The Washington Stormwater Center was established through state legislation to protect Washington's waters through improvements in stormwater management, serving as the central resource in Washington for integrated NPDES education, permit technical assistance, stormwater management and new technology research, development, and evaluation.

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Eyes on the Watershed
Explore your watershed, learn about pollution types effecting water quality and win a prize! Learn about where different types of pollution come from and how to be a part of the solution! Get more information by visiting our website and watch our interview with Lisa Rozmyn. This project is funded in part through Boeing Global Corporate Citizenship.
Strengthen Previous Pavement

In partnership with The Boeing Company, led by Dr. John Stark, we are studying the physical, mechanical, and toxicological performance of recycled carbon fiber material from airplane manufacturing, and looking at its ability to strengthen and remove pollutants in previous pavement. Learn more, watch the video, Concrete Solutions.

Low Impact Development Online Curriculum

This new online program will adapt curriculum to teach engineers, planners, and other agents of stormwater management how to design and maintain low impact development practices. The program is funded by the Department of Ecology and is being led by WSU faculty member Ani Jayakaran, P.E. Ph. D., in collaboration with the WSU Global Campus and Herrera Environmental Consultants. This effort also involves developing Instructor Policies and a portal for online assessments for in-person statewide training currently underway.

Dr. Jenifer McIntyre, our Newest Faculty Hire

Please join us in congratulating Dr. Jen McIntyre who recently accepted a tenure-track faculty position as an Aquatic Toxicologist in the School of the Environment, located at WSU Puyallup. Many of you already know Jen as she has worked at WSU Puyallup on stormwater toxicology for a number of years and recently gave the Innovators talk in Seattle on her cutting-edge research. Her office will be in the newly renovated Aquatic Toxicology building.

2018 Municipal National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Stormwater Permit: Ad Hoc Group

Working and coordinating with King County, the City of Bellevue, Sea Tac, and Thurston County leadership teams, the WSC is helping to convene stormwater stakeholders. This Ad Hoc group is a group of Washington municipal permit holders, non-profits, state agencies, and regional organizations who have started investigating if and how to make a more collaborative approach leading to better permits and better working relationships among stakeholders.

**Save the Date:** 2018 Municipal NPDES Stormwater Permit Ad Hoc Group Confluence Meeting on September 7th, 2016. The Western Washington Phase I and Phase II permits expire on July 31, 2018. On September 7th, at the Ad Hoc Confluence Meeting, the Washington Department of Ecology will give an overview of the elements of the Permit that they are planning to change/ make changes to and what the process will look like. Then each of the Topic Groups will present on the work they’ve done and what they plan to submit to Ecology. Interaction and discussion will follow with the Ad Hoc Topic Group members taking the input from the meeting and drafting up the Early Input Template Submittal Forms for each of the topic groups.

Learn more by visiting our Ad Hoc page.
Upcoming Events

- **Next Ad Hoc Group Meeting** - Confluence Convening- Topic groups will present on and share permit suggestions they have developed to submit to Ecology.

  When: **September 7th 9:00am-12:00pm**
  Where: **Bellevue Service Center: Parquet Room**
  2901 115th Ave NE.
  Bellevue, WA 98004

- **Washington State Municipal Stormwater Conference 2017Â (a.k.a. MuniCon) May 16 & 17, 2017 at Yakima Washington Convention Center**

  The conference planners are using information gathered from local jurisdictions and other professionals across the state to bring sessions focused specifically on addressing high priority issues and challenges faced by municipal NPDES permittees statewide.

  This conference will also provide:
  - Networking/information sharing opportunities
  - Permit planning and operations technical topics
  - Permit compliance sessions
  - Technical resource sessions

  More information will be posted on our website as it becomes available.

An advisory committee is now being formed to review presentation topic categories and conference structure. Calls for abstracts for presentations will be issued in September.

As the half-day sessions were very popular with attendants at the last conference, we are again looking for groups who may be interested in self-organizing a session to provide an in-depth perspective and / or training on a topic of significance to permit holders across the state. Please contact Laurie Larson at 253-445-4593 if you would like more information on how to develop your proposal.

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As part of our outreach efforts, we are now on **Facebook** and **Twitter**. We also have a **YouTube Channel**.

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Please feel free to contact us with your comments or questions about our website, events, or other stormwater issues and concerns.

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