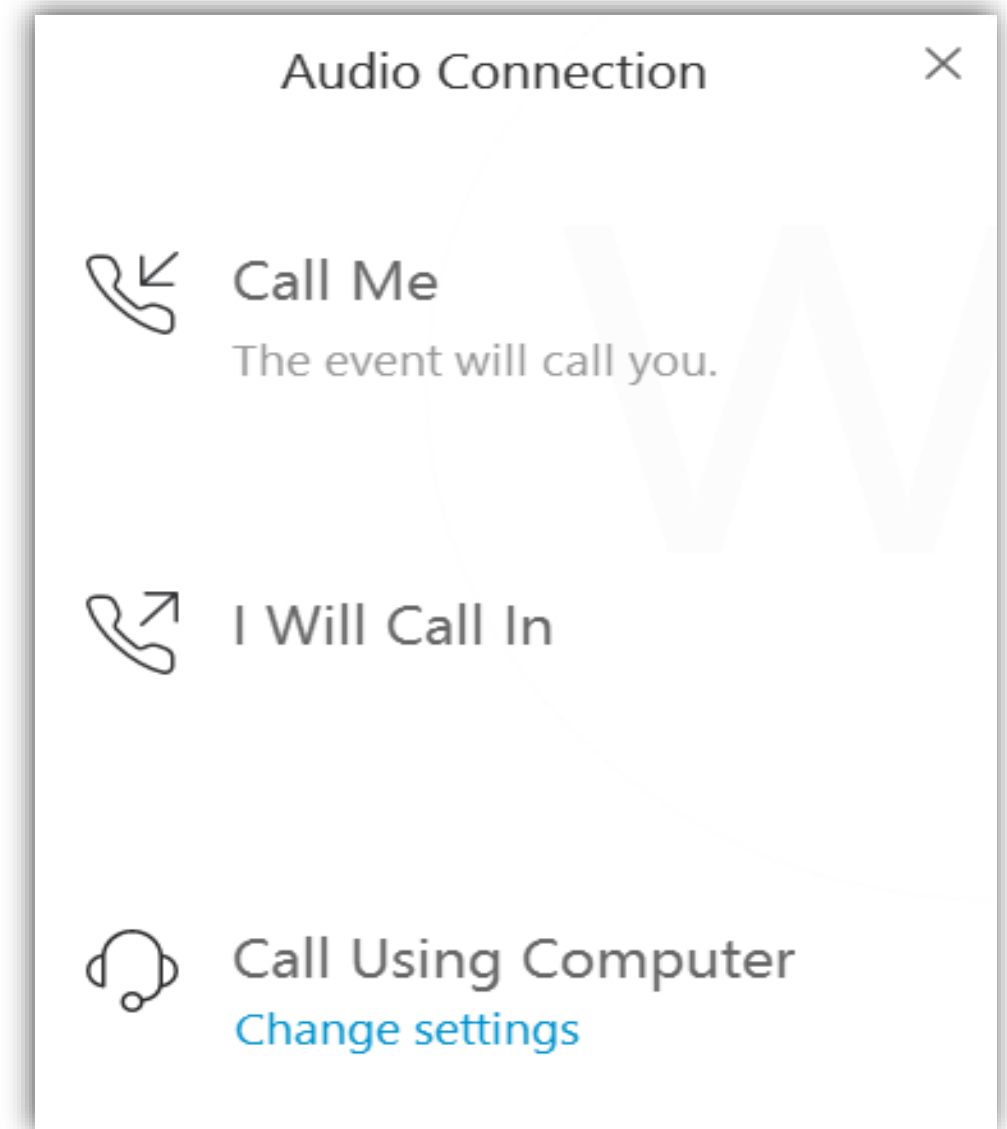
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Thank you for joining us!



Webinar Ground Rules

- Use respectful language
- Direct all inquiries or comments to Ecology, including:
 - Input on specific sections of the permit/language
 - Suggestions for any guidance needed
 - Questions on the proposed changes





