



August 10, 2015

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Dear Mrs. Moon:

**SUBJECT: Construction Stormwater General Permit Draft Comment Period
July 1 – August 10, 2015**

The City of Olympia reviewed the proposed draft permit documents for the Construction Stormwater General Permit. We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments to these documents. The City of Olympia is committed to working collaboratively with Ecology and others to address pollution prevention on construction project/activities.

We welcome, appreciate, and support Ecology's work toward clarifying language in the permit. We believe the proposed edits will promote consistency, increase understanding, and ultimately better protect human health, water quality, and aquatic habitat.

The City of Olympia invites Ecology to consider drafting clarifying language for construction projects identified as self-contained. These sites should immediately receive coverage under the permit once a discharge is triggered at the site. We believe this is an ongoing issue occurring throughout the construction community. Applicable language within the permit will help municipalities ensure appropriate coverage under the Construction Stormwater General Permit as well as Municipal Stormwater General Permits.

Thank you for considering our comments. If you have questions or need any additional information, please contact Olympia's Surface Water Quality Planner, Jeremy Graham, at 360.753.8097 or jgraham@ci.olympia.wa.us

Sincerely,

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