City of Tacoma - Code & Manual Update

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Stormwater Management Manual History

- October 1995 Manual
- September 2008 Manual
- February 2012 Manual
- Draft 2015 Manual

City of Tacoma - Background

- ~72% drains to flow control exempt receiving waters
- ~500 miles of pipe
- MR #5 is different based upon the ultimate discharge location
Lesson Learned – Communicate!

- Communicate early and often.
- Public Meetings
- Talk to your council – they are representatives of the public.
  - Provide direction for SWMM (developer-friendly, regional focus, etc.)
- Talk to Ecology – SWMM interpretation
- Talk to other Permittees

Lesson Learned – User Friendly

- User friendly is key.
  - Short Forms (SSP and SWPPP)
  - Flowcharts
  - Tip Sheets
  - Handouts
  - Small Project SWMM

Tools - Outcomes

- SSP Short Form and SWPPP Short Form
- Sizing Tables for MR#5 BMPs
- Soils Report Requirement Appendix
- Flowcharts