Municipal bulletin Oct. 7, 2020 Municipal Permittee Bulletin: Inquiries, Resources and News

Good morning Municipal Stormwater Permittees,

This bi-weekly Municipal Stormwater Bulletin contains information to be shared, including a request for information from permittees, updates on workshops/trainings, and news. There is a lot of useful information please take a look and share with others who could use the information.

#### PERMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

**City of Gig Harbor's Bri Ellis** created the first edition of **"The Runoff"** a municipal stormwater newsletter. Take a look at the attached The RunOff – Fall 2020. Check out the Stormwater Hero's feature.

## **Pierce County Vehicle Adaptation during COVID-19**

When Pierce County (PC) was first experiencing the restrictions of one person per vehicle due to Covid-19, they developed a way to adapt vehicles to accommodate 2 people. Once a few were adapted, PC asked an L&I Hygiene Consultant to come out and review the "sneeze guards" in their vehicles. The report from L&I stated PC had done an excellent job of separating the air spaces between front and back seats with the clear vinyl barrier. Learn more at the Central NPDES Phase II Forum Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. For information on the Central meeting contact Laurie Larson.

**PERMITTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION** If you have any information to share for the permittees requests below, please reach out! If you are looking for information from other permittees send the inquiry to Laurie Larson to be sent in the next bulletin.

#### Request from jurisdictions for Green Infrastructure O&M training opportunities

If you know of any online training materials, videos or opportunities please send them to Laurie Larson.

### **STORM & Ecology:** A quick survey for recreational boaters

Do you have six minutes to spare? As a recreational boater, your feedback matters.

We are helping the Washington Department of Ecology distribute a survey to recreational boaters in Washington. The survey asks for your opinion on messaging and graphics created for boaters about sewage management rules. This is a follow up to a survey sent earlier this summer.

Your answers are confidential, and no personally identifying questions are asked.

Click on this link to start the survey: https://confidential-survey.com/datafile/2B.htm

If you have questions about this survey, please contact Justine Asohmbom, Ecology.

justine.asohmbom@ecy.wa.gov

## Permittee request for: Maintenance and Inspection check list

Does anyone has a more current electronic check list for property owners to report their own maintenance and inspection for the stormwater BMPs (features and treatment). An improved check list that matches features used today would really help. Send to <a href="mailto:larson-pugh@wsu.edu">larson-pugh@wsu.edu</a>

**Regional Permit Coordinator Meetings:** Contact Laurie Larson for meeting information. **Central NPDES Permit Coordinators Forum** 

15 October 1:00-3:30pm

**BIG (Business Inspection Group)** 

20 October 1:30-3:30pm

**ROAD Map (Regional Operations and Maintenance Program)** 

21 October 1:00-3:30pm Meeting focus: Spill response and IDDE

**STORM Symposium** 

18-19 November

## **RESOURCES:**

Incentivizing Low Impact Development: <u>Guidance for Local Jurisdictions</u> (attached) Guidance designed to help local jurisdictions develop incentives to increase developer use of LID.

Source: Washington State Department of Commerce

Building Green Cities LID Guidebook Factsheet (attached BGC COM Guidebook Factsheet)

Source: Washington State Department of Commerce

#### U of W Tribal Climate Tool

This visualization tool enables users to explore and download climate change projections and climate change summaries for priority geographies at the scale of tribal decision-making. https://cig.uw.edu/resources/tribal-vulnerability-assessment-resources/tribal-climate-tool/

### Proposed King County Strategic Climate Action Plan

The Strategic Climate Action Plan (SCAP) has been transmitted to the King County Council. The SCAP is a living document that is updated every five years to reflect the County's continuous learning approach to climate action and associated priority actions.

https://kingcounty.gov/services/environment/climate/actions-strategies/strategic-climate-action-plan.aspx

**WORKSHOP/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:** \*These dates are subject to change depending upon COVID-19 containment measures.

### **Toxic Floodwaters Webinar: Environmental Justice and Chemical Disaster**

On October 20, you will hear from leading experts on public health, environmental justice, and community-based research. you will learn about a collaborative, stakeholder-led research project to prevent chemical releases during storm surges and flooding in one New York City neighborhood -- and how this community-centered approach can be replicated in other cities and towns throughout the country. You will also hear about the public health risks of exposure to fugitive chemicals, the federal and state laws that determine how hazardous chemicals are stored, and efforts to advocate for climate resilience policies. Free

Register: https://bit.ly/cprtoxicfloodwaterswebinar2

# Climate Change Impacts to Stormwater October 22

Join Forester University for this live, educational webinar as prolific speaker Douglas Beyerlein (PE, PH, D.WRE) discusses how climate change impacts stormwater runoff, how to account for these changes in the design of stormwater and flood control facilities, and how secondary effects—such as sea level rise—indirectly influence stormwater runoff as well. Fee: \$79.00

Registration: https://www.foresteruniversity.com/ProductDetails.aspx?ProductID=2605

