DRAIN RANGERS
A successful stormwater youth education approach

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Presentation
- History
- Stormwater permit
- Youth education explanation
- Drain Ranger curriculum
- Where we are now
- Where we are going
- Questions
History
- Stormwater Municipal Permit (NPDES) - 2007
- Stormwater Outreach for Regional Municipalities (STORM) - 2008

History
- Ecology Grant: Drain Ranger initial design - 2009
  - Badge
  - Pledge
  - Color pages

History
- GROSS Grant: Strategic plan and style guide - 2010
History

- New stormwater permit adding youth as a target audience - 2013
- Implementation is currently sporadic
  - Some utilize staff educators
  - Some utilize non-profits
  - Some provide curriculum
  - Some don't provide anything

**BOTTOM LINE:** stormwater education is administered sporadically in some schools and not at all in others

- As a result, students do not obtain a basic understanding of stormwater concepts or behaviors that contribute to polluted stormwater runoff.

How Schools Work

- Isn't possible to develop a lesson, deliver it to each district, and expect distribution
- Must work with educators to find out what is needed
- Must provide teacher training
- Must provide all materials

Partnerships Created

- STORM needed partners with expertise, interest, and funding
  - The Puget Sound Partnership
  - The Pacific Education Institute
  - Formal and informal educators
  - Stakeholders