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Municipal Stormwater Permit Comments  
WA Department of Ecology  
Water Quality Program  
P.O. Box 47696  
Olympia, WA 98504-7696

To Whom It May Concern:

Quadrant Homes appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on Ecology's draft permit language and supporting documentation covering low impact development (LID) and monitoring requirements for the next permit cycle of the Municipal Stormwater General Permits.

Quadrant Homes is a homebuilding subsidiary of Weyerhaeuser and is among the largest builders in the state of Washington. At Quadrant we pride ourselves on our dedication to conservation and sustainability. We are a local company that has a personal stake in our region's land, water and environment. Quadrant has been recognized for its commitment to conservation and sustainability, receiving awards such as the Built Green Large Builder Award, Built Green Foundation Award, and the Association of Washington Business Environmental Award. Quadrant is proud of the recognition we have received for our distinguished history and dedication to environmental stewardship. Quadrant already employs practices to create homes that have a low impact on the environment and is continually identifying new opportunities to improve upon these practices.

We have been engaged in Ecology's process to develop new permit language, including through the involvement of Wally Costello, now retired Sr. Vice President of Quadrant, on Ecology's stakeholder committee. We are deeply concerned by proposed requirements in Ecology's draft permit language, both in the implementation and cost, and have shared our thinking on this issue with one of our key business associations, the Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties. We are writing this letter to express our support of the comments submitted by the MBA.

We will remain engaged on this issue and, if the opportunity arises, are available to discuss our concerns. Or, if you have any questions, please contact Pete Lymberis at (425) 452-6551 or via e-mail at [pete.lymberis@quadranthomes.com](mailto:pete.lymberis@quadranthomes.com). Once again, thank you for the opportunity to comment. We look forward to future discussions on LID and arriving at a workable solution for all stakeholders.

Sincerely,  
QUADRANT HOMES



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