



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
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Agency: : Washington State Department of Commerce (COM) and the Public Works Board.

Subject of possible rule making: Modification to existing Washington Administrative Code: 399 - Department of Commerce (Public Works Board); to include reference to new grant and loan opportunities associated with Senate Bill 5511-Broadband Internet Service Access. This bill requires the Public Works Board (PWB), in collaboration with the new Broadband Office, to establish and administer a competitive grant and loan program to promote expanding access to broadband service in unserved areas of the state.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 43.155.040(5) adopt rules under chapter 34.05 RCW as necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The Public Works Board has a new system: Senate Bill 5511-Broadband Internet Service Access to the new WAC 399-80. In addition to update the WAC to include section 399-80, to include legislature updates on RCW 43.155 that occurred during 2019.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: N/A

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Following regular rule making process

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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