

Update: Process to Develop Water Quality Guidance for Nonpoint Sources



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- Interviews
- Online survey
- Researched other states
- Meetings

What have we done to get input



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Finish Interviews and
Close Survey

Webinar-Present
on what we have
heard and what it
means to process
design

Draft Process

Solicit Feedback on
Draft

Final Process
Completed
December
2016

Start Process to
Develop
Guidance
2017

Next steps



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What we are hearing



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- Many different types of agriculture and agriculture settings.
- Ecology is not the expert on farming and agriculture.
- Ecology is the expert on water quality.

What we are hearing



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- Support for science based evaluation of water quality effectiveness.
- Water quality effectiveness and implementation viability are not the same.

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- Be clear about what works.
- Don't have a moving target.
- Provide guidance on all water quality parameters.
- Stay flexible.
- Stay voluntary.

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- Do not reinvent the wheel.
- NRCS guidance was the most commonly cited source of practices.
- Other guidance is available and should be reviewed.

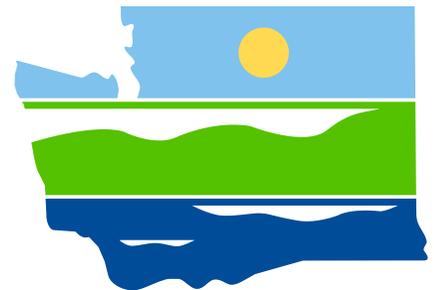
What we are hearing



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- **Learning from past experiences.**

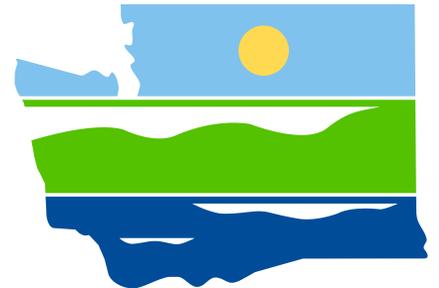
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- **Learning from other states' experiences.**

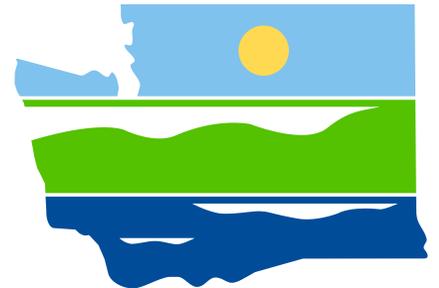
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- **Process fatigue and distrust.**
- **Some optimism.**

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Questions and Discussion

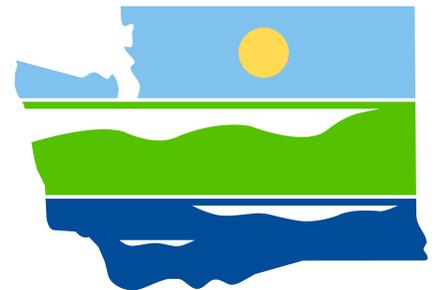


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