



Pooled Resources Oversight Committee

DRAFT AGENDA

Tuesday, September 9, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

USGS, 934 Broadway, Tacoma 98402

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Permittee representatives:

- Will Appleton, Chair
- Ben Parrish
- Jim Simmonds
- Kelly Uhacz

Other stakeholder representatives:

- Chris Konrad, Vice Chair
- Tom Putnam
- Bruce Wulkan

Permittee alternates:

- Heather Kibbey
- Kit Paulsen
- Bill Reilly
- Carla Vincent

Other stakeholder alternates:

- Abby Barnes
- Jay Davis
- Katelyn Kinn

RSMP Coordinator:

- Brandi Lubliner

SWG Staff:

- Karen Dinicola

THE COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Committee is to provide transparency, efficiency, and accountability of the expenditure of the Pooled Fund for the Regional Stormwater Monitoring Program (RSMP). The Committee will provide feedback to Ecology through the Stormwater Work Group (SWG) regarding the schedule, scope, budget, and quality of the program's deliverables and verify that contracts are implemented.

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Budget report:
 - a. Discuss draft quarterly report and provide feedback for annual reports
 - b. Review most recent monthly reports
2. Oversight of RSMP Status and Trends monitoring
 - a. Review plans for implementation of RSMP Small Streams Status and Trends Monitoring
3. Oversight of RSMP Effectiveness Studies
 - a. Review proposed scope of work and budget for stage one of paired urban watershed retrofit study
 - b. Hear update on contracting for other effectiveness studies
4. Oversight of Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR)
5. Hear any concerns or suggestions related to our work
6. Review decisions, recommendations, and action items coming out of this meeting

10:00 Welcome, introductions, and review of the meeting's agenda and goals

10:05 Quarterly and annual reporting to this Committee and other audiences

- *At our last meeting we discussed the Committee's needs for reporting from Ecology. A draft quarterly report was developed per the recommendations coming out of that discussion and reviewed by Committee members via email. Overall, the quarterly report was considered appropriate. One interested party suggested adding a*



<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/psmonitoring/swworkgroup.html>; <https://sites.google.com/site/pugetsoundstormwaterworkgroup/home>

background paragraph at the beginning to provide context for audiences outside the committee. The “final” report was distributed as an attachment to the email with this agenda.

- *What features would Committee members like to see in the 2-4 page annual report format and content? What quarterly report information should be repeated? What new information should be added?*

10:30 Oversight of Status and Trends Monitoring

- *A scope of work based on decisions made by the Stormwater Work Group and this Committee over the past several months has been written and distributed to the parties who will be conducting the monitoring: USGS, King County, Thurston County, Skagit County, and Manchester Environmental Laboratory.*
- *On Wednesday, September 3, the “RSMP Stream Monitoring Team” had its first conference call. These calls will continue at least monthly and more often as needed to coordinate the monitoring. Roles and responsibilities are:*
 - *Skagit and Thurston Counties will be conducting the monthly water quality monitoring only.*
 - *King County will conduct monitoring at all sites in King County and some in southern Snohomish County; their lab will also do analyses for water quality on the eastern side of Puget Sound.*
 - *MEL will do the water quality analyses fore the western side, and will coordinate the distribution of the sediment samples to external labs for specialty analyses.*
 - *USGS will do all of the water quality sites not done by the Counties and will do the summer sediment and watershed health sampling at all of those sites plus the sites in Thurston and Skagit Counties.*
 - *Laboratories are being identified for bacteria analyses. A storage site or sites need to be identified for stream benthos samples.*
- *All of the project partners will be visiting their sites this month to see if the reaches have gone dry and to consider what additional plans might be needed for estimating high flows during winter sampling events.*
- *The contracting process for the streams monitoring will continue over the weeks ahead.*
- *What additional information or review do Committee members need in advance of Ecology proceeding with these RSMP contracts?*

11:15 Oversight of RSMP Effectiveness Studies

- *At our last meeting the Committee agreed to move forward with three of the first four projects’ scopes of work. The Committee agreed that the fourth study should be staged as a two-stage project. The first contract would focus on developing a better understood and well-defined scope of work and budget for the study. The study itself would then be implemented as a new project pending approval of the deliverables of the first project.*
- *The contracting process for the other three effectiveness studies is underway.*
- *What additional information or review do Committee members need in advance of Ecology proceeding with finalization of these RSMP contracts?*

11:45 Oversight of Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR)

- *No updates to share today.*

11:50 Concerns or suggestions

- *Are there any other issues or relevant information that Committee members would like to share?*
- *Are there any other issues or relevant information that others present would like to share?*

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



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