

Good morning Municipal Stormwater Permittees, by Laurie Larson

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 and attachments please share with others who could use the information.

NEWS

Western Washington 2024 Permit Reissuance Ad Hoc Process (WW Ad Hoc): Participation Opportunity

The Second WW Ad Hoc Plenary meeting is scheduled for Jan. 27 from 1-3:30. The meeting include presentations from the Ad Hoc Topic Groups. Please contact laurie.larson-pugh@wsu.edu to receive the virtual meeting invitation. For more information on the WW Ad Hoc Process visit the website:

<https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/2024-western-washington-ad-hoc-process/>

Eastern WA Plan Review Training

Thank you for your interest in the Eastern Washington Plan Review Training.

Unfortunately, the two-day Plan Review training scheduled for Nov. 16 and 17, 2021 is cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control. **The training will be rescheduled for early February 2022.** All who registered will receive the new training dates in early January 2022 with the new schedule and instructions. If you have any questions, please contact Laurie Larson-Pugh.

SAM Business Source Control & Inspection Program Resources and project updates are available at the website: <https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/business-source-control-inspection-program/>

NEWS LEGISLATIVE UPDATE no updates in this bulletin

The Puyallup and Chambers Watersheds Salmon Recovery Lead Entity (Lead Entity) is soliciting proposals for salmon habitat protection and restoration projects in the Puyallup/White and Chambers/Clover Creek watersheds for the 2022 Grant Round. (see attachment 2022 grant round_SRFB_PSAR RFP)

Applicants are required to view the recording of the most recent Salmon Grant Application Workshop [Salmon Recovery and Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration - RCO \(wa.gov\)](#) (scroll down under the heading Salmon Resources). Notice of Intent (NOI) to apply due Jan. 11, 2022. Submit to lisa.spurrier@piercecounitywa.gov

PEER TO PEER PERMITTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION If you have any information to share for the permittee's requests below, please reach out!

Kitsap County Question:

One of our Public Works Stormwater team is about to be a brand new mom. When she returns to work after maternity leave, she has a need to pump during the day. While we have a nice lactation room for folks at our office, this mom is one of our truck drivers so she spends a lot of time on the road as part of a crew or a two-person vector team. We know this means we'll have to get creative!

I'm trying to locate other jurisdictions that have encountered a similar situation with someone that works in a transportation or construction position that has solved the challenge of how to pump in the

field during their workday. Hopefully, someone has already come up with some brilliant ideas that we can adopt.

Kitsap is eager to craft a solution that meets the needs of our 'moms in construction', meets legal requirements for accommodation, and is also sensitive to the needs of our mom and her coworkers for privacy and minimizes disruption to the workflow. Looking forward to welcoming many more women into the field and we know we need to get this right! Any input is most appreciated. Please respond directly to Michelle Perdue <mailto:mperdue@co.kitsap.wa.us>

Jurisdiction is seeking information on successful municipal leaf management programs.

If you have information on a successful program managing fall leaves and are willing to share with the inquiring jurisdiction contact Laurie Larson-Pugh.

REGIONAL PERMIT COORDINATOR MEETINGS: For information on Regional Stormwater Coordinator Groups visit: <https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/877-2/>

Central NPDES Permit Coordinators Forum

Feb. 17, 2022, 1:00-3:30pm

ROAD Map (Regional Operations and Maintenance Program)

Jan. 13, 2022, 1:00-3:30pm

South Sound Phase II Coordinator's Group

Jan. 20, 2022, 9:00-11:00am

Business Inspection Group (BIG)

Feb. 15, 2022, 1:30-3:30pm

STORM

Quarterly Meeting Feb.10, 2022, 9:00am-12:00pm

For more information contact: Katheryn Straus, STORM Coordinator Katherine.Straus@seattle.gov

RESOURCES:

Stormwater Partners New Stormwater Facility Maintenance Resources: (Shared Eric Lambert, Clark County). Recently completed Stormwater Partners project to enhance outreach materials to better support residents and businesses responsible for maintaining private stormwater facilities. New materials include:

- printable maintenance cards in English, Spanish and Russian, mostly focused on individual facility components or tasks (also formatted as webpages)
- short videos in English, Spanish and Russian that correspond with the maintenance cards (also available on our YouTube channel)
- virtual tours that allow users to get inside common facilities and see facility components and watch the associated videos
- brochure that include facility component checklist and pocket for cards

The new materials are available at: <https://www.stormwaterpartners.com/facilities>. Scroll down and click on the stormwater facility types (biofiltration swale, bioretention, etc.) to check out the resources.

