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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 informational information and attachments. Please share with others who could use the information. **By: Laurie Larson**

News

Save the Date for MuniCon May 20 & 21, 2025!

MuniCon 2025 will be hosted at the Hilton Vancouver, in Vancouver, WA. Information will be posted as it is available on the [MuniCon website](#).

Salmon Defense Salmon Warriors Campaign

We are the Billy Frank Jr. Salmon Coalition (aka fellow Salmon Warriors) and we are 100% dedicated to protecting salmon in Washington state. The coalition is made up of a diverse group of past, present, and future tribal leaders, environmental scientists, local and state officials, recreational fishermen, attorneys, conservation groups and industry. [Learn more here](#). You can view the videos on YouTube here ([4-min video](#) and [30-sec commercial](#)), a [Seattle Times article](#) and [story on KING 5 News](#).

The Department of Ecology is proposing changes to aquatic life toxics criteria in chapter 173-201A Washington Administrative Code (WAC), Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters. Click [HERE](#) for details. To submit a comment on the proposed rule change by 4/17/24, click [HERE](#).

The Stormwater SIL is pleased to announce the opening of the grant application period for proposals to explore innovative best management practice (BMP) installations in toxic hotspots and transportation areas to reduce or eliminate priority toxics including 6PPD, 6PPD-Q, and PCBs.

Given the need for stormwater retrofits in Puget Sound, we are specifically looking for proposals to test BMP effectiveness to remove or reduce priority toxics, that are cost effective, easily deployable, and have reasonable operations and maintenance costs. A BMP that reduces multiple toxics would be a plus.

The grant solicitation with eligibility and proposal requirements, along with the application materials, can be found on the [Stormwater SIL Funding Opportunities webpage](#). Applications will be accepted between March 20 and May 22.

For questions about this funding opportunity please contact the solicitation coordinator, Dustin Bilhimer (dustin.bilhimer@ecy.wa.gov). **A virtual pre-application webinar will be held on March 27 from 2-3pm**, and there will be virtual technical assistance webinars in April and May. Details and registration information for these virtual meetings will be

posted on the Stormwater SIL Funding webpage.

News State, National & Legislative Update

NMSA and WEF [Save the Date: National Stormwater Policy Forum on April 8](#)

The annual WEF/NMSA Stormwater Policy Forum will take place April 8 in Washington, D.C. during [Water Week 2024 \(April 7–13\)](#). This half-day event will bring attendees up to speed with today's most critical national policy matters affecting stormwater management, giving stormwater professionals the opportunity to engage legislators and federal regulators on their current priorities. Registration for the 2024 Stormwater Policy Forum is open now for both [virtual](#) and [in-person attendees](#).

Equitable Language Guide from Public Health – Seattle & King County

The Equitable Language Guide is a tool co-created by the Communications Team and staff throughout Public Health – Seattle & King County (PHSKC) to make sure that the way we talk and write respects and represents people's experiences, using words they feel best describe them. In particular, this guide supports our staff in using equitable and inclusive language that resonates with and centers the diverse people we serve. It includes:

- best practices
- guidance for language considerations for public health topics, issues, and community groups
- resources and links for more learning
- glossary

Find the most recent version of the Equitable Language Guide for Public Health – Seattle & King County in the resources on the Office of Equity and Community Partnerships [web page](#) or using this link: [PHSKC Equitable Language Guide \(kingcounty.gov\)](#). Please feel to share with your colleagues and partners!

Water Environment Federation's Annual MS4 Awards Program is Accepting Applications!

The WEF National MS4 Awards aims to recognize communities with high-performing stormwater management programs. In cooperation with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), these awards recognize high-performing Phase I and Phase II MS4 programs that exceed regulatory requirements through innovative solutions and green infrastructure practices that are technically effective and financially efficient. Application deadline: June 7, 2024. [Learn more and Apply](#). For more information, please contact Lisa Deason at ideason@wef.org.

Peer to Peer Permittee Request for Information

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 May 17, 2024, 9:00am-12:00pm

Central NPDES Permit Coordinators Forum April 18, 2024, 1:00-3:30 pm

ROAD Map (Regional Operations and Maintenance Program) April 11, 2024, 1:00-3:30 pm Virtual

South Sound Phase II Coordinator's Group April 25, 2024, 9:00-11:00 am

Business Inspection Group (BIG) April 16, 2024, 1:30-3:30 pm

STORM Quarterly meeting May 16, 2024, 9 am- noon at the Center for Urban Waters, Tacoma in-person.

Resources

Pierce County/Puyallup River Watershed Council - Watershed Small Grants Deadline April 30, 2025

This program provides small grants to nonprofit organizations, schools, teachers, businesses, and individuals wishing to enhance water quality and habitats in the Puyallup-White River Watershed (WRIA 10). This program is a partnership with Pierce County and the [Puyallup River Watershed Council](#). For more information visit [here](#).

SAM Mobile Business Study NEW outreach materials now available on the [WSC website here](#).

