

The County Engineer and the Road Fund

AGENDA / Workbook

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CRAB WACs	
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RCW 34.05 – Administrative Procedure Act

- "Agency" means any state board, commission, department, institution of higher education, or officer, authorized by law to make rules ...
- "Rule" means any agency order, directive, or regulation ...

In order for CRAB to comply with RCW 36.78.070, together with assurance of a county's compliance with a variety of other statutory requirements, CRAB has adopted WAC rules providing guidance and minimum procedural requirements.

CRAB's primary administrative relationship is with the County Engineer, with its regulatory review and acceptance based on "reasonable compliance". (There are 39 versions of this)

- WAC 136-01 thru -04 – CRAB general organization and policies
- WAC 136-11 thru -70 – Standards of Good Practice
 - 136-11 – (maintenance management)
 - 136-12 – (County Engineer vacancy)
 - 136-14 – (priority programming)
 - 136-15 – (six-year program)
 - 136-16 – (annual construction program)
 - 136-18 – (county forces construction)
 - 136-20 – (inspection of bridges)
 - 136-28 – (accident reports)
 - 136-40 – (accommodation of utilities)
 - 136-50 – (adoption of written policies)
 - 136-60 – (county road logs)
 - 136-70 – (pavement management)
- WAC 136-100 thru -210 – Rural Arterial Program
- WAC 136-300 – County Arterial Preservation Program
- WAC 136-400 – County Ferry Capital Improvement Program

Notes:

	Overhead & ER&R	
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RCW 43.09.210 - Local government accounting -- Separate accounts for each fund or activity

- Can't transfer dedicated funds without a benefit or service to that fund
- In order to be equitable, the interfund charges must be:
 - Only for the cost of the services actually provided
 - Only for each fund/department's proportionate share
 - Calculated using measurable, logical and documented allocation factors that are current, accurate, and applied to all funds/departments in the same fashion

ER&R Fund is an Internal Service Fund

- RCW 36.33A – Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund
 - Fund shall be created and used for county road department
 - May be used for management of other county assets
 - Rates for all ER&R equipment assets shall be determined by the county engineer, subject to annual review by the legislative body
- Contributed capital to be managed for the benefit of the source department
- Requires 100% recovery of:
 - all costs to manage contributed capital until fully consumed or otherwise disposed of
 - OR ---
 - all costs to manage contributed capital plus adequate fund contributions for future asset replacement
- Requires adequate accounting to report asset status and cash equity held by ER&R on behalf of each participating department and fund.
 - "... If the contributed nonmonetary assets were originally acquired with restricted resources, the government must monitor their usage and disposal to assure that one fund does not benefit from another ..." (BARS Manual))

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