

The City's Spill Response within City limits is established under the Emergency Support Function (ESF) #10 in the CEMP. The lead agency is the Washington State Patrol with support from the Fire Department. The Washington State Patrol has been designated as the Incident Command Agency for hazardous materials. Support agencies to ESF #10 are: Fire Department, Mutual Aid Fire Departments and Districts, Police Department, Washington State Department of Ecology, and the Department of Transportation. Depending on the nature of the spill, the Fire Department may assume the lead role.

7.1 Checklist for Spills or Incidents in Wellhead Protection Areas

Appendix D has a checklist for short-term, mid-term and long-term response to spills in wellhead protection areas related to the operation of the wells and shutdown protocol. Emergency phone numbers and radio frequencies are provided in Appendix D as well.

7.2 Recommendations for Updates ESF #10

It is recommended that the spill and incident response plans be reviewed or updated at least every two years (DOH 2010). Clarification of roles and coordination with Washington State Patrol, as the designated Incident Command Agency for hazardous materials, should be revisited annually.

- Because the I-5 corridor extends through the middle of the City and is within the wellhead protection area, it is recommended that enough absorbents are on hand or are within a short distance from the I-5 corridor.
- Signage on I-5 regarding the presence of a wellhead protection area should be developed in conjunction with WSDOT.
- The Appendix D water system emergency checklists should part of Water System Operator training for City of Tumwater water system employees, and should be shared with water system managers at the City of Olympia and Thurston County.
- Spill response as it relates to aquifer protection and water system integrity should be included in all emergency management exercises that the City participates in.
- The City should conduct a spill history analysis for Interstate-5 and the Regional Airport to evaluate the potential for PFC's in groundwater.

