

STORMWATER WORK GROUP

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Wednesday, November 14, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
USGS, 934 Broadway, Tacoma 98402

Draft Agenda

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Approve recommendations for monitoring nutrients and bacteria from agricultural livestock
2. Hear about initial work of the Roads and Highways Subgroup
3. Discuss new recommendations for the Source Identification Information Repository
4. Hear about PSEMP including workgroups' gap identification and prioritization
5. Hear from our subgroups about the status of implementing and updating our current work plan
 - a. Hear about coordinating our small streams status and trends monitoring with other PSEMP workgroups
 - b. Discuss data management needs and timing for new recommendations
 - c. Confirm our meeting schedule for 2013
6. Discuss messages and timing for next SWG Reporter
7. Nominate chair and vice chair for the work group for the coming two years
8. 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 Approve agricultural runoff monitoring recommendations

- *At our last meeting, the work group discussed new recommendations for livestock nutrient and bacteria monitoring from the SWG Agricultural Runoff Subgroup. The subgroup met October 12 and revised the recommendations.*
- *The subgroup plans to develop effectiveness monitoring recommendations for work group discussion in early 2013. What is the subgroup's plan to address monitoring of nutrients from croplands and of pharmaceuticals used on livestock?*
- *What comments do work group members have? Do work group members approve the recommendations? Do work group members wish to provide direction for the subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

9:45 Hear about initial work of the SWG Roads and Highways Subgroup

- *We officially launched this new subgroup at our meeting on May 16 and directed the subgroup to take a holistic approach to defining monitoring needs related to roads and highways across the full spectrum of urban to rural roads in Puget Sound, and to make specific recommendations as to how WSDOT's permit-required monitoring should address a subset of those needs. The big picture of monitoring needs should include status and trends monitoring in receiving waters, effectiveness studies, and source control.*
- *Larry Schaffner of WSDOT has been leading the new subgroup, and recruited broadly for members. The subgroup has shared background information and is developing a work plan and schedule for communicating lessons learned and developing new recommendations.*
- *What comments do work group members have? Do work group members wish to provide direction for the subgroup?*
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10:15 Discuss New Recommendations for the Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR)

- *The SWG Source Identification Subgroup met October 3 and developed new recommendations for identifying initial content for the Methods/Resources and Results/Findings components of the repository that will be created and maintained using permittee funds.*
 - *At our last meeting, we discussed a first draft literature review report submitted as part of a National Estuary Project grant. A revised draft report by V. Monsey, K. Marx, and J. Baker was submitted to Ecology on October 1 and many comments from the subgroup on the first draft remained unaddressed as of the grant expiration date November 1.*
 - *The subgroup's new recommendations focus on SIDIR building upon the King County/Herrera IDDE Field Screening Manual GROSS grant project by (1) adding additional source identification methods, (2) adding source removal methods, and (3) figuring out what data to gather to support regional approaches to reduce sources.*
- *What comments do work group members have? Do work group members wish to provide direction for the subgroup? What revisions or modifications are needed in order to approve the recommendations at our next work group meeting?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

10:45 Break

11:00 Hear updates from the Puget Sound Ecosystem Monitoring Program (PSEMP)

- *Steering Committee Chair Rob Duff plans to join today's discussion.*
- *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? How is gap identification and prioritization progressing?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:10 Status of Our Work Plan Implementation and Updates for 2013-2014

- *Our subgroups continue to make progress toward achieving our goals. What progress, aside from our previous agenda item discussions, have subgroups made? What are subgroup members' and work group members' ideas for update their work plans for 2013 and 2014?*
 - *Agricultural Runoff: discussed in previous agenda item*
 - *Communication: will review effectiveness literature review syntheses talking points in spring 2013 and will continue to develop and review SWG Reporter issues*
 - *Effectiveness: subgroup will next meet when draft synthesis papers are ready to review; will help develop RFPs for recommended studies and make data management recommendations*
 - *Marine Nearshore Status and Trends: subgroup will next meet after mussel cages are deployed, will make data management recommendations and review mussel and bacteria QAPPs in first half of 2013, may help develop RFPs for data collection in second half of 2013. Need to make a recommendation as to whether RSMP will sample native or caged mussels.*
 - *Pooled Resources Oversight: subgroup will develop recommendations for the RSMP project manager position; will review revised Ecology cost sharing agreement with permittees*
 - *Roads and Highways: discussed in previous agenda item*
 - *Small Streams Status and Trends: On October 31 the PSEMP Salmon Recovery Workgroup's Habitat Monitoring Subgroup met with members of the SWG Small Streams Status and Trends Oversight Subgroup and the PSEMP Freshwater Workgroup to discuss overlap and coordination of RSMP monitoring with salmon recovery monitoring and other freshwater monitoring*
 - *Source ID Information Repository: discussed in previous agenda item*
 - *Work Plan: subgroup will compile updated work plan in December-January*

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- *Our 2010 Strategy includes recommendations for data management. As implementation of the Regional Stormwater Monitoring Program (RSMP) approaches, what data management structures do we know the program can rely upon, and what gaps need to be filled? What ideas and suggestions do work group members have? Do work group members wish to provide direction for the technical subgroups overseeing RSMP data collection?*
- *We should have a revised work plan ready for discussion at our first meeting in 2013 and approval at our second meeting. Do work group members wish to provide additional direction for our subgroups to develop updates?*
- *May we confirm our schedule for work group meetings in 2013? The proposed dates are listed below.*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:45 Discuss timing and messages for next issue of “SWG Reporter”

- *The latest issue of the SWG Reporter went out on October 29. The next issue might include information about our subgroups and our work plan for 2013-2014. Do work group members have suggestions for topics to include in the next update? When should it go out?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:50 Accept nominations for work group chair and vice chair

- *Who is nominated for chair and vice-chair of the work group for a 2-year term beginning in February?*

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?*

12:00 Adjourn

PROPOSED SWG MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2013

All Wednesdays from 9am to 2pm at the USGS Office in Tacoma:
January 16, March 20, June 12, September 18, November 13

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