WAC 468-51-060 Application requirements and procedures. This rule shall be used where the department is the permitting authority. Where the local governmental entity is the permitting authority, the applicable procedures of the local governmental entity must be followed. If the local governmental entity has no procedures then this rule may apply.

(1) Connection permit application and information. The appropriate application form and the application information are available from the designated local department offices. An application shall consist of the above form; application fee, as specified in WAC 468-51-070; plans; traffic data; and connection information specified in this section.

All connection and roadway design documents for Category II and III permits shall bear the seal and signature of a professional engineer, registered in accordance with chapter 18.43 RCW.

(2) Information required - all permits. The following information is required of all applicants for all permit categories, unless the department determines that specific information will not be required on individual applications. Additional information required of Category II, III, and IV permit applications is specified in this chapter.

In all cases it would be prudent, prior to submittal of the application, for the applicant to inquire of the department whether the application needs additional information. The department reserves the right to request clarification or additional information during the application review process. Failure to provide the requested information within the time limits specified in the request shall result in withdrawal of the permit application.

(a) Identification and signature of property owner and applicant. The current complete names, mailing addresses, and telephone numbers of the property owner(s), the developer(s), the applicant, the transportation and legal consultants representing the applicant (if any), and the local government representative(s) responsible for processing the development’s approval shall be provided as part of the application. If the property owner desires to have a representative sign the application, a notarized letter of authorization from the applicant is to be provided with the application. When the owner or applicant is a company, corporation, or other public agency, the name, address, and telephone number of the responsible officer shall be furnished. The names of all individuals signing the application and their titles shall be typed or printed directly below the signature.

(b) Property uses and traffic information. The ultimate planned property uses shall be indicated in sufficient detail to determine the appropriate permit classification. Estimated average weekday vehicle trip ends to be generated by the development, based on the planned property use, consistent with the latest trip generation information published by the Institute of Transportation Engineers, Washington, D.C., (ITE) shall be included as appropriate. If local or special trip generation rates are used, instead of the ITE rates the latest and best information shall be used and all documentation for the rate development shall be submitted with the application. For residential developments with ten or fewer units, ten trips per day per unit may be assumed. The requirement for an average weekday vehicle trip ends estimate may be waived for agricultural uses where no retail marketing is proposed.

(c) Site plan. The application shall include a plan to scale, or a schematic drawing showing critical dimensions (allowable on Category I permits only), the location of the property, and existing conditions.
and the character and extent of work proposed. The location of existing and proposed on-site development with respect to the existing and proposed driveway location(s) and the highway shall be shown. Minimum information on the plan shall include:

(i) Road information.
- State route number.
- County or local road name.
- Highway pavement type.
- Cross section.
- Posted speed limit.

- The existence and location of any existing and/or future proposed public or private road abutting or entering the property; the horizontal and vertical curvature of the road(s) noting the location of existing and proposed connections and any other pertinent information.

(ii) Property information.
- Location of all existing and proposed buildings, and other structures, such as gasoline pumps, lights, trees, etc., with respect to the existing and proposed property and right of way lines.
- Any adjacent properties that are owned or controlled by the applicant, or in which the applicant has a financial interest, and indicate whether these properties will be accessed by means of the proposed connection(s).
- Proof of legal ownership or legal easement.

- The application shall include a boundary survey. The requirement for a boundary survey may be waived for Category I connections, at the discretion of the department.
- Any existing or proposed parcels segregated from the applicant's property for separate development also shall be clearly designated on the plan.

(iii) Connection location information.
- The proposed connection milepost and highway engineer's station, if available.
- Location of the highway centerline with respect to existing and proposed property lines.
- Distance of proposed public or private access connection to intersecting roads, streets, railroads.
- Existing or proposed median openings (crossovers) and connections on all sides of the state highway and other roads within six hundred sixty feet of the proposed connection location in urban areas and one thousand three hundred twenty feet in nonurban (rural) areas.
- Location of existing or proposed public or private retaining walls, fences, poles, sidewalks, bike paths, drainage structures and easements, traffic control devices, fire hydrants, utilities, or other physical features, such as trees, landscaping, green belts, and wetlands, that could affect driveway location.
- It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to physically identify the location of the proposed connection at the proposed site.

(iv) Connection design information.
- Proposed connection and approach improvements including its profile approaching the state highway, width, radii, angle to the highway, auxiliary pavement.
- Existing and proposed grading (or contouring that affects the natural drainage pattern or runoff impacting the state highway and the proposed connection).
- Drainage calculations and other pertinent data.
• Driveway, auxiliary lanes and crossover pavement design, including subgrade, base, surface materials, and thicknesses.
• Specific requirements for design information on individual Category I permit applications may be relaxed, or waived, at the discretion of the department.

(v) Joint driveway use.
• If the driveway is to serve more than one property, the plan shall detail information for all properties using the connection and the application shall include copies of legally enforceable agreements of concurrence for all property owners on joint driveway usage.
• Joint driveway use serving adjoining properties is encouraged on all highways and may be required on some highways, in compliance with rules adopted by the department.

(3) Additional information required, Category II and Category III permits. The following is a list of additional information that may be required for each phase of the development from the applicant. Prior to the submittal of the application, the applicant shall coordinate with the appropriate designated local office of the department on the level of detail and the analysis techniques to be used.

(a) Circulation plans. All parking, interior drives, and internal traffic circulation plans.

(b) Connection users. All internal and external adjacent parcels which will use the requested connection. All existing and proposed connecting roadways and potential means of alternate access through the final buildout stage of development shall be shown on the plans submitted with the application.

(c) Traffic control devices and illumination. Proposed traffic control devices and lighting locations.

(d) Sight distance. Analysis of horizontal and vertical sight distance on the state highway with respect to the proposed connection.

(e) Traffic data and analysis. Traffic data submitted by the applicant shall be signed and sealed by a qualified professional engineer, registered in accordance with chapter 18.43 RCW. The following traffic study information may be required:

(i) Turning movements. Vehicle turning movements for present and future traffic conditions.

(ii) Volume and type. Amount and type of traffic that will be generated by the proposed development including a breakdown of anticipated peak hour traffic and an analysis of the impact on the level of service on the state highway.

(iii) Parking and circulation. Analysis of off-street parking and traffic circulation, including distances to secondary access points on the connection roadway and their impact on the operation of the state highway.

(iv) Traffic signal data. If a traffic signal is requested, the following studies may be required: Traffic signal warrants; phasing and timing analysis; signal progression analysis; signalization, signing, and lighting plans in compliance with department standards. A separate department traffic signal permit is required.

(v) Offsite improvements. A traffic analysis to determine the need for offsite related roadway and geometric improvements and mitigation requirements.

(vi) Traffic control plan. A traffic control plan conforming to current department standards set forth in the "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices," documenting how the permit holder will provide for safe and efficient movement on the state highway system during the construction of the connection.
(4) Additional information required, Category IV permits. Permit applications must contain the specific dates that the connection is to be open and must contain assurances acceptable to the department that the shoulder, curbing, sidewalks, bikeways, ditch, right of way, and any other amenities will be restored to their original condition at the permit holder's expense upon closure of the temporary connection.

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