

## Municipal Bulletin Feb. 22, 2023 Municipal Permittee Bulletin: Inquiries, Resources, and News

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/training, and news. There is a lot of useful information and attachments. Please share with others who could use the information.

### NEWS

#### **MuniCon 2023 Agenda/Schedule is available!**

The April 25-Day 1 workshops are in the final stages of planning including a BMP tour with the City of Wenatchee Staff and April 26-Day 2 features Four Tracks with 42 presentations and three panel discussions. Attached is the Agenda/Schedule and check the website for updates at:

<https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/municon2023/> Contact [laurie.larson-pugh@wsu.edu](mailto:laurie.larson-pugh@wsu.edu) with any questions.

Note: MuniCon In-person registration fees along with funds raised by sponsors and exhibitors will cover the following meals at the conference: April 25-Day 1 meals provided: light lunch food at noon, afternoon snack, networking light food and April 26-Day 2 meals provided: breakfast, morning snack, lunch, afternoon snack.

#### **Reminder! SAM Round 4 Project Letters of interest are due February 28.**

the 2023 SAM Request for Proposals to hear your new ideas for SAM funded studies. This is the fourth round of solicitation for SAM funded studies since the program's inception in 2014. We seek projects that will measure and improve our regional collective knowledge to manage stormwater.

Submit the Letter of Interest (your proposal idea) using a Google fillable form, also on the website, by **February 28, 2023**. SAM RFP 2023 Guidelines information at:

[https://www.ezview.wa.gov/Portals/\\_1962/Documents/SAM/2023SAM\\_Round4\\_RFP\\_Guidelines.pdf?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.ezview.wa.gov/Portals/_1962/Documents/SAM/2023SAM_Round4_RFP_Guidelines.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) Contact: Brandi Lubliner, SAM Coordinator [brandi.lubliner@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:brandi.lubliner@ecy.wa.gov)

### NEWS STATE, NATIONAL & LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

**On February 1, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced its updated Clean Water Act Financial Capability Assessment (FCA) Guidance** to help communities ensure public health protections and financial feasibility as they make plans to comply with the Clean Water Act (CWA).

- Updated FCA Guidance <https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter/clean-water-act-financial-capability-assessment-guidance>
- News Release about the Updated FCA Guidance <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-announces-financial-capability-guidance-support-communities-and-ensure-clean>
- Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center <https://www.epa.gov/waterfinancecenter>

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

None in this issue

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

**APWA** March 17, 2023, 9:00am-12:00pm

**Central NPDES Permit Coordinators Forum** April 20, 2023 1:00-3:30pm

**ROAD Map (Regional Operations and Maintenance Program)** April 13, 2023, 1:00-3:30pm

**South Sound Phase II Coordinator's Group** April 27, 2023, 9:00-11:00am

**Business Inspection Group (BIG)** April 18, 2023, 1:30-3:30pm

**STORM Quarterly meeting** May 18, 2023 In-person at the Center for Urban Waters

### RESOURCES:

**STORM Quarterly** Feb 9, 2023 meeting presentation links and chat. Please note that you can always find links to past training by signing into the Resource Reservoir at [www.pugetsoundstormgroup.org](http://www.pugetsoundstormgroup.org) and searching "recording".

STORM recommended professional development Resources:

- International Association for Public Participation (iap2.org) A great resource for ethics, practices etc. for public outreach professionals. [https://iap2.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2018\\_IAP2\\_Spectrum.pdf](https://iap2.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/2018_IAP2_Spectrum.pdf)
- International Association for Public Participation (iap2.org) A great resource for ethics, practices etc. for public outreach professionals. [National Association for Interpretation \(interpnet.com\)](http://NationalAssociationforInterpretation.com)
- Intro to EE | Civic Ecology Lab This is a short, intense course that offers great resources and examples of multi-cultural environmental outreach with international participants. Cost was \$40.00 in 2022. <https://www.civicecology.org/course-iee>

### New GSI Assistance Programs Guidebook!

<https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/gsi-assistance-programs-guidebook/>

The Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Assistance Programs Guidebook is a tool for managers, planners, and other agency staff to update or create a GSI Assistance Program. The guidebook reviews 17 Western Washington GSI Assistance Programs that use technical assistance and/or financial incentives to support GSI installations on private property. Staff from these programs were interviewed and their guidance for developing, implementing, and evaluating GSI Assistance Programs is collated into the guidebook. The main elements covered in this guidebook include:

- An introduction to GSI Assistance Programs and overview of common GSI features
- Equity considerations in GSI Assistance Programs
- Guidance on developing, implementing, and evaluating a GSI Assistance Program
- One-page overviews of current GSI Assistance Programs in Western Washington
- Recommendations on next steps for program managers looking to create or update their GSI Assistance Program

### WORKSHOP/TRAINING/CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES:

#### Ecology Informational webinar on the natural condition's provisions rulemaking

We invite you to attend an informational webinar for the rulemaking to update our natural conditions provisions in the surface water quality standards, chapter 173-201A WAC.

