

Wetlands on your property can be difficult to identify.



Seasonal streams and wet, marshy areas may be protected by local, state and federal laws.

Before starting a project

Contact your local planning department about potential permit requirements for draining, re-routing or filling stream and wetland areas.



Some agricultural practices may be exempt from permit requirements but you should always check with local planning to confirm.

Getting the right permits for the job before you start ensures environmental protection and helps you avoid potential fines.

Wetlands and seasonal streams provide many benefits to your property including

- ◆ Flood and erosion control
- ◆ Ground water recharge
- ◆ Water filtration
- ◆ Wildlife habitat
- ◆ Recreational opportunities



We can help

Ecology staff can provide technical assistance for identifying wetland areas on your property.

Ecology Wetlands Contacts:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/wetlands/contacts.htm>

Or call the
Central Regional Office
at (509) 575-2490



Accommodation Requests:

To request ADA accommodation including materials in a format for the visually impaired, call Ecology, at (509) 575-2490

Persons with impaired hearing may call Washington Relay Service at 711.

Persons with speech disability may call TTY at (877) 833-6341