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# Rule Updates

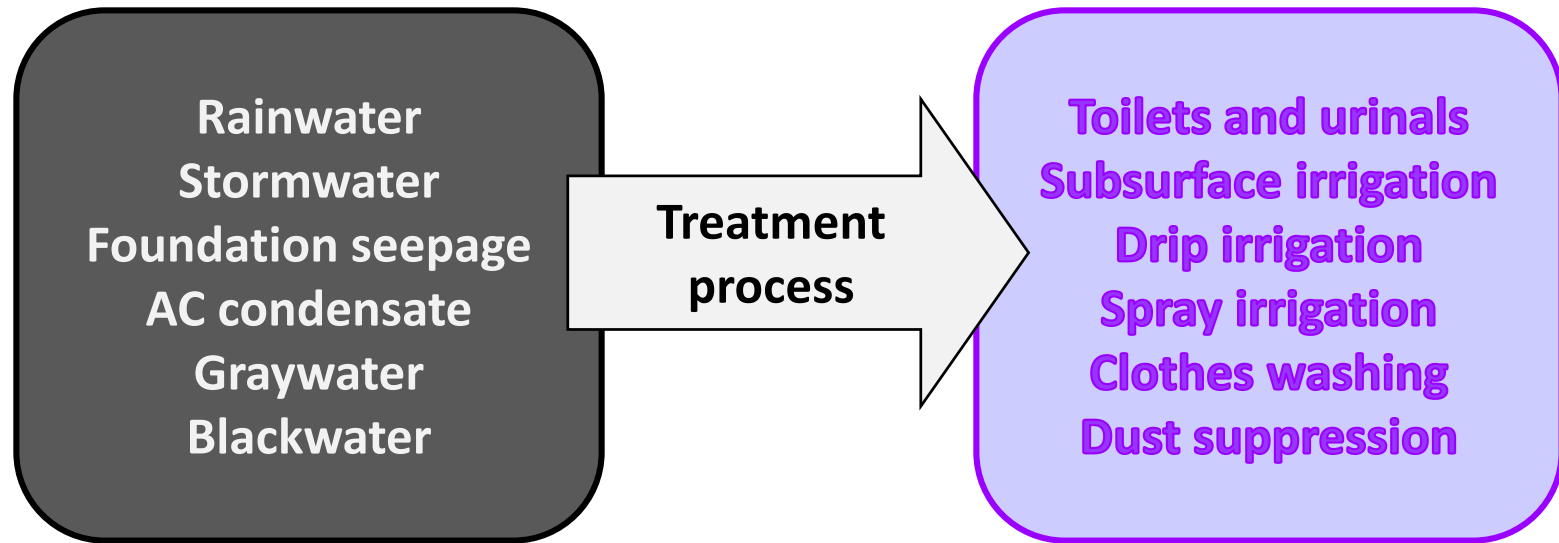
- 💧 SHB 2246 Title 70 RCW Updates
- 💧 ESHB 1184 Onsite Nonpotable Water Systems
- 💧 Lead and Copper Rule Revisions
- 💧 Coming soon: operator certification word change

# Title 70 RCW Updates

- 💧 Rulemaking required due to SHB 2246
- 💧 New Title 70A RCW *Environmental health and safety* created
- 💧 Only technical changes; just updating the references.

# Onsite Nonpotable Water Systems (ONWS)

- 💧 Rulemaking required due to ESHB 1184



- 💧 ONWS must **connect** to a public water system, **protect** from cross-connections, and **employ** a certified operator

# Lead and Copper Rule Revisions

- 💧 EPA is pursuing additional rulemaking.
- 💧 In the short term we will focus on:
  - 💧 Lead service line inventory
  - 💧 Corrosion control treatment
- 💧 Limited delegated rulemaking will be pursued for focus areas
- 💧 Brietta Carter has been appointed to lead the implementation team

# Soon: Operator Certification Rule Revision

- 💧 Rulemaking is required to remove a racially charged word (“Grandparented”) from the regulation.
- 💧 For instance, “legacy” has the same meaning, but does not bear the historical connotations.
- 💧 This is a technical change; the underlying regulatory structure is unaffected.
- 💧 Waiting for Title 70 RCW update to finish.

