

STORMWATER WORK GROUP

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Wednesday, July 20, 2011 9:00 a.m. – noon
Tacoma Central Treatment Plant Visitor Center
2201 Portland Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98421

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Draft Agenda

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Discuss feedback we received on our Draft Pooled Resources Oversight Committee Charter
2. Hear about new findings and provide feedback for moving status and trends monitoring forward
3. Discuss preliminary list of effectiveness study topics and initial findings of literature review
4. Discuss status of implementing our work plan
5. Decide on messages and timing for our next "SWG Reporter" email update
6. Hear about PSP activities and task subgroup to work on Action Agenda Updates
7. Hear updates related to our work

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9:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Review the Meeting's Agenda and Goals

9:10 Summary & Discussion of Comments on Draft Pooled Resources Oversight Committee Charter

- *The comment period on our preliminary draft charter ended July 11. What did we hear?*
- *What direction can we provide to the Pooled Resources Oversight Subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

9:25 New Findings and Moving Forward with our Streams Status and Trends Recommendations

- *Chris Konrad will present findings of the small stream flow gauging network analysis*
- *The small stream subgroup reviewed a draft QAPP for the water quality, habitat, and stream benthos data collection effort*
- *What guidance do SWG members have for the subgroups?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

9:55 New Findings and Moving Forward with our Nearshore Status and Trends Recommendations

- *Two presentations of recent technical findings will be heard and discussed:*
 - *Maggie Dutch: analysis of nearshore sediment chemistry data inside/outside UGA boundaries*
 - *Jim West: feasibility analysis of mussel sampling in UGAs and power analysis of existing data*

- *At its two meetings since our last work group meeting, the nearshore subgroup discussed various ideas for refining the strata for site selection*
- *What guidance do SWG members have for the subgroups?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

10:55 Break

11:00 Discuss Proposed Ranked List of Effectiveness Study Topics

- *The effectiveness subgroup refined the ranking criteria and ranked the ideas submitted earlier this year by Phase II permittees and others.*
- *The SWG needs to approve a list of recommended study topics at our next meeting September 21 and forward them to Ecology to be referenced in the formal draft municipal stormwater permit.*
- *The literature review search has been conducted and – time permitting – we’ll hear about the initial findings.*
- *What guidance do SWG members have for the subgroup?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:25 Status of 2011-2012 Work Plan Implementation – Hear from our Subgroups

- *Since our last meeting our subgroups have continued making progress toward completing our goals for this year.*
 - *Pooled Resources Oversight:*
 - *Discussed in a previous agenda item.*
 - *Effectiveness:*
 - *Discussed in a previous agenda item.*
 - *Small Stream Status and Trends:*
 - *Discussed in a previous agenda item.*
 - *Marine Nearshore Status and Trends:*
 - *Discussed in a previous agenda item.*
 - *Communication:*
 - *To be discussed in the next agenda item.*
 - *Agricultural Runoff:*
 - *Subgroup met July 13. Carol Smith will provide a summary of the subgroup’s status & next steps.*
 - *Action Agenda Updates:*
 - *SWG subgroup has not met, but some of its members have been involved in PSP’s continuing work on targets and strategies for stormwater. To be discussed in a following agenda item.*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:35 Messages and Timing for next SWG Reporter Email Update

- *Our last SWG Reporter went out May 19. When should we send our next update and what are our important messages?*
- *Are there any comments from non-work group members?*

11:45 Updates on PSP Stormwater and Monitoring Activities

- *The Steering Committee for the ecosystem monitoring program met for the second time July 7. Rob Duff was selected as chair and Kate Litle as vice-chair.*

- *PSP continues to work on strategies and targets for addressing pressure on the ecosystem from runoff from developed lands and land conversion. A workshop was held June 28 and the small group teeing up stormwater near-term actions met July 12.*

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

- *Summarize decisions, action items, and next steps from today's meeting.*
 - *What subgroups are meeting in the coming months?*
- *Are there other activities, decisions, or upcoming events of which work group members should be aware?*

12:00 Adjourn

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND PLANNED DISCUSSION TOPICS

August 2011: *no work group meeting scheduled*

Wednesday, September 21, 2011 from 9-12 at the USGS office in Tacoma:

- Discuss draft effectiveness study literature review document
- Discuss crosswalk between literature review and top-ranked ideas/topics/questions
- Approve final ranked list of topics to recommend to Ecology for the October formal draft permit
- Approve revised draft Oversight Committee charter
- Determine messages and timing for next SWG Reporter
- Hear status of implementing this work plan
- Hear from another monitoring effort: Dave Hallock of Ecology's Environmental Assessment Program on Water Quality Index monitoring.

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