



Pooled Resources Oversight Committee

DRAFT AGENDA

Thursday, May 5, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

USGS 3rd floor Columbia Conference Room, 934 Broadway, Tacoma 98402

Permittee representatives:

- Ben Parrish, Chair
- Jim Simmonds
- Theresa Thurlow
- Kelly Uhacz

Permittee alternates:

- Kit Paulsen
- Bill Reilly
- Carla Vincent
- vacant*

RSMP Coordinator:

- Brandi Lubliner

Other stakeholder representatives:

- Abby Barnes
- Leska Fore
- Chris Konrad, Vice Chair

Other stakeholder alternates:

- Jay Davis
- Katelyn Kinn
- Tom Putnam

SWG Staff:

- Karen Dinicola

THE COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Committee is to provide transparency, efficiency, and accountability of the expenditure of the Pooled Fund for the Regional Stormwater Monitoring Program (RSMP). The Committee will provide feedback to Ecology through the Stormwater Work Group (SWG) regarding the schedule, scope, budget, and quality of the program's deliverables and verify that contracts are implemented.

THE MEETING'S GOALS:

1. Discuss annual report – *provide feedback on format and content to RSMP Coordinator for next year's report*
2. Discuss communication proposal from AWC – *provide feedback on budget and tasks to AWC and RSMP Coordinator*
 - At our last meeting the PRO-C asked Karen to approach AWC to get a proposal for RSMP communication support for \$100K-\$150K over the next few years. Andy Myer and Alicia Seegers Martinelli are joining us to present AWC's proposal and hear PRO-C feedback.
 - Discuss what Ecology is doing as administrator, and if there additional outreach needs.
3. Ecology performance as RSMP Administrator – *discussion/decision/action items*
 - At our last meeting in 2015 we agreed on an approach for this committee's assignment to review Ecology's performance as RSMP Administrator. Karen compiled a draft report card for the PRO-C to use as the basis of their review and at our January meeting Karen handed it over to Ben to complete.
 - The draft report card focuses on Ecology's performance per the PRO-C charter in serving the needs and intent of the stakeholders involved in the program and also in implementation of lessons learned. It is structured according to the roles and responsibilities outlined in the charter.
 - The report card also includes an assessment of the PRO-C itself per the roles and responsibilities outlined in the charter.
 - The report card is intended as an attachment to a letter to the SWG and permittees from the PRO-C describing Ecology's performance in the role as RSMP administrator.
 - What are next steps for completing this assignment? How should the draft report card be presented to the SWG at the June 1 meeting?
4. Hear budget report – *brief overall update before going into details below*
 - Status and Trends to date - \$75K (2%) unobligated
 - Effectiveness Studies to date – \$1.3M (22%) unobligated
 - SIDIR to date – \$525K (83%) unobligated



- Communication - \$ Funding for AWC needs to come from one or more of the three above
 - Admin charges to date – still under-charging, agency has wanted to be conservative
5. Oversee RSMP Status and Trends monitoring – *update and discussion of overall budget and contracting status*
- Small Streams Water Quality, Sediment Chemistry, and Watershed Health Monitoring:
 - Water, sediment, and habitat data in EIM-search from correct location, stream benthos data expected from lab in May
 - Stream sediment samples run at a low resolution for PAH (higher detection limit). RSMP Coordinator asked that 10 samples be kept frozen at lab. Because of non-detects, should these be run for higher resolution (lower detection limit), just to see where the detection threshold is for future work (\$6000)? Nearshore will be run at the better (lower detection limit).
 - Data analysis and reporting contracts with USGS and King County are let, work underway, & deliverables to be posted at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/municipal/rsmp/status.html>
 - Optional analysis included in contracts.
 - Mussel Contaminant Monitoring – *update only*
 - Marine Nearshore Sediment Chemistry Monitoring – *update on contracting status/labs/protocols*
 - Marine Shoreline Bacteria Analysis and Interpretation – *update only*
6. Oversee RSMP Effectiveness Studies – *updates only*
- SWG approved process to select second round of studies can begin this month. Needed final SOW and budgets for two King Co projects, the last 2 of the original round. Expected funding available: \$1.3M.
 - Current studies underway:
 - USFWS bioretention toxicity reduction study: just about done, waiting for final invoice
 - Redmond paired basin retrofit study: monitoring underway, behind on 2015 year end deliverables
 - Bellingham bioretention hydrologic performance study: monitoring postponed to fall 2016
 - Lakewood business inspection source control study: poor survey return rate 20%, extend timeframe?
 - King County highway retrofits along Echo Lake: SOW revision won't affect costs in agreement
 - King County/Federal Way bioretention retrofit at Hylebos: monitoring underway
 - Puyallup rain garden study: forming TAC, first deliverable anticipated in June
 - USFWS plants and fungi effects on stormwater water treatment and toxicity: QAPP is first deliverable, anticipated in May
 - King Co PCB Cycling interruption by bioretention soils: about to send SOW to PRO-C
 - King Co catch basin study: SOW voting, some questions on cost
 - Liaison assignments are needed for PCB cycling study by King County.
7. Oversee Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR) – *update only*
- Lakewood IDDE data compilation and analysis: Contractor and Ecology intern working on data entry.
8. SWG discussion of improvements and priorities for future RSMP implementation - *update and discussion*
- At the SWG meeting on March 16, the stakeholders continued to discuss recommendations for Special Condition S8. Monitoring and Assessment in the next municipal stormwater permit cycle.
 - The focus of these discussions is to improve future RSMP implementation. The SWG will vote on a final set of recommendations at the June 1 meeting.
 - Currently, the SWG has consensus regarding the PRO-C recommendation to increase the RSMP administration funding in the next permit cycle to 1.25 FTE as a line item. The SWG current majority position is to maintain the RSMP funding levels at the amounts in the current permit.
9. Hear any concerns or suggestions related to our work
10. Review decisions, recommendations, and action items coming out of this meeting