

**WAC 173-308-280 Requirements for facilities storing biosolids or sewage sludge.** (1) Facilities storing biosolids or sewage sludge under a local, state, or federal water pollution control permit or another environmental permit and facilities conducting temporary, small-scale storage as defined in WAC 173-308-080 are exempt from this section if the department determines that the standards in subsection (3) of this section are being met.

(2) Facilities other than those in subsection (1) of this section storing biosolids or sewage sludge must do so in accordance with the provisions of a permit issued under this chapter.

(3) Biosolids or sewage sludge may not be stored in a manner that would be likely to result in the contamination of groundwater, surface water, air, or land under current conditions or in the case of fire or flood.

(4) Facilities existing on July 1, 2007, storing liquid biosolids or sewage sludge in surface impoundments must meet the requirements for the design, construction, and operation of surface impoundments in chapter 173-304 WAC or the standards in chapter 173-350 WAC.

(5) After July 1, 2007, new facilities proposing to store biosolids or sewage sludge in surface impoundments, facilities that are proposing a new surface impoundment, and facilities that are proposing to upgrade existing surface impoundments must meet the requirements for the design, construction, and operation of surface impoundments in chapter 173-350 WAC.

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