



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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**Agency:** 468 Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office

**Subject of possible rule making:** The Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office commences this inquiry to consider possible corrections and changes to certain sections of Chapter 242-03 WAC, the Growth Management Hearings Board's (GMHB) procedural rules governing the conduct of business before the GMHB, including rules governing formal proceedings.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 36.70A.270

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The GMHB's last review of Chapter 242-03 WAC was in 2023. Since these rules became effective in 2023, GMHB board members and interested persons who conduct business for the GMHB have identified areas to improve and clarify within the GMHB's procedural rules in Chapter 242-03 WAC. Based on the areas needing review, the GMHB finds it appropriate to initiate this rulemaking to review its procedural rules.

**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) The Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office will provide opportunity to provide will ask for initial comments, may schedule one or more workshops, and will provide the opportunity to provide additional written comments on draft rules and proposed CR-102 prior to adoption.

**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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