

Municipal Bulletin May 12, 2021 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/trainings, and news. There is a lot of useful information and **attachments** please share with others who could use the information.

NEWS

NMSA: The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is hosting an important Webinar on street sweeping for water quality improvement and MS4 permit crediting.

It is **Thursday, May 13th, 9:30 – 11:00 AM Central Daylight Time**. See below for details and Web links. This is big news for MS4 programs throughout the United States. This is up-to-date research linked to measurement protocols to develop a crediting program for MS4 permittees to reduce phosphorus in their stormwater, get credit in their MS4 permits, and make progress toward meeting TMDL WLAs. This makes the case for street sweeping as one of our most important and cost-efficient (<\$100/lb to remove P) stormwater BMPs.

The speakers are good, the research is fascinating, and the information is useful and actionable for MS4 programs everywhere.

May 13, 2021 street sweeping webinar - Minnesota Stormwater Manual (state.mn.us)

https://stormwater.pca.state.mn.us/index.php?title=May_2021_street_sweeping_webinar

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

Call for Central NPDES Coordinators Forum Co-coordinators for Aug. 2021- July 2022

The Central Coordinator's Group is requesting nominations and volunteers for both co-coordinator positions to be voted on during the upcoming June 17th meeting. Rachel Konrady and Leah Mikulsky will be stepping down from the co-coordinator roles after the June 17th meeting.

This is an excellent opportunity for networking and to expand your knowledge on stormwater and permit-related topics. Co-coordinators will work with Laurie Larson-Pugh to develop meeting content, plan and host bi-monthly meetings, and coordinate with regional groups and stormwater professionals. The commitment is for a one-year term. Meetings will continue virtually for the remainder of 2021 and into 2022 to be conscientious of our attendees' time.

We are happy to accept any meeting feedback to continue to provide relevant topics and effective meetings to permit coordinators. It has been a pleasure to be your Central co-coordinators over this past year!

REGIONAL PERMIT COORDINATOR MEETINGS: Contact Laurie Larson for meeting information. For more information on the Regional Stormwater Coordinator Groups visit: <https://www.wastormwatercenter.org/permit-assistance/municipal/877-2/>

Central NPDES Permit Coordinators Forum

June 17, 2021 1-3:30

ROAD Map (Regional Operations and Maintenance Program)

June 16, 2021 1:00-3:30pm The co-coordinators are meeting 5/13/21 to plan the next meeting. If you have agenda ideas please send them to Laurie Larson.

South Sound Phase II Coordinator's Group

July 15, 2021 9:00-11:00am

Business Inspection Group (BIG)

June 15, 2021 1:30-3:30pm

RESOURCES:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has approximately \$6.5 billion in credit that could finance over \$13 billion in water infrastructure projects through the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program. \$5.5 billion is available through the WIFIA program and \$1 billion is available through EPA's SWIFIA program. Only State water infrastructure authorities are eligible to submit a Letter of Interest for SWIFIA. Prospective borrowers seeking WIFIA credit assistance must submit a letter of interest by July 23, 2021 and State infrastructure finance authorities seeking SWIFIA credit assistance must submit a letter by June 25, 2021. More information at:

<https://www.epa.gov/wifia/what-wifia>

UW Climate Impact Group Online Tool

The UW Climate Impacts Group has released an online tool to help stormwater and wastewater managers in the Northwest design and operate with climate change in mind. Developed in collaboration with the City of Portland, City of Gresham and Clackamas County, all in Oregon — and building on previous collaborations in Washington State — the tool provides new localized projections of changing heavy rain events through the end of the 21st century.

Are you a water utility manager interested in learning more about how to use the tool? Join UW Climate Impacts Group scientists Harriet Morgan and Guillaume Mauger and King County's Bob Swarner for an informational webinar Thursday, May 20. Morgan and Mauger will provide an introduction to the tool, and Swarner will describe how King County is using the projections in wastewater planning.

Check out the tool: <https://data.cig.uw.edu/picea/stormwater/pub/viz/>

Project Paper: <https://cig.uw.edu/projects/heavy-precipitation-projections-for-use-in-stormwater-planning/>

Adopt A Drain

Coming soon to the Washington/Puget Sound region is the Adopt A Storm Drain program <https://adopt-a-drain.org/> designed by Hamline University using Community Based Social Marketing and focused on participants regularly removing pollutants from their adopted storm drain. Seattle and a few other STORM jurisdictions have joined the program. If you are interested in learning more and want to find out how to join contact Susan.Harper@seattle.gov

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

Aligning Across Watersheds: A Regional Stormwater Summit May 18 & 19, 2021 9am-1pm virtual

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Polluted stormwater is the single largest threat to Puget Sound. The declines in salmon and orca populations, climate changes, and the recognition that we must do more to restore communities of color, all call for new approaches. Join in seeking new ways to value and protect our communities and the rains that sustain them. Register at: <https://www.stormwatersummit.com/register>
Here is the agenda: <http://www.stormwatersummit.com/agenda>

Michigan Environmental Justice C May 18-20, 2021 conference free event

More information at: https://www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3308_3333-551173--,00.html

Fostering Sustainable and Healthy Behavior Workshops Doug McKenzie-Mohr

June 1-10, 2021 fee based Introductory & Advanced Workshops: <https://cbsm.com/workshops/virtual-north-america-2021>

ECOSS Municipal & Industrial Stormwater Training

Due to the ongoing Washington State COVID-19 Stay Home, Stay Healthy order, ECOSS is currently offering its stormwater training classes as an online webinar series. We believe this will help you accommodate your program's training needs. These classes help cities meet Municipal staff training requirements for the Phase I and II NPDES Stormwater permits.

