

## STATE OF WASHINGTON GREEN PURCHASING SURVEY QUESTIONS

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1. What is your agency and title?
  
2. What is your role in specifying and procuring products and services? For example, are you a contract specialist who develops procurements and contracts, a supervisor or purchasing manager with oversight, a buyer for your agency or department, or a policy developer?
  
3. What TYPES of environmentally preferable products or services do you (or does your agency) purchase or contract for regularly?
  
4. What are your agency's greatest green purchasing ACHIEVEMENTS to date?
  
5. What STEPS do you typically take to identify, specify or purchase green products and services? What sources of information do you use?
  
6. Do you use any ECO-LABELS or other green purchasing standards or certifications when purchasing goods or services? If yes, which ones?
  
7. What are the biggest OBSTACLES you face when trying to specify or purchase green products?
  
8. What would make green purchasing EASIER for you?
  
9. Please describe any upcoming green purchasing OPPORTUNITIES that you'd like to tackle in the coming year?

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10. How helpful would each of the following be to improving the State’s green purchasing program (Score from 0=not helpful to 5=extremely helpful)?

Question	Type of Assistance or Resource	Score (0-5)	Comments
A	More green products offered on State Master Contracts		
B	Better labeling of green products on State Master Contracts		
C	Model EPP specifications for commonly purchased products		
D	Blocking non-green products from State Master Contracts		
E	More training materials and events for our staff about the State’s Green Purchasing Policies and Procedures		
F	Adoption of a comprehensive Green or Sustainable Purchasing Policy		
G	Guidance about how to do use the soon-to-be-released EPP Manual		
H	Getting better “green” spend data from vendors		
I	Assistance tracking your agency’s green purchasing activities/results		
J	More interagency collaboration on green purchasing		
I	More upper-level support for green purchasing in your agency		
K	Other, please describe.		

11. If haven’t already signed up for a SEEP EPP Workgroup Sub-committee, which one would you like to be involved in?

- Creating an EPP Action Plan (including goals, priorities and timelines)
- Reviewing and adopting EPP specifications for upcoming State Contracts
- Promoting Green Cleaning in Your Agency
- Helping to write the State’s EPP Annual Report

12. Do you have any other COMMENTS or SUGGESTIONS?

13. Is there anyone else in your agency who you think should be sent this survey? (Yes/No) If yes, please provide their name and email address.

**Please send your completed survey to Cheral Manke, Procurement Innovation Manager at WA DES at [cheral.manke@des.wa.gov](mailto:cheral.manke@des.wa.gov).**