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CR-103P (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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WSR 25-12-064

Agency: Washington State Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

- \boxtimes 31 days after filing.
- Other (specify) _____ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule? \Box Yes \boxtimes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Adds new sections with procedures regarding the board's handling of confidential and exempt information and issuing protective orders; updates language to be gender neutral; adds new section and amends sections related to consolidation of appeals to align with recent changes to RCW 90.58.180; removes the requirement that settlement agreements be submitted to the board upon requesting a dismissal due to settlement; amends a section and adds a new section to give clarity on requirements for filing exhibits.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New: 461-08-381; 461-08-411; 461-08-476; 461-08-491

Repealed:

Amended: 461-08-340; 461-08-350; 461-08-385; 461-08-410; 461-08-465; 461-08-475 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 43.21B.170; RCW 90.58.175

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as <u>WSR 25-07-077</u> on March 17, 2025 (date). Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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| Other alternative rule making: | New | | Amended | | Repealed | _ |
| Date Adopted: May 30, 2025 | : | Signature: | | | | |
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