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For WA state Housing Trust Fund users: Evergreen Standard Update

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*A message from the WA state Department of Commerce:*

The Housing Trust Fund has updated the Evergreen Sustainable Development Standard with slight changes and edits. [ESDS v2.1 is now available on our website](#) and the EPP spreadsheet has also been updated to include the revisions. The revisions/additions within the standard are noted with a line along the left margin so users can easily identify changes. We want to thank our stakeholders for their valuable contributions during the public comment period.

For Future Applicants and Awardees:

- Any applicant applying to the Housing Trust Fund after May 2013 will be expected to comply with ESDS v2.1 if they receive funding.
- Awarded Organizations who do not have an approved EPP yet are expected to comply with ESDS v2.1. If any revised criteria present a hardship for the sponsoring organization, contact Dena Harris to discuss options, [dena.harris@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:dena.harris@commerce.wa.gov) or (360) 725-2902.
- Projects currently under construction may find that ESDS v2.1 aligns better with their project's scope. If that is the case, they may submit a revised EPP using the revised EPP spreadsheet on our website. However, they are not required to comply with v2.1, they may continue to use v2.0.

If you have any further questions, please contact Dena Harris, [dena.harris@commerce.wa.gov](mailto:dena.harris@commerce.wa.gov) or (360) 725-2902.