

Potential Type Np Buffer Rulemaking Timeline February 9, 2022

Initial Steps

Policy development of Type Np buffer alternatives

Board receipt of Type Np Water buffer alternative(s):

Consensus Policy recommendation, or;

Minority/majority caucus reports.

Board approves a Type Np Water buffer alternative



Rule Development for Board Approval to Initiate Rule Making **(CR-102)**

DNR staff begin working on rulemaking documents:

- Rule language
- Board Manual guidance
- CBA and associated SBEIS
- SEPA

Ecology initiates process to determine if Tier II analysis needs to be completed. If needed, Ecology plans to have Tier II completed and presented at same time as rulemaking packet



Rule Development for Board Approval to Initiate Rule Making (CR-102)

Convene stakeholder process to develop:

- Rule language (3 months)
- Board Manual guidance (6 – 9 months after completion of rule language)

Advertise and secure GIS contract for spatial analysis of alternatives; then

DNR conducts analysis establishing value of additional buffer trees for each alternative (5 months)

CBA/SBEIS development: (11 months)

- DNR convenes an economic advisory group to help determine qualitative and quantitative elements for CBA and SBEIS
- Advertise and secure economist contract and complete preliminary CBA/SBEIS

Complete SEPA analysis (14 months)



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Board receives and approves Type Np Water buffer rule package (CR-102)

- State Register
- Public Hearings
- Concise Explanatory Statement (CES)

Board adopts Type Np Water buffer rule (CR-103) and approves BM guidance

It will take at least 18 months to develop and adopt Type Np Water buffer rule.



Questions

