



Proclamation

Office of the Mayor, City of Mukilteo

Washington Stormwater Awareness Week November 9-16, 2024

WHEREAS, stormwater comes from precipitation that falls on hard surfaces and does not soak into the ground, becoming runoff. Runoff stormwater becomes polluted (tire wear particles and vehicle fluids, fertilizers, pesticides, bacteria, sediments, litter, and/or pet waste) as it runs along roads, sidewalks, parking lots, roofs, and lawns; and

WHEREAS, runoff flows into the storm sewer that eventually flows untreated into waterways (rivers, streams, lakes, and Puget Sound); and

WHEREAS, plants and soil filter water and improve water quality. Onsite improvements, such as porous pavement, stormwater ponds, native vegetation, rain gardens, bioswales, and other best management practices, help with pollution prevention and treatments stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, Washington State is a leader in promoting pollution prevention and mitigation for our stormwater discharges; and

WHEREAS, by focusing attention on pollution prevention in stormwater runoff, Washington State will continue to meet the challenges associated with polluted runoff; and

WHEREAS, Stormwater Awareness Week is an opportunity for local government, industry, and environmental organizations to recognize the potential of stormwater pollution prevention within our urban land scape, rivers, lakes, streams and other water bodies.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Joe Marine, Mayor of the City of Mukilteo, hereby proclaim the week of November 9 - 16, 2024 as *Stormwater Awareness Week* in the City of Mukilteo and call upon each citizen and business to protect our water bodies by participating in stormwater awareness events and activities.



Signed this 4th Day of November, 2024

Joe Marine
Mayor