
Implementing Maintenance Programs for Pollution Prevention

Getting Started!

Introduction

- Starting from scratch or close to it!
- **When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at Change! - Dr. Wayne Dyer**
- Glenn Akramoff, Interim Public Works Director
Covington, Washington

Key Factors to Implementation

- Political environment
- Education of everyone
- Buy in from all of the players
- Letting others catch Up

We have come a long way!

- The old way vs. Proactive and preventative today!



Getting a Program Started

- Performance based approach vs. Condition based approach (Joe O'Leary – City of Bellevue)
- Beg, borrow and steal good programs that already exist
- Find an easy success
- Build a plan

Key Areas to Focus on

- Sweeping
- System cleaning
- Ditching
- Retention/detention facilities
- Problem identification
- Plan review process
- Mapping

Real Life

- Past lessons learned
- Covington's 18 month journey
 1. Started in-house program April 17, 2006
 2. Mixed service approach
 3. In-house focus
 4. Not elaborate to begin with
- It can be done and not overnight

Staying Away from Overwhelm

- Start at the beginning
- Talk with the leaders in the industry
- Build relationships
- Learn from challenges
- Celebrate successes

Resources

- Department of Ecology
- Association of Washington Cities
- Municipal Research and Services Center
- Some advanced program resources
 1. City of Bellevue
 2. City of Federal Way

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