



## Yakima Regional Stormwater Working Group (RSWG)

### OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

JULY 2018

#### Now is the Time to Speak Up and Be Heard

Two very important documents that guide the ways we manage Stormwater Runoff in Eastern Washington are being revised, and now is your chance to get involved and have your comments heard by the authors.

#### Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington (SWMMEW)

The deadline is quickly approaching for the public comment period for this important stormwater management tool in Eastern Washington. Public comment will be taken by Ecology until **July 25, 2018**. This is your last chance to comment on the document that will guide our work for the next decade. Instructions on how to read or download the latest version of the draft revisions can be found on Ecology's [website](#) or by going to:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Stormwater-permittee-guidance-resources/Stormwater-manuals>

One final overview of the proposed changes will be presented in a webinar by Ecology on July 10th. If you are interested in attending, you can sign up [here](#) or by going to:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Stormwater-permittee-guidance-resources/Stormwater-manuals>

#### Revised Eastern Washington Phase II Stormwater Permit

Ecology's municipal stormwater permit issued to jurisdictions that discharge stormwater into Municipal Separate Stormwater Systems (MS4's) will be revised before July 2019. Ecology has begun the process of taking early input from the public. If you would like to comment, you can find the link [here](#) or by going to:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Permits-certifications/Stormwater-general-permits/Municipal-stormwater->

To find out more information about the use of stormwater BMPs or how you can help, visit the website at <http://www.yakimacounty.us/1732/Stormwater-Management> or scan the QR code below.

**"Thousands have lived without love, not one without water..."**  
~ W.H. Auden



#### Upcoming Events

July 11th  
RSWG Meeting  
(City of Sunnyside, WA)

July 25th  
Deadline for Public Comment  
Stormwater Management  
Manual for Eastern WA

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**Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July!**