Minnesota Sea Grant Watershed Game

<https://seagrant.umn.edu/programs/community-resilience-program/watershed-game>

Pacific Northwest Social Marketing Association (PNSMA) is an organization made up of members of the social marketing community across the Pacific Northwest. This community includes communicators, policy staff, strategists, budget managers and anyone involved in promoting strategies that support individual and community well-being. Its purpose is to:

- Promote the general advancement of the practice and industry of social marketing
- Advance the interests of social marketing professionals
- Facilitate training, education and research
- Provide a forum for exchange of information related to the practice
- Promote public understanding and education about social marketing.

For more information visit the PNSMA website <https://pnsma.org/About>

WSU Extension has completed a video on stormwater in Spanish. View the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nP6l14JwLrw> Contact Patricia Townsend, PH.D <mailto:patricia.townsend@wsu.edu> with any questions or for more information.

EPA New “Office Hours” for EJScreen Tool

EPA is holding a set of "Office Hours" for people to learn about EJSCREEN, the Agency's environmental justice screening and mapping tool. During these bimonthly conversations, EPA will give brief updates on new features in EJSCREEN, upcoming changes, or other relevant topics. However, the majority of the time will be reserved for questions and feedback. There will not be an agenda or formal presentations. The Agency hopes that you will join these open discussions and learn about EJSCREEN, as well as to get your questions answered. EPA EJScreen Tool website includes the recording of the first Office Hours, held Aug. 18: <https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen>

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

Community Based Social Marketing Training with Doug McKenzie-Mohr, Ph.D fee based

Introductory Workshop Jan. 10-12 (three four-hour sessions)

Advanced Workshop Jan. 17-19 (three four-hour sessions)

Registration https://cbsm.com/workshops/na-virtual-workshop-2022?utm_source=convertkit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Personal+request%3A+Upcoming+Virtual+North+America+CBSM+Training+%28discount+code+provided%29+%20-%206741680

Smart Growth America is hosting Equity Summit January 11-13, 2022

At Smart Growth America, we deeply believe that improving racial disparities is at the core of a smart growth approach. But what does that mean? How does it work in practice? And how can smart growth advocates do it better?

There's a lot to learn, a lot to listen to, and a lot to discuss. And for three days in January 2022, we'll once again be tackling this topic with a roster of experts from around the country. Registration information <https://smartgrowthamerica.org/equity-summit/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eld=91ee8f86-204c-4343-a17f-a0ea56f06afb>

National Climate Assessment: Northwest Chapter Engagement Workshop February 1, 2022 9:30am-2pm. UW Climate Impacts Group Scientists Crystal Raymond and Erica Asinas are among the authors on the Northwest chapter of the Assessment. Raymond and Asinas will facilitate listening sessions at the February 1 engagement workshop.

The National Climate Assessment is a Congressionally-mandated quadrennial report led by the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP). The report evaluates how climate change affects people and places in the United States. The Northwest Chapter Engagement Workshop is one in a series of workshops that will solicit feedback based on a range of topics and geographic regions. Registration: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/national-climate-assessment-northwest-chapter-engagement-workshop-registration-209878521307>

JOB OPPORTUNITIES: please share with anyone who may be interested in listed below:

Skagit County is seeking Stormwater Natural Resources Technician closes 12/27/21.

This full-time position works in the Stormwater Management Program and assists in the implementation of the County's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Stormwater Permit. Work includes stormwater facility inspections, illicit discharge detection and elimination, spill response, public education and outreach, mapping, serving on interdisciplinary teams, and record maintenance. This position may also assist in reviewing and updating stormwater management plans and county code. Work is performed using independent judgment under the direction of the County's Stormwater Coordinator. For more information visit

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/skagitwa/jobs/3332526-0/stormwater-natural-resources-technician-public-works>

Department of Ecology Regional Water Quality Specialist (Environmental Specialist 4)

This position is located in our Central Regional Office (CRO) in Union Gap, WA. In this role, you will travel and conduct water quality sampling every month in Ecology's South Central Region as part of the long-term ambient monitoring program. The position gets to see a lot of places in South Central Washington while gaining valuable experience in water quality sampling, quality assurance and quality control, data entry and management, effective communication and interaction with the public. Future outlook for this position is promising since it usually leads to better career advancement opportunities. For a full job description and to apply, follow this link:

[https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/3278224/regional-water-quality-specialist-environmental-specialist-4?department\[0\]=Dept.%20of%20Ecology&sort=PostingDate%7CDescending&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/3278224/regional-water-quality-specialist-environmental-specialist-4?department[0]=Dept.%20of%20Ecology&sort=PostingDate%7CDescending&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs)

The Water Quality Program within the Department of Ecology is looking to fill a FERC Compliance Coordinator/Construction Stormwater Permit Manager (Environmental Specialist 4) position. This position is located in our Southwest Regional Office in Lacey, WA.

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/3318307/ferc-compliance-coordinator-construction-stormwater-permit-manager-environmental>