

**Claire Miller**  
**Rural Development Specialist – Environmental**

**Spokane, Washington**

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### **Skills**

- Needs assessments
- Technical assistance and training
- Rate studies
- Technical, Managerial, and Financial assessments
- Research and expertise on government regulations and policies
- Work plan management
- Income surveys
- Funding identification and application

### **Experience**

Claire Miller joined RCAC in 2018. She provides training and technical assistance to rural communities on water and wastewater system management, and funding sources and opportunities. Ms. Miller conducts outreach and networking at local, state, and regional levels where she coordinates rural development networks and liaises with state and federal agencies. She also conducts income surveys, rate studies, and other technical and needs assessments.

Before joining RCAC, Ms. Miller was an associate planner for the Washington State Department of Commerce in the Military and Community Compatibility Program where she developed relationships between Department of Defense entities and local planning bodies, including land-use officials, emergency response planners and officials, utility districts, state agencies, metropolitan planning organizations, ports, and regional planning organizations. She also identified and encouraged links between compatibility planning and funding, and other programs within the department, such as energy efficiency programs, school siting studies, and water banking efforts.

### **Education**

Master of Urban and Regional Planning - Eastern Washington University, Spokane, WA  
Bachelor of Arts in History - Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA

### **Professional Affiliations**

American Planning Association