

**WAC 173-157-100 What should I know before I apply?** (1) You must assess potential impacts to the hydrogeologic system and the environment prior to submitting your application. If your application does not describe the general setting and conditions with sufficient information for the department to assess the application, the department may require you to perform a detailed feasibility study. This feasibility study should reduce uncertainty of the impacts, and better quantify the available storage capacity of the aquifer.

(2) To further reduce uncertainty, you must design a pilot phase for the project, to be used to collect data that will be used to validate the conceptual model, monitor efficacy, and adjust the monitoring, operation, and mitigation plans based upon results. The duration of this phase will be determined by the complexity of the project and stated within the reservoir permit.

(3) You may schedule a preapplication meeting with the department to discuss the project plan and likely requirements for monitoring and mitigation.

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