

STORMWATER WORK GROUP

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Wednesday, May 1, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
USGS, 934 Broadway, Tacoma 98402

Draft Agenda

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Discuss the Effectiveness Subgroup's proposed update of our recommended list of RSMP studies
2. Discuss SIDIR Subgroup IDDE incident tracking form for SIDIR Results/Findings and next steps for the form and for SIDIR Methods/Approaches
3. Hear an update on Ecology's process for hiring an RSMP program manager and revising the RSMP cost-sharing agreement
4. Hear from our subgroups about the status of implementing our 2013-2014 work plan
5. Discuss messages and timing for next SWG Reporter
6. Hear from PSEMP about progress, coordination needs, and other topics of interest
7. Hear other updates related to our work

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9:00 Welcome, introductions, and review the meeting's agenda and goals

9:10 Discuss new recommendations for RSMP Effectiveness Studies

- *At our last meeting we heard from the consultant team that synthesized the findings of the 2011 stormwater management program effectiveness study literature review. The final papers are posted at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/psmonitoring/swgreports.html>*
- *The Effectiveness Subgroup considered the findings and revised the list. Their new proposal was sent as an attachment to the agenda. The work group expects to approve a revised list and submit it to Ecology in June 2013 so that it is available for permittees to review in advance of their decisions to opt in or out of the RSMP effectiveness studies component.*
- *What comments do work group members have? Do work group members wish to provide direction for the subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

10:15 Break

10:30 Discuss recent progress by the SWG SIDIR Subgroup

- *At our meeting in January we discussed the Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR) Subgroup's recommendations for moving forward to create the two components of SIDIR: IDDE Methods/Approaches and Results/Findings.*
- *Since then, the subgroup and Ecology's permit managers have coordinated to identify necessary content for incident tracking and developed a draft form to provide data for Results/Findings analysis. The draft form is out for public comment through May 3. A final form should be out to permittees this fall.*
- *Future subgroup work to identify next steps for Methods/Approaches will begin following release of the IDDE Field Screening Manual.*
- *What comments do work group members have? Do we have further direction for the subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

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11:00 Hear about Ecology's progress on RSMP administration

- *To implement the RSMP, Ecology needs to hire a program manager. Ecology also promised, in issuing final permits, to enter into cost-sharing agreements with any permittee who requests one. What is the status and timeline for developing a position description and revising the cost-sharing agreement?*
- *What comments and questions do work group members have? Does the work group wish to provide direction for the Pooled Resources Oversight Subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:20 Discuss status of our Work Plan implementation

- *Our subgroups continue to make progress toward achieving the goals established in our work plan for 2013-2014. What information or updates, aside from our previous agenda item discussions, do subgroups have to share today?*
 - *Agricultural Runoff: met March 4 to develop effectiveness monitoring recommendations*
 - *Communication: discussed in the next agenda item – chair still vacant*
 - *Effectiveness: discussed in a previous agenda item*
 - *Marine Nearshore Status and Trends: no activity to report – chair still vacant*
 - *Pooled Resources Oversight: no activity to report*
 - *Roads and Highways: met April 23 to develop proposals and recommendations*
 - *Small Streams Status and Trends: stream gauging analysis findings coming in June*
 - *Source ID Information Repository: discussed in a previous agenda item*
 - *Work Plan: no activity since completing work plan updates*
- *Do work group members wish to provide additional direction for our subgroups?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:35 Discuss timing and messages for next issue of "SWG Reporter"

- *At our last meeting we agreed that the SWG Reporter should go out soon after most work group meetings. The most recent issue of the SWG Reporter went out on April 10. The next issue might include information about:*
 - *New recommended list of effectiveness studies is under consideration*
 - *Final effectiveness study literature review synthesis reports are available on-line*
 - *Illicit discharge incident tracking form content is being finalized*
 - *RSMP status and trends monitoring plans and coordination with other efforts*
- *Do work group members have suggestions for other topics to include in the next update? When should it go out? Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:40 PSEMP coordination and other coordinated monitoring updates

- *On April 11 Karen briefed the Toxics Workgroup on SWG's strategic framework, the RSMP, and ways we would like to coordinate with other PSEMP workgroups. Jay Davis is our liaison to that workgroup.*
- *On April 18 the Leadership Council discussed stormwater monitoring during a "report card forum."*
- *The Habitat Monitoring Subgroup of the Salmon Recovery Monitoring Workgroup released a new monitoring plan that recommends building on the RSMP and statewide EMAP monitoring.*
- *What decisions have been made by the steering committee, or will be made at future meetings, on which the work group might want to provide input? What are the other topical workgroups discussing and what are our related plans, needs and interests?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:55 Recap of Today's Meeting and Hear Other Updates

- *Summarize decisions, action items, and next steps from today's meeting*
- *Are there other activities, decisions, or upcoming events of which work group members should be aware?*

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12:00 Adjourn

NEXT SWG MEETING AND EXPECTED AGENDA TOPICS

June 12 from 9am to 12pm at the USGS Office in Tacoma, with possible extended hours as needed:

- *Approve updated recommendations for RSMP Effectiveness Studies*
- *Hear findings of Streamflow Gaging Network Analyses*
- *Discuss Roads and Highways monitoring recommendations*

Other meetings scheduled for this calendar year: **September 18** and **November 13**

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