

January 2015 Permit Writer's Manual

Ecology revised the Water Quality Permit Writer's Manual in January 2015.

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List of Updates:

- Major reformatting to improve readability, electronic use, and file stability
- Roman numerals replaced and appendices reorganized to letter designations
- New Appendix E describing the TMDL/permit relationship
- Major revisions to Appendix C on mixing zone guidance
- New section on the general permit writing process added to Chapter 2
- New section on double-lined non-discharging lagoons in Chapter 8
- Revisions and new language in response to EPA's sufficiently sensitive methods rule
- Significant revisions to mixing guidance for stormwater and CSO treatment plants
- Bacteria limit calculation guidance added to Chapter 6, Section 3.2.2
- Permit issuance and public notice content revisions in Chapter 15
- BMP plan guidance revised to correct reference in Chapter 12, Section 3
- Revised language in Chapter 3 on clean-up sites and NPDES permits
- Corrected footnotes in LUST clean-up site guidance tables

Questions?

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