

Wastewater Plant Wins Again

The City of Cle Elum has been awarded the Department of Ecology 2009 Outstanding Performance Award. This is the biggest honor that the DOE gives out making this the second year in a row. The award was received in 2005, 2008, and 2009.

Every hour of every day and every night, unseen people are working to protect the health of our waters and the water we drink. They are our state's wastewater (sewer) treatment plant operators.

Most people don't think about what goes on behind the scenes to protect our water, but the state Department of Ecology does because it regulates wastewater plant operations. When the agency sees perfect compliance at the plants, it recognizes the achievement with annual Outstanding Wastewater Treatment Plant Awards.

Last year, 91 of the state's wastewater treatment plants had perfect track records. The award-winning plants passed all environmental tests, analyzed all samples, turned in all state-required reports and avoided permit violations during 2009.

For more information visit DOE's link: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/news/2010news/2010-129.html>