### MuniCon 2021 April 5-8 Zoom On-line

The goal of this conference is to provide the Washington municipal stormwater community an opportunity to communicate, coordinate, and exchange approaches and tools for addressing

priority issues and challenges faced by municipal stormwater permitees in Eastern and Western Washington. MuniCon 2021 is scheduled for April 5-8, 2021 as an on-line conference. **MuniCon Call for Abstracts deadline Oct. 21, 2020**:

http://www.cvent.com/c/abstracts/3977fb4a-8b5e-498d-abed-52aa7521d6f8

### **Inclusive Public Engagement Strategies Oct. 28, 2020**

Why do local government outreach efforts commonly result in public meetings attended by "the usual crowd"? The people who participate in council meetings or public hearings rarely reflect the full range of identities, ages, and perspectives within the community. This webinar will address more inclusive outreach strategies to build broad coalitions with all community members. Fee: \$35

Registration: <a href="http://mrsc.org/Home/Training/Upcoming-Webinars/Inclusive-Public-Engagement-Strategies.aspx">http://mrsc.org/Home/Training/Upcoming-Webinars/Inclusive-Public-Engagement-Strategies.aspx</a>

**CESCL Certification** at Northwest Environmental Training Center Course Offerings October 21-22. Fee based training. Register at: <a href="https://nwetc.org/chronological-course-offerings/cescl?utm">https://nwetc.org/chronological-course-offerings/cescl?utm</a> source=sendinblue&utm campaign=CESCL 831&utm medium=email

## **ICID Training Update:**

There is no charge to attend, and each training session can accommodate up to 30 participants. Municipal staff from western Washington are given priority for registration (other attendees are welcome as space is available). Training dates and times are listed below. **Registration** is now live for the virtual trainings on the 2020 Illicit Connection and Illicit Discharge (IC-ID) Field Screening and Source Tracing Guidance Manual: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-ic-id-field-screening-and-source-tracing-training-tickets-114987885862?">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-ic-id-field-screening-and-source-tracing-training-tickets-114987885862?</a>

#### ICID web page:

https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/illicit-connection-illicit-discharge

Date	Time
Tuesday, Oct. 13	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Oct. 20	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Oct. 29	1:00-4:00pm
Tuesday, Nov. 3	1:00-4:00pm
Tuesday, Nov. 10	9:00am-12:00pm

**Social Marketing SPARKS Conference**: December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Fee: Day 1-2 \$345 Day 1 \$195 Register at: <a href="https://pnsma.org/SPARKS">https://pnsma.org/SPARKS</a>

# Northwest Climate Conference has been rescheduled for April 6-8, 2021

The NW Climate Conference brings together more than 500 researchers and practitioners from around the region to discuss scientific results, challenges and solutions related to the impacts of climate on people, natural resources and infrastructure in the Northwest. The conference also provides a forum for presenting emerging policy and management goals, as well as information needs related to regional

climate impacts and adaptation. Conference participants include policy- and decision-makers, resource managers and scientists from academia, public agencies, sovereign tribal nations, non-governmental organizations and the private sector. Registration date TBD

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** please share with anyone who may be interested in listed below: Environmental Specialist (TLT) from the list of open positions. See attached: KENT job posting.

City of Tacoma is recruiting for the position of Source Control Representative. The Source Control Representative announcement on the City of Tacoma website will close on October 14, 2020 @ 5:00 PM (Pacific). If you know any interested parties who would be great candidates for the position, please let them know and/or forward the link below. To view the full job posting go to: <a href="https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/tacoma/jobs/2850568/source-control-representative?page=2&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs">https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/tacoma/jobs/2850568/source-control-representative?page=2&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs</a> After you have reviewed the job posting, you can apply for the position by clicking on the "Apply" button and completing the online application.

King County is seeking candidates for the position of Water quality Planner/Project Manager II (Stormwater) This Water Quality Planner/Project Manager II position investigates and troubleshoots surface water quality problems; identifies and traces illicit stormwater discharges to the conveyance system and surface waters; inspects business sites for compliance with King County stormwater pollution prevention requirements; and implements enforcement action as needed to resolve water quality code violations. This position provides support in the development of plans and reviews for the impacts of regulatory actions and implementation of operational projects that support the infrastructure and operations and activities of stormwater efforts needed to protect and enhance water quality. The planner in this position generally works independently, executing their assigned projects and participating in components of more complex programs. Incumbent may serve on interdisciplinary and inter-jurisdictional teams addressing environmental and regulatory issues. Post link: <a href="https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kingcounty/jobs/2843027/water-quality-planner-project-manager-ii-stormwater">https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kingcounty/jobs/2843027/water-quality-planner-project-manager-ii-stormwater</a>

**Puget Sound Conservation Districts** is seeking candidates for the Forest Stewardship Program Coordinator position. More information at: <a href="https://betterground.org/pscd/partner-resources/">https://betterground.org/pscd/partner-resources/</a>