

**I. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (5%)** – Apply pertinent federal and /or state regulations to hydrogeologist practice.

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| <p>T1. Identify need to perform a contamination assessment based on legal/regulatory requirements.</p> <p>T2. Identify water rights implications from groundwater information.</p> <p>T3. Apply knowledge of rules and regulations as it relates to the practice of hydrogeology.</p> | <p>K1. Knowledge of regulations pertaining to water rights and water law in Washington.</p> <p>K2. Knowledge of pertinent health and safety regulations.</p> <p>K3. Knowledge of federal and state water quality standards.</p> <p>K4. Knowledge of state regulations pertaining to groundwater protection.</p> <p>K5. Knowledge of state regulations pertaining to well construction/decommissioning.</p> <p>K6. Knowledge of reporting requirements for release to the environment.</p> <p>K7. Knowledge of state regulations for site investigation and remediation.</p> |

**II. PROJECT PLANNING (20%)** - Establish project objectives and develop scope of hydrogeologic work.

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| <p>T4. Identify needs for water supply protection.</p> <p>T5. Identify needs for water supply (groundwater and/or soil restoration/remediation).</p> <p>T6. Identify groundwater management issues and alternatives.</p> <p>T7. Identify potential sources of water supply.</p> <p>T8. Identify water resource impacts on designated beneficial use.</p> <p>T9. Develop a conceptual hydrogeologic model.</p> <p>T10. Identify need for control of groundwater flow direction or head relevant to engineered controls.</p> <p>T11. Identify consequences of changes to water table or potentiometric surface.</p> <p>T12. Identify existing site conditions that may constrain investigation approach.</p> <p>T13. Prepare schedule and identify location for soil and/or groundwater remediation.</p> <p>T14. Identify type, collection methods, quantity and quality of data needed to achieve project objectives.</p> <p>T15. Develop a groundwater investigation work plan.</p> | <p>K8. Knowledge of methods to develop conceptual hydrogeologic models.</p> <p>K9. Knowledge of general hydrogeology of Washington.</p> <p>K10. Knowledge of the hydrologic cycle.</p> <p>K11. Knowledge of drainage basin definitions.</p> <p>K12. Knowledge of techniques and procedures used for water budget evaluations.</p> <p>K13. Knowledge of effects of hydrogeologic facies on groundwater flow.</p> <p>K14. Knowledge of principles of groundwater flow pertaining to confined and unconfined aquifers.</p> <p>K15. Knowledge of sources of hydrogeologic data and their meanings.</p> <p>K16. Knowledge of types and sources of contaminants associated with specific categories of land use and industrial processes.</p> <p>K17. Knowledge of effects of existing site conditions on field studies.</p> <p>K18. Knowledge of the interaction between groundwater and surface water.</p> <p>K19. Knowledge of groundwater and/or soil restoration/remediation cleanup goals.</p> <p>K20. Knowledge of methods to evaluate natural attenuation in groundwater.</p> <p>K21. Knowledge of chemical and biochemical transformations of contaminants.</p> <p>K22. Knowledge of physical and chemical properties of contaminants affecting fate and transport.</p> <p>K23. Knowledge of different types of wells.</p> <p>K24. Knowledge of techniques to construct wells.</p> <p>K25. Knowledge of techniques to site wells.</p> <p>K26. Knowledge of well construction techniques that prevent cross-contamination.</p> <p>K27. Knowledge of methods to develop well fields for groundwater production.</p> <p>K28. Knowledge of drilling techniques and construction practices for different types of wells.</p> <p>K29. Knowledge of permits required for hydrogeologic investigations.</p> <p>K30. Knowledge of techniques to interpret aerial photographs, maps and datums.</p> <p>K31. Knowledge health and safety requirements for conducting field work.</p> <p>K32. Knowledge of elements of groundwater monitoring programs.</p> <p>K33. Knowledge of quantity and quality of data necessary to achieve project objectives.</p> <p>K34. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of different groundwater and vadose zone and modeling techniques.</p> <p>K35. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of different site investigation methods.</p> <p>K36. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of different field sample collection methods.</p> <p>K37. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of different field methods to measure water quality parameters.</p> <p>K38. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of different geophysical investigation techniques.</p> <p>K39. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of laboratory methods to determine chemical concentrations in soil, rock, water, gas and waste samples.</p> <p>K40. Knowledge of advantages and disadvantages of laboratory methods to determine physical properties of soil, rock, water, gas and waste samples</p> <p>K41. Knowledge of pertinent sources of historical data.</p> |