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023 – 1:30 p.m.**

Register for the afternoon webinar [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

Join by phone only - 1- 253-205-0468

Meeting ID - 892 9541 6854

**Thursday, March 2, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**

Register for the evening webinar [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

Join by phone only - 1- 253-215-8782

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Meeting ID - 820 4253 3399

**Informal/Nonformal Science Educator Workshops: Register for March 8:** Puget Sound Region at the Environmental Science Center in Burien, Washington. Registration [Informal/Nonformal Science Educator Workshop - ESD 121 \(pdenroller.org\)](#)

**The Port of Vancouver is hosting a CESCL Recertification course on 3/13/23 fee based.** To register for this class, please use this link: [https://cwt-training-academy.myshopify.com/products/port-of-vancouver-wa-cescl-recertification?utm\\_source=copyToPasteBoard&utm\\_medium=product-links&utm\\_content=web](https://cwt-training-academy.myshopify.com/products/port-of-vancouver-wa-cescl-recertification?utm_source=copyToPasteBoard&utm_medium=product-links&utm_content=web)

**Municipal SWMP Development Training Online March 13, 2023 \$499.00**

Stormwater Training Center: Learn how to develop a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) that includes structural and non-structural controls, the Six Minimum Control Measures, inspection and monitoring, and the Remand Rule. More information:

<https://www.thestormwatertrainingcenter.com/trainings-certifications/municipal-stormwater-management/>

**NEBC Managing Stormwater in Washington March 15, 2023 at Greater Tacoma Convention Center**  
Conference information <https://washingtonstormwater.com/>

**The Pacific Northwest Social Marketing Association will offer a 1.5 hour discussion March 15, on DEI in communications. Best Practices for Applying DEI Principles to Marketing Communications and Engagement.** The Forums are free but then only available to members after the event. More information at: <https://pnsma.org/event-5155472>

**American Water Works Association: Contaminants of Concern Symposium March 14-16, 2023 Virtual**

Learn from top researchers and utility experts about organic and inorganic contaminants, from manganese and arsenic to hexavalent chromium and much more. Register at:

[https://www.awwa.org/Events-Education/Contaminants-of-Concern?utm\\_term=laurie.larson-pugh%40wsu.edu&utm\\_campaign=Contaminants+of+Concern+-+1%2f4&utm\\_source=ce&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.awwa.org/Events-Education/Contaminants-of-Concern?utm_term=laurie.larson-pugh%40wsu.edu&utm_campaign=Contaminants+of+Concern+-+1%2f4&utm_source=ce&utm_medium=email)

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** please share with anyone who may be interested in the list below:

**Thurston County is hiring a Civil Engineer in their Public Works Water Resources Division.** Apply at:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/thurstonwa/jobs/3730367/civil-engineer>

**The City of Orting has two open positions in Public Works a Stormwater Maintenance Worker and a Water Operator position.**

- **Water Operator:** The city of Orting is looking to fill a Water Operator position. The Water Operator is a full-time non-exempt position. Under supervision, the Water Operator performs semi-skilled labor in the maintenance, operation, and repair of the City's water system; and maintains all vehicles and equipment used. Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Please see the City of Orting website for additional job description details and information on how to apply. <https://www.cityoforting.org/Home/Components/JobPosts/Job/42/85>

- **Stormwater Maintenance Worker:** The city of Orting is looking to fill a Stormwater Maintenance position. The Storm-water Maintenance Worker is a full-time non-exempt position. Under supervision, the Storm-water Maintenance Worker performs semi-skilled labor in the maintenance, operation, and repair of the City's storm-water system; and maintains all vehicles and equipment used. This position is part of a bargaining unit represented by the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 120. Knowledge of the NPDES Phase II Permit requirements is preferred. Please see the City of Orting website for additional job description details and information on how to apply.  
<https://www.cityoforting.org/Home/Components/JobPosts/Job/38/85>

**City of Bothell is recruiting a position to coordinate our business source control program, IDDE planning, and city facility SWPPP audits.** A strong background in technical assistance, inspection, project management, and grant writing is highly desired. Recruitment closes March 6:  
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/bothellwa/jobs/3904053/surface-water-program-coordinator-idde?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

**The City of Des Moines has an opening for Civil Engineer II – surface Water and Environmental Engineering position.** Position details can be found at:  
<https://desmoineswa.applicantpro.com/jobs/2732780.html>

**Pierce County has two job postings open in the Monitoring Unit.**

- **Water Quality Monitoring Project Lead:**  
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/piercecountywa/jobs/3865899/water-quality-monitoring-project-lead?keywords=water%20quality&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

**The City of Vancouver is hiring an Associate/Civil Engineer and an Engineering Specialist in the Surface Water department:** Apply at <https://cityofvancouver.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com/COV> Closes 2/28/23

**The City of Seattle is hiring a Wastewater Engagement Program Manager:**  
<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/seattle/jobs/3854810/wastewater-engagementprogram-manager-sr-pd-spec?sort=PostingDate%7CDescending&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

**The City of Woodinville has a position open for a Surface Water Program Coordinator.** Apply at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/woodinville/jobs/3843966/surface-water-program-coordinator?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

**The Department of Ecology Water Quality Program is looking to fill Northwest Region Water Quality Planner (Environmental Planner 4).** This position is stationed at the Northwest Regional office in Shoreline. See attached pdf. If you are interested in applying, please follow this link: [Northwest Region Water Quality Planner \(Environmental Planner 4\)](#)