Sand and Gravel General Permit Listening Session

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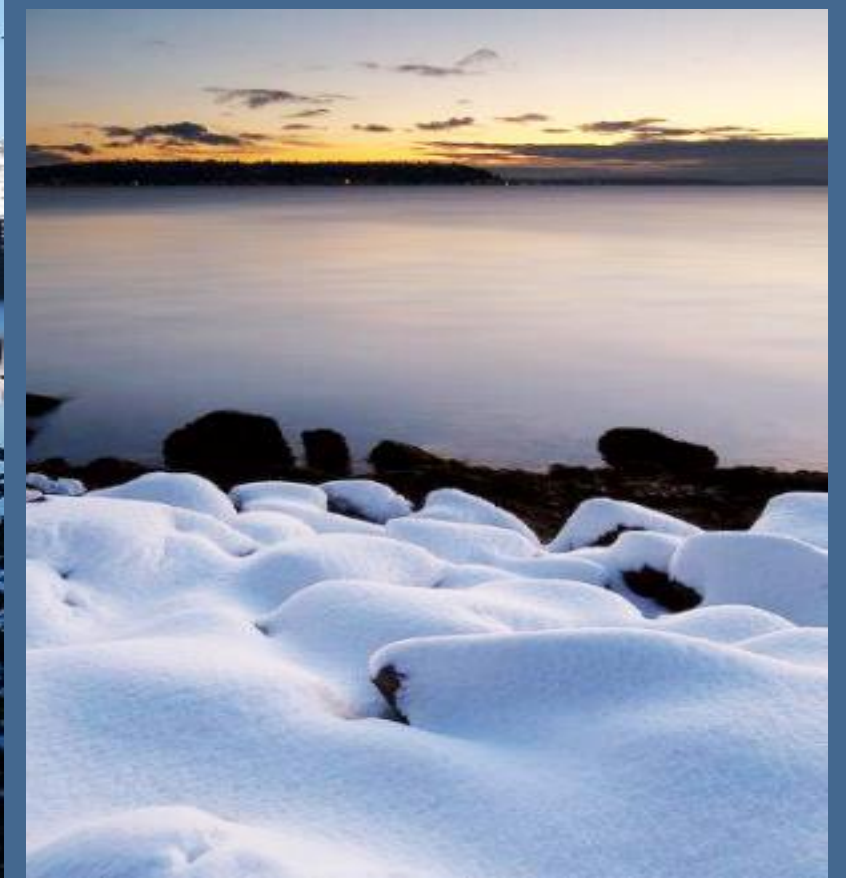
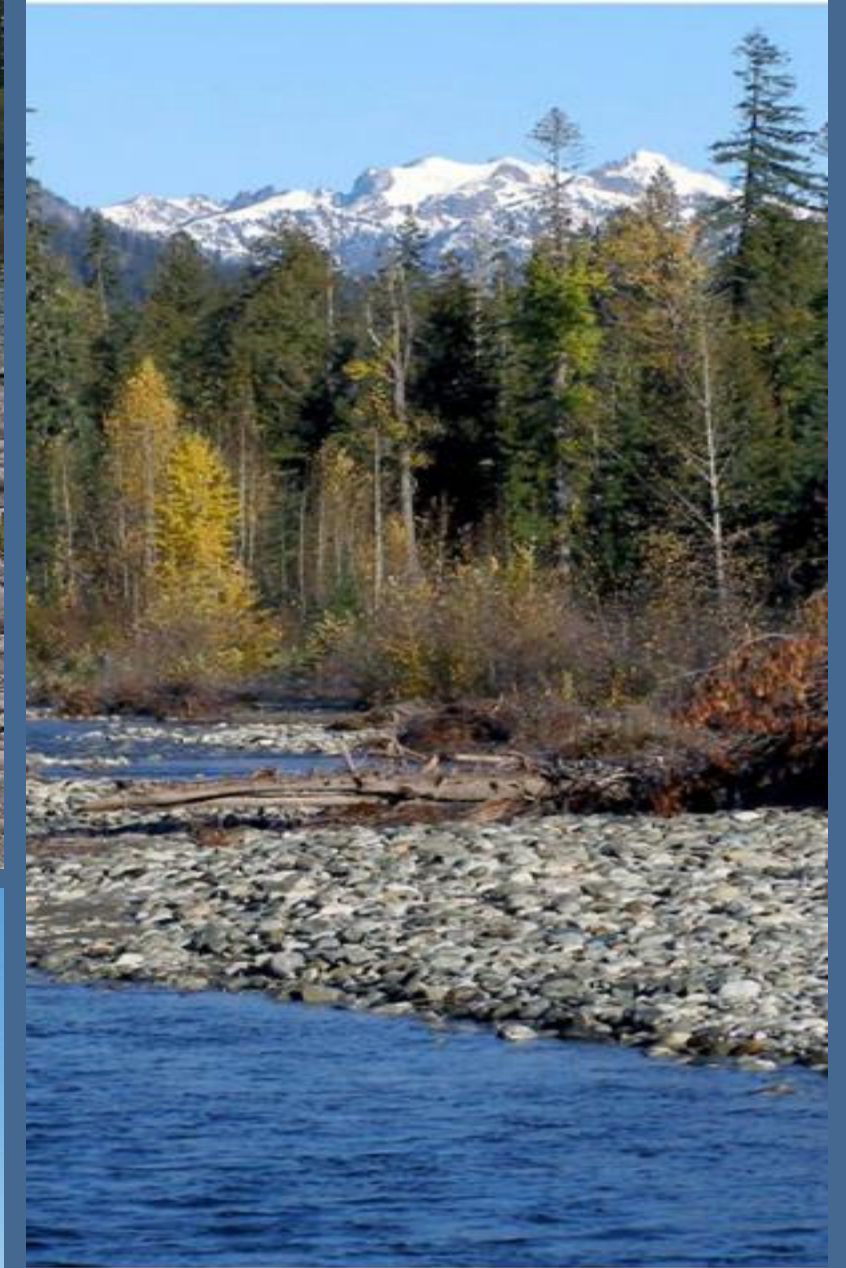
Mission and Vision

