

REISSUANCE OF EASTERN WASHINGTON PHASE II MUNICIPAL STORMWATER PERMIT

INITIAL OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PERMIT LANGUAGE CHANGES FOR THE 2019 PERMIT

LOOK AND READABILITY

The Permit will be reformatted – in most cases taking block paragraphs and creating lists to help with readability.

WHAT'S NOT CHANGING

- No change to the 1 acre threshold
- No significant changes to:
 - controlling runoff from construction/post-construction permit sections
 - Special Conditions S.1-4, General conditions, appendices*
 - *Annual report questions and TMDL requirements will be updated.

PROPOSED DEFINITIONS

Outfall: means a point source, as defined by 40 CFR 122.2, at the point where a discharge leaves the Permittee's MS4 and enters a surface receiving waterbody or surface receiving waters. Outfall does not include pipes, tunnels, or other conveyances which connect segments of the same stream or other surface waters and are used to convey primarily surface waters (i.e., culverts).

Discharge point: means the location where a discharge leaves the Permittee's MS4 through the Permittee's MS4 facilities/BMPs designed to infiltrate.

PUBLIC EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Clarifications to target audiences are proposed, with a program focused on source control at businesses.

ILLCIT DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION

MAPPING

- Known outfalls – document size and material as you update records
- Map permanent stormwater flow control and treatment facilities owned or operated by the Permittee
- Map connections to public MS4s and to private storm systems
- Electronic format required

AUTHORITY

Update to the IDDE compliance strategy (which includes informal compliance actions) to have the authority to require source control BMPs at existing properties where necessary to prevent illicit discharges.



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REPORTING

Standardized online IDDE incident reporting form for the Annual Report.

CONTROLLING RUNOFF FROM CONSTRUCTION/POST-CONSTRUCTION RUNOFF

Consolidated training and recordkeeping requirements into one section each.

MUNICIPAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

More specificity on SWPPPs for material storage areas, heavy equipment storage areas and maintenance areas.

MONITORING AND ASSESMENT

- Continuing studies identified in 2014 permit
- Clarity on participation
- Identify 1 new study to begin implementing at end of permit