Municipal Training: <https://ecoss.org/projects/municipal-stormwater/>

Industrial Training: <https://ecoss.org/projects/industrial-stormwater/>

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

City of Mill Creek surface Water Engineer. The City of Mill Creek is in an exciting new stage of reorganization. The Public Works and Development Services Department provides vital services to the community of Mill Creek, combining planning, economic development, and public works. The newly constituted Public Works Engineering team, comprised of the City Engineer, Project Engineer, and Surface Water Engineer, will have the opportunity to contribute to a city organization that is aligned with best practices, efficiency, technical advancements, and innovation. More information and application at:

https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=21af4cef-ad68-43a5-8798-5038bfb9e371&ccId=19000101_000001&type=MP&lang=en_US

City of Kent Senior Ecologist in Public works Department. Are you a dedicated professional who is passionate about the environment, particularly efforts to enhance environmental quality? Are you familiar with city codes and state, tribal, and federal regulations regarding natural resources management, critical areas requirements, and restoration/mitigation site construction standards? If you are a highly motivated and detail-oriented individual who can identify potential environmental problem areas and provide recommendations for solutions, this position may be perfect for you! more information and to apply: <https://jobs.kentwa.gov/senior-ecologist/job/16267441>

King County Stormwater Source Control Program Manager. To apply for the position, please use this <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kingcounty/jobs/3071452/water-quality-planner-project-manager-stormwater-source-control-program-manager?keywords=planner%20&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

King County Water Quality Planner IV and is in charge of our pollution prevention program which includes the business inspection program, responding to water quality complaints and conducting code enforcement actions. To apply for the position, please use this link:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/kingcounty/jobs/3071452/water-quality-planner-project-manager-stormwater-source-control-program-manager?keywords=planner%20&pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

City of DuPont Stormwater Specialist is under the supervision of the Public Works Director, performs a variety of technical and administrative tasks to support and coordinate compliance with the Municipal Stormwater NPDES Phase II Program which governs stormwater permits, discharges, and related environmental regulatory requirements.

Link to more information:

[https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/duPontwa/jobs/3058218/storm-water-specialist_!!JmPEgBYOHMSzNaDT!8-oPm5DxLSsnv9s1RiRRF3Rf3YPQAwEw2jHLmarFAfuXY4412iEMUIT-taHKxWvy6bBPjM5q\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/duPontwa/jobs/3058218/storm-water-specialist_!!JmPEgBYOHMSzNaDT!8-oPm5DxLSsnv9s1RiRRF3Rf3YPQAwEw2jHLmarFAfuXY4412iEMUIT-taHKxWvy6bBPjM5q$)

Pierce County:

Pierce County is hiring a **Water Quality Planner 2!** This position is open until filled, but we are hoping to fill it very soon. Our first review of applications will be on May 10th.

Are you interested in helping to develop and implement plans and programs that lead to cleaner and healthier streams, rivers and lakes in Pierce County? Would you like to help identify projects that preserve and enhance natural spaces for our community? Pierce County Surface Water Management is hiring a Water Quality Planner 2 to help develop and implement water quality and stormwater management plans, and work with community members to understand water quality and habitat issues in streams, lakes, and marine areas in Pierce County. Your work will also support salmon recovery, shellfish recovery, and watershed councils throughout Pierce County. This is a unique opportunity to make a big impact to your community and the environment.

Follow this link for the position details: [Job Opportunities | Pierce County Employment Opportunities \(governmentjobs.com\)](#)

Pierce County WQ1 Extra Hire position has posted and will close on 5/16/2021. part time position.

More information at:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/piercecountywa/jobs/3063506/planner-2-water-quality?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

Pierce County SWM Civil Engineer 1 with Planning & Public Works, surface Water Management. More information at: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/piercecountywa/jobs/3050734/civil-engineer-1-surface-water-manager-capital-improvement-projects?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs>

City of SeaTac for a Water Quality Technician. The posting is open until filled. For more information:

<https://www.seatacwa.gov/our-city/employment/job-opportunities>

Dept. of Ecology Stormwater Grant and Loan Financial Specialist (Environmental Specialist 3) – Lacey, WA. The Water Quality Program is looking for a new member for our grants and loans team. In this position you will address non-point source pollution and stormwater management by providing

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technical and financial assistance to local governments, tribal governments, and non-profits that have been awarded funding for water quality improvement projects. To Apply:

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/washington/jobs/3055362/stormwater-grants-financial-specialist-environmental-specialist-3>