**III. DATA ACQUISITION (24%)** – Perform surface and subsurface exploration and document groundwater conditions.

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| <p>T16. Identify previous land uses and conditions from photographs, topographic maps, and other available historical sources.</p> <p>T17. Identify the applicable data for hydrogeologic analysis by reviewing existing documents, records, maps, and well logs.</p> <p>T18. Evaluate the physical condition and construction of existing wells.</p> <p>T19. Verify current conditions and site features in the field.</p> <p>T20. Collect soil, rock, and soil gas samples to evaluate surface and subsurface conditions.</p> <p>T21. Prepare field notes, boring logs and well construction details to document surface and subsurface conditions.</p> <p>T22. Prepare field notes to document sample collection, site conditions and deviations from work plan.</p> <p>T23. Collect samples of sediment or waste to evaluate soil or groundwater conditions.</p> <p>T24. Collect samples of groundwater or surface water to evaluate groundwater conditions.</p> <p>T25. Identify lithology, stratigraphy, structure, changes in moisture, water levels, and other properties of geologic materials based on field observations to interpret subsurface conditions.</p> <p>T26. Measure groundwater levels or free product thickness from wells.</p> <p>T27. Measure field water quality parameters.</p> <p>T28. Measure water flow and discharge rates.</p> | <p>K42. Knowledge of techniques to obtain groundwater and surface water samples.</p> <p>K43. Knowledge of techniques to obtain soil and waste samples.</p> <p>K44. Knowledge of techniques to obtain soil gas samples.</p> <p>K45. Knowledge of techniques to obtain field measurements of water quality.</p> <p>K46. Knowledge of techniques to measure water and NAPL levels in wells.</p> <p>K47. Knowledge of techniques to measure well discharge.</p> <p>K48. Knowledge of techniques to measure surface water.</p> <p>K49. Knowledge of field procedures for aquifer and slug tests.</p> <p>K50. Knowledge of classification systems for soil and rock.</p> <p>K51. Knowledge of techniques to obtain geophysical data.</p> <p>K52. Knowledge of procedures to measure infiltration.</p> <p>K53. Knowledge of procedures to decontaminate drilling equipment and sampling tools.</p> <p>K54. Knowledge of hazards of chemical contaminant exposure.</p> <p>K55. Knowledge of limitations of techniques for screening soil and groundwater samples in the field.</p> <p>K56. Knowledge of site reconnaissance and field mapping techniques</p> |

**IV. DATA EVALUATION (34%)** – Interpret data from historic, field, and laboratory sources and evaluate technical and economic feasibility of groundwater projects.

