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Draft GAP Rule Questions on Mitigation

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The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is asking the questions below on mitigation for public input and feedback for the proposed Greenhouse Gas Assessment for Projects (GAP) rule. In addition to this document, the [GAP draft rule framework and draft Washington Administrative Code \(WAC\) language on definitions and applicability for the GAP rule](#) are being released separately for informal comment.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions to Be Mitigated

As currently proposed, the GAP rule will require an applicant or lead agency develop a mitigation plan that describes the scope, extent and process for the mitigation needed to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from a project.

In addition to the mitigation plan elements presented in the GAP draft rule framework document, Ecology would like your input on the following questions:

- What GHG emissions should be included in the mitigation plan?
 - All GHG emissions identified in the environmental assessment (upstream, in-state, and downstream)?
 - Only in-state GHG emissions?
 - Upstream out-of-state GHG emissions from inputs or feedstocks for project?
 - Downstream out-of-state GHG emissions that occur as products or outputs of a project?
- How should mitigation for GHG emissions from projects which support decarbonization be considered? For example, should the amount of mitigation for such projects be decreased or eliminated based on the projects' contribution to a future decarbonized economy?
 - How should projects which support decarbonization be defined?
 - What information would be needed from the applicant to demonstrate that the project supports decarbonization?
 - Are there certain categories or types of projects that should be considered as supporting decarbonization and why?
 - What standards, conditions, and processes should be used to make the determination?
- If an applicant wants to use out-of-state mitigation, what evidence should be required to demonstrate that in-state mitigation is not available?