

 <p>THURSTON COUNTY <i>Washington</i> Est. 1852</p> <p>Public Health & Social Services POLICY</p>	Policy Title Representative Rainy Season	
	Number ONST.20.POL.843	Effective Date 12/28/2023
	Latest Approval Date 11/02/2007	Approved By Season Long
	Next Review Date 06/21/2029	
POLICY INTENT		
Purpose	This policy will be used to determine a representative rainy season for a wet season study.	
Scope	Insert "Organization Wide" or list the impacted office(s)/department(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Internal Only <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Impact to Citizens	
Are Office/Department Documents on this subject permitted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, the policy clarifies regulations used only by the Environmental Health Division (Article IV and WAC 246-272A).	<input type="checkbox"/> No
POLICY STATEMENT		
<p>1: <u>A representative season can be determined by the Environmental Health Division using:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The storm events defined in these policies. b. The total accumulated rainfall in the rainy season defined in these policies. c. The patterns of the rainfall precipitation totals for each-month in the defined rainy season. Rainfall patterns can be determined by using data from National Weather Service Forecast Office, Olympia Station. d. The field results obtained during the study period. <p>2. <u>Rainfall that maintains an average precipitation total for each month during the rainy season can be considered a representative season. Rainy Season is December through March.</u></p> <p>3. <u>Rainfall that does not maintain an average precipitation total for December through March can be evaluated to determine a representative season by:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Using a combination of site-specific physical characteristics and the soil profile. b. Evaluating the rainfall data to determine if the soil hydrologic response has been adequately addressed. See ONST.20.GUI.843. <p>4. <u>The protocol listed in 3 shall not be applied to a Wet Season Study for deep trench systems or surface water.</u></p> <p>5. <u>In the event it is a non-representative season. the applicant may re-submit an application with applicable fees the next wet season study.</u></p>		
DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS		
Insert Term	Insert definition and expand any acronyms used. Add extra rows as necessary. Put in alphabetical order.	
RELEVANT LAWS AND OTHER SUPPORTING INFORMATION		
County Code	Thurston County Sanitary Code Article IV – On Site Sewage Regulations	
State Law	WAC246-272A	
State Rule		
Other Sources		
Supporting Documents	N/A	
Related Documents	ONST.20.POL.840	

	ONST.20.POL.841 ONST.20.POL.842 ONST.20.PRO.840 ONST.20.GUI.840 ONST.20.GUI.843 Technical Guidelines	
Communication and Implementation Strategy	The Policy Administrator will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • coordinate the review of the Office/Department Documents to ensure consistency • Send signed updated policy to OSS Professionals and Staff through Constant Contact e-mail • Post signed updated policy to Division's OSS Professionals webpage and PHSS intranet site 	
POLICY ADMINISTRATION		
Policy Owner	Steve Petersen Program Manager, EH Division	
Contact Person (if different from above)	Season Long, Environmental Health Division Director	
Roles and Responsibilities	Laura Blakely	Policy Administrator
REVISION HISTORY		
Effective Date	Approved By	Modifications
12/28/2023	 Season Long /EH Division Director	Update only to ONST.07.POL.843
Xx/xx/xxxx	_____ Name/Title	Indicate what changed
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Reviewers of the Current Revision	Brad Sangston/EHS II _____ Name/Title	_____ Name/Title
	Steve Davies /EHS II _____ Name/Title	_____ Name/Title
	_____ Name/Title	_____ Name/Title

FURTHER INFORMATION	
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Keywords for search engine	County-wide Policy will be housed within the Policy Framework Repository on Share Point. Include keywords to assist location using the 'search' function.