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| <p>T29. Analyze infiltration/percolation data to calculate recharge rates and permeability.</p> <p>T30. Identify possible recharge/discharge areas from maps, photographs, and historic records.</p> <p>T31. Prepare interpretive hydrogeologic illustrations.</p> <p>T32. Construct time-series graphs of water level data.</p> <p>T33. Calculate vertical and horizontal hydraulic gradients.</p> <p>T34. Calculate hydraulic parameters from aquifer test data.</p> <p>T35. Assess well performance from pumping test data.</p> <p>T36. Determine aquifer parameters based on slug test.</p> <p>T37. Calculate fate and transport of contaminants in groundwater or vadose zone.</p> <p>T38. Interpret hydrogeologic boundaries, heterogeneity, and/or anisotropy from single or multi-well tests.</p> <p>T39. Delineate water resource boundaries and zones from available data or field observations.</p> <p>T40. Assess surface water/groundwater interactions.</p> <p>T41. Delineate the nature and extent of groundwater contamination.</p> <p>T42. Evaluate data to prepare hydrologic inventory/water balance.</p> <p>T43. Characterize nature and extent of contamination based on laboratory analysis of soil, soil gas or groundwater samples.</p> <p>T44. Determine interaction between vadose zone and groundwater using physical or chemical parameters.</p> <p>T45. Interpret trends from water level and/or quality data.</p> <p>T46. Interpret borehole geophysical logs to determine aquifer stratigraphy and properties.</p> <p>T47. Estimate contaminant concentrations for use in risk assessment.</p> <p>T50. Prepare groundwater level/potentiometric contour maps.</p> <p>T51. Prepare isoconcentration contour map.</p> <p>T52. Prepare graphical representations of water quality data.</p> <p>T53. Analyze infiltration/percolation data to calculate recharge rates and permeability.</p> | <p>K57. Knowledge of effects of climate data on hydrogeologic investigations.</p> <p>K58. Knowledge of effects of climate on natural groundwater recharge.</p> <p>K59. Knowledge of effects of groundwater on soil and rock stability.</p> <p>K60. Knowledge of factors that can influence data quality in hydrogeologic investigations.</p> <p>K61. Knowledge of conditions that influence gas or fluid flow through an unsaturated/vadose zone.</p> <p>K62. Knowledge of procedures for assessing water level fluctuations in wells.</p> <p>K63. Knowledge of the relationship between fresh water and saline water in aquifers.</p> <p>K64. Knowledge of groundwater/surface water interactions and evaluation techniques.</p> <p>K65. Knowledge of effects of natural and human activities on groundwater quality and quantity.</p> <p>K66. Knowledge of potential influence of groundwater fluctuations on land stability.</p> <p>K67. Knowledge of procedures to validate the usefulness of hydrogeologic, hydrologic and water quality data.</p> <p>K68. Knowledge of physical and chemical properties of organic and inorganic compounds in soil and groundwater.</p> <p>K69. Knowledge of factors that affect migration of contaminants through soil.</p> <p>K70. Knowledge of fate and transport processes for chemical constituents.</p> <p>K71. Knowledge of statistical methods to evaluate soil or groundwater data.</p> <p>K72. Knowledge of unsaturated flow models.</p> <p>K73. Knowledge of analytical and numerical models that simulate groundwater flow.</p> <p>K74. Knowledge of analytical and numerical methods to model contaminant fate and transport.</p> <p>K75. Knowledge of use and limitations of various aquifer test methods.</p> <p>K76. Knowledge of techniques to analyze aquifer test data.</p> <p>K77. Knowledge of well bore storage and skin effects on aquifer test results.</p> <p>K78. Knowledge of the practical significance and implications of equilibrium and non-equilibrium aquifer tests.</p> <p>K79. Knowledge of effects of boundary conditions on water levels during pumping.</p> <p>K80. Knowledge of effects of groundwater pumping in confined and unconfined aquifers.</p> <p>K81. Knowledge of analytical and numerical methods to determine hydraulic parameters for saturated and unsaturated earth materials.</p> <p>K82. Knowledge of methods to calculate hydraulic gradients.</p> <p>K83. Knowledge of methods to calculate groundwater flow rate and volume.</p> <p>K84. Knowledge of similarities and differences in fractured and porous groundwater flow systems.</p> <p>K85. Knowledge of graphical and tabular techniques for analysis and presentation of hydrogeologic data.</p> |
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**V. DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION (17%)** – Design monitoring and production wells, and design programs for treatment and production systems.

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| <p>T54. Evaluate remedial technologies for soil, soil gas or groundwater.</p> <p>T55. Design a resource protection well.</p> <p>T56. Design a groundwater production well.</p> <p>T57. Develop cleanup goals for soil or groundwater remediation.</p> <p>T58. Develop criteria for a groundwater control/remediation system.</p> <p>T59. Design a monitoring plan for natural attenuation remedy.</p> <p>T60. Design a monitoring plan for remedial treatment system.</p> <p>T61. Design a monitoring plan for waste management units.</p> <p>T62. Design well decommissioning plan.</p> <p>T63. Design a well field specifying number, location, flow rate, and spacing of wells.</p> <p>T64. Design a monitoring plan for water supply system.</p> <p>T67. Design a groundwater injection/recharge system.</p> <p>T69. Assess performance of a remedial system.</p> <p>T70. Assess groundwater monitoring program effectiveness.</p> <p>T71. Assess impacts of water resource protection, development or use on current and future land and water uses.</p> <p>T72. Design a pumping test plan.</p> <p>T73. Design a well rehabilitation plan.</p> | <p>K86. Knowledge of well design for production wells and well fields.</p> <p>K87. Knowledge of well design for vapor extraction wells.</p> <p>K88. Knowledge of well design for resource protection wells</p> <p>K89. Knowledge of groundwater remediation systems</p> <p>K90. Knowledge of soil remediation systems.</p> <p>K91. Knowledge of artificial recharge and infiltration systems.</p> <p>K92. Knowledge of pilot tests used in hydrogeology investigations.</p> <p>K93. Knowledge of techniques for well rehabilitation.</p> <p>K94. Knowledge of techniques for well decommissioning.</p> <p>K95. Knowledge of pumping tests.</p> |