

**WAC 332-16-065 Conversion of a prospecting lease to a mining contract.** An application to convert a prospecting lease to a mining contract must be submitted to the department at least one hundred eighty days prior to the expiration of the prospecting lease, together with the application fee.

The application shall include a plan of development which describes the development, operation and reclamation of the property, an environmental checklist and evidence that the prospecting work requirements of the lease have been met.

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