One of the deliverables of this SAM Mobile Business study was 3 outreach brochures for three different types of mobile business activities: mobile auto repair, landscaping, and pressure washing. These brochures are intended for municipal stormwater staff to give to mobile businesses during source control inspections. Each brochure is available in print and web versions and has been translated into Spanish. contact [Todd Hunsdorfer](#), King Co.

The complete study documents are available on the [SAM website](#).

Tacoma Nature Conservancy Templates for Retrofits

Site Screening and Selection Guide for High-Impact Stormwater Treatment [SOW Template](#)

Site Screening and Selection Guide for High-Impact Stormwater [Case Studies](#)

[Plain Text Site Screening and Selection Guide for High-Impact Stormwater Treatment](#)

Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department & Natural Yard Care webinar series April 10, 17, & 24. [Find more information here.](#)

[Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Survey of Small and Mid-sized Cities Report January 2024](#)

Workshops/ Trainings/ Conferences

Water Environmental Federation and the National Municipal Stormwater Alliance (NMSA) are co-leading the National Stormwater Policy Forum April 8, 2024. Virtual Options please go to https://nlc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMudOytpzMvG9OVxpgAKbQmJfmcj9_CGEGa#/registration.

[The Center for Watershed Protection's National Conference April 8-11 in Kansas City, MO.](#)

[Join the Water Research Center's free online lunchtime seminar series](#) where we'll hear from the 2022-23 seed grant recipients and learn more about water resource issues and research in Washington State.

- Thursday, April 18: Integrating Agricultural Water Use into Climate Change Impact Assessments

CESCL Training in Wenatchee WA by CWT Training Academy April 23-24, 2024 [View location and schedule here.](#)

[2024 National Tribal Leaders Climate Summit](#) hosted by The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians.

Registration is now open for this pivotal event, which will occur from April 15 to 17th, 2024.

EPA Tools & Resources Webinar: Tire Crumb Research April 17, 2024. [Register here.](#)

Esri Training GIS for Climate Action May 1-June 12, 2024

Our no-cost massive open online course (MOOC) explores how GIS is being used now to prepare for a future that requires resilient systems, infrastructure, and communities. [Find more information here.](#)

[NEBC Northwest Remediation Conference May 2, 2024 7:30-5:00pm Tacoma, WA](#)

Fostering Sustainable Behavior Workshop - Doug McKenzie-Mohr June 3-5, 2024, Virtual, Fee Based

This virtual workshop will particularly interest agencies that promote waste reduction, energy and water efficiency, conservation, sustainable food consumption, invasive species control, electrification, modal transportation changes, and other sustainable actions. View registration information [here](#).

Online Courses

American Waterworks Association CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN - PFAS Self-paced Course Fee \$139.00

The purpose of this course is to provide important information on the scope of the PFAS issue as it relates to drinking water. It covers EPA's integrated approach to PFAS including requirements and best practices for water monitoring, testing, treatment, disposal, and stakeholder communication. [Register here.](#)

CWT Academy is pleased to announce the release of our industrial or multi-sector stormwater management series! [View courses here.](#)

Job Opportunities

Anacortes is hiring a Stormwater Program Manager view the listing [here.](#)

Federal Way is hiring a Water Quality specialist position.

Seattle Public Utilities is hiring for a Spill Response, Prevention, and Enforcement Supervisor. Closes on 4/9. [Spill Response, Prevention, and Enforcements Supervisor \(Civil Engrng Spec Supv\) | Job Details tab | Career Pages \(governmentjobs.com\)](#)

[The City of Mukilteo is currently recruiting for the following position: Surface Water Technician](#)

[City of Vancouver is hiring a Technical Engineering Supervisor that closes April 16.](#) This position will oversee and manage programs in Stormwater Engineering specifically related to Water Resource Protection: Source Control, Erosion Control, Stormwater Facility Maintenance, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination.

King County job openings:

- [Clean Heat Program Coordinator](#) OSE is recruiting a Clean Heat Program Coordinator (a full-time Sunset position which is budgeted until July 31, 2026) where you would play a pivotal role facilitating the transition from fossil fuel heating and other appliances to clean energy solutions.
- [Strategic Grants Funding Advisor & Planner](#) OSE is recruiting a Clean Heat Program Coordinator (a full-time Sunset position which is budgeted until July 31, 2026) where you would play a pivotal role facilitating the transition from fossil fuel heating and other appliances to clean energy solutions.

Everett is seeking candidates for a new Surface Water Plan Reviewer position. See this link for more information and to apply: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/everettwa/jobs/4397474/surface-water-plan-reviewer-associate-engineer-pe-or-associate-engineer-npe>

Ecology is currently recruiting:

- [Lead Permit Developer/Facility Manager\(Environmental Specialist 4\) position.](#)
 - [Contaminated Site Specialist \(Environmental Specialist 5\)](#)
 - [Stormwater Monitoring Engineer](#) who leads the Stormwater Action Monitoring Program. Please contact Leslie Connelly at leslie.connelly@ecy.wa.gov or (360)628-4381 if you have questions about this position.
 - [Permit Coordinator and Information Specialist \(Environmental Specialist 3\) position.](#) This position is located in our Central Region Office (CRO) in Union Gap, WA. Upon hire, you must live within a commutable distance from the duty station.
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