

## 40 C.F.R. § 282.97

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### Washington State–Administered Program.

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- (a) *History of the approval of Washington's program.* The State of Washington is approved to administer and enforce an underground storage tank program in lieu of the Federal program under subtitle I of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 (RCRA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6991 *et seq.* The State's program, as administered by the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology), was approved by the EPA pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6991c and part 281 of this chapter. The EPA published the notice of final determination approving the Washington underground storage tank base program effective on October 8, 1993. A subsequent program revision application was approved by the EPA and became effective on December 20, 2021.
- (b) *Enforcement authority.* Washington has primary responsibility for administering and enforcing its federally approved underground storage tank program. However, the EPA retains the authority to exercise its corrective action, inspection, and enforcement authorities under sections 9003(h), 9005, and 9006 of subtitle I of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6991b(h), 6991d and 6991e, as well as under any other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions.

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