

Goal 4 Promote Healthy and Safe Environments

Objective 1: Promote environmental health in urban, suburban, rural, and recreational environments.

- Monitor On-site sewage systems operations and improvements
- Control Zoonotic diseases
- Promote safe and reliable drinking water systems
- Convene other state agencies and partners to address environmental issues
- Support efforts to reduce exposure to environmental toxics and toxins.

Objective 2: Promote School Environments that protect health

- Assess and improve school environmental health and safety rules
- Engage local health jurisdictions, OSPI, and school districts to cooperatively strengthen efforts to improve EH and safety in schools.
- Support and advance efforts to improve school safety (e.g. emergency preparedness and response)

Objective 3: Monitor the health effects of climate change

- Adjust rules for effects on water systems, sewage systems, food supply and zoonotic effects
- Monitor health effects (need for cooling, stress, health disparities) associated with climate change

Previous Plan Activities Not Carried Out:

- Adopt rules for on-site sewage system drainfield remediation technologies under chapter 246-272A WAC.
- Hold briefing on school health and safety issues—such as bullying, public safety, and emergency preparedness—that are outside the scope of the Board’s environmental rules.