Our mission

Protect, preserve, and enhance Washington's environment for current and future generations.

Our vision

Our innovative partnerships sustain healthy land, air, and water in harmony with a strong economy.



Authority to Implement

Permit: conditional authorization to discharge

Federal: Clean Water Act (CWA)

- Discharge of pollutants to surface water from a point source

State: Water Pollution Control Act (RCW 90.48)

- Discharge of waste materials from commercial/industrial activity to waters of the state



Waters of the State

- Lakes
- Rivers
- Ponds
- Streams
- Inland waters
- Underground waters
- Salt waters
- Wetlands



Purpose of the Permit

- The S&G GP is an NPDES Permit and a State Waste Discharge permit which conditionally authorizes discharges of process water, mine dewatering water, and stormwater associated with sand and gravel activities
 - Sand & Gravel activities include sand and gravel operations, rock quarrying, similar mining facilities, concrete batch operations, hot mix asphalt operations, concrete recycling, and asphalt recycling
 - Used to control discharges as necessary to meet applicable Water Quality Standards

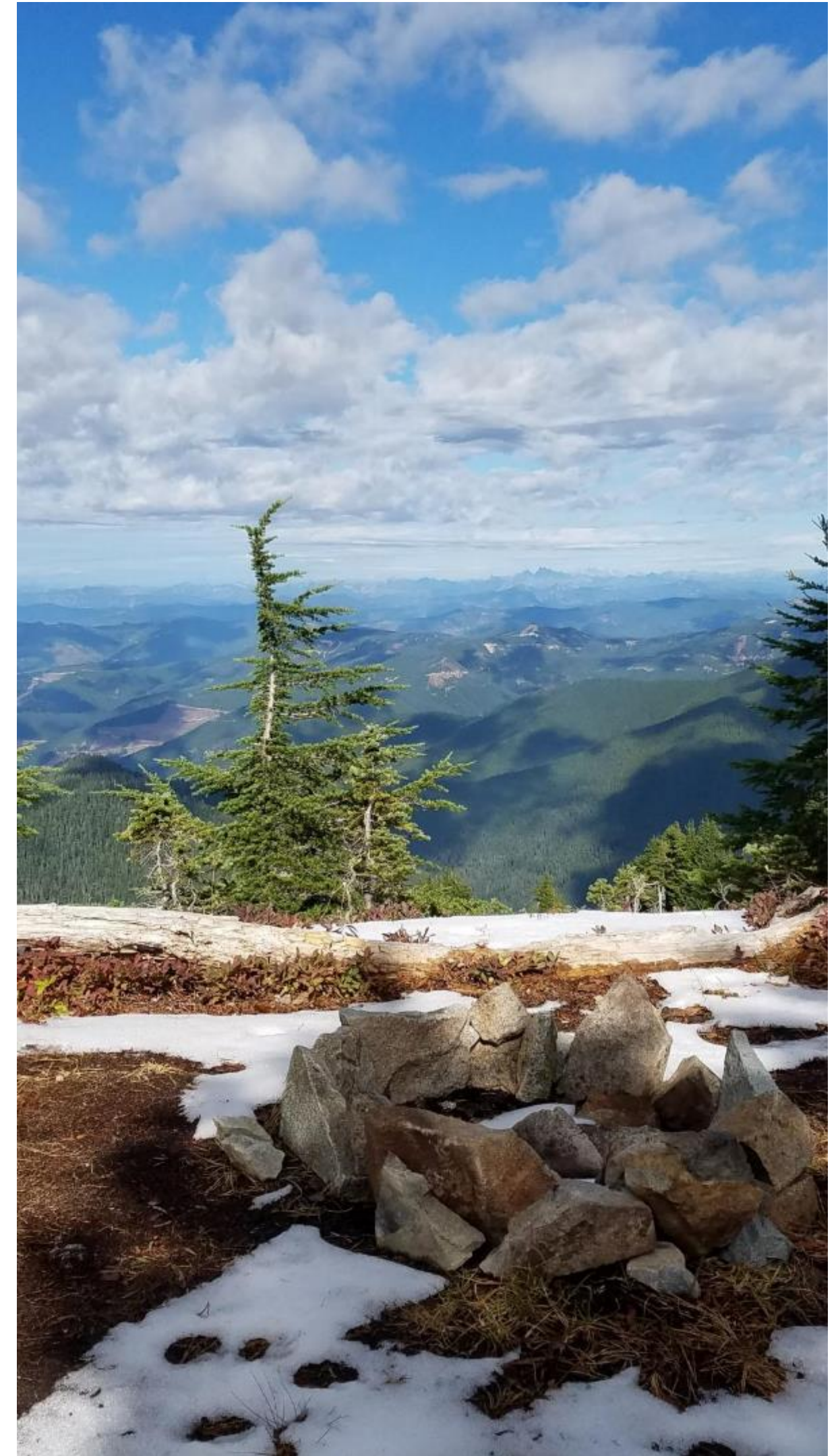


Why is Ecology Reissuing the Permit?

The Sand and Gravel General Permit was last issued in 2016 with a modification in 2018

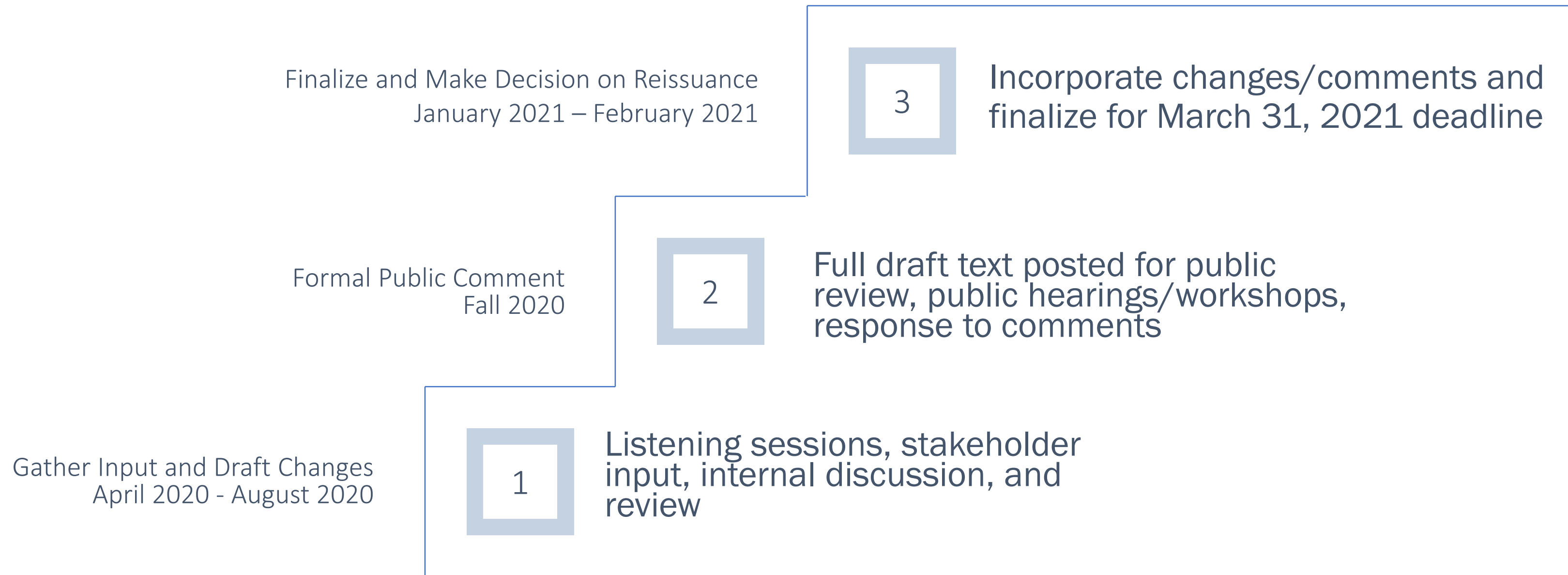
Current permit expires March 31, 2021 after 5 years

Federal requirement in the Clean Water Act that an NPDES permit be reissued after 5 years



Timeline

Major Milestones in Permit Reissuance



Proposed Changes



- Permit fees are handled in WAC 173-224, permit fee language removed from the permit
- Clarify language for “active” / “inactive” facilities
- Clarify and streamline language for permittee inspection requirements
- Issues identified in these listening sessions

What we hope to gather from you...

- Input on specific sections of the permit/language
- Suggestions for any guidance needed
- Questions on the proposed changes



Next Steps

- Review input and make draft changes
- Revised draft through internal review
- Draft posted for public comment
- Review formal comments and incorporate
- Make a reissuance decision on the revised permit



Thank you for joining us!



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