



Yakima Regional Stormwater Working Group (RSWG)

RSWG September 5th, 2024, Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, September 5th, 2023 @ 1:00 – 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Sunnyside Fire Station

ATTENDEES: Jeff Morrow (Yakima Valley College)

Jesus (City of Union Gap)

Randy Meloy (Yakima)

Raul Sanchez, Hugo Morales (City of Sunnyside)

Jack Wells (Yakima County)

Guest: Andrea Jedel, Graham Simon (WSDOE)

Items Discussed:

- Event(s) Update:
 - National Night Out: Several municipalities participated with Public Education and Outreach materials.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Central Washington State Fair: Signup sheet has been distributed to all members of the RSWG. Planning to roll out Adopt a Drain program and continue to feature the Shut the Lid campaign.
- Washington State Department of Ecology: Introduction of Graham Simon as new Central Washington Regional Office Stormwater NPDES Coordinator.
- Regional Stormwater Group ILA:
 - Has been signed and executed by all municipalities. Handed out signed copies of agreement.
- Drain Ranger MOA:
 - To be executed this week.
- Adopt A Drain:
 - The decision was made by the group to participate in the Adopt a Drain outreach program
 - Working through contract language with Hamline University and Corporate Counsil
 - Introducing the program out at the CWSF this fall.
- Dumpster PE&O program: Working on a brochure to accompany sticker campaign. Making smaller stickers to home application. Will be handed out at CWSF.
- EWSG PE&O workgroup:
 - WSC is working with a few Permittees on developing a video Stormwater 101 training series. Getting close to finishing, will roll out additional training for more specific audiences.
- Mid-Yakima Basin TMDL: QAPP addendum has been signed and completed by the consultant, involved municipalities and Ecology. Sampling to begin in September, need to set up EIM account to data uploading. Randy M. is working through this process and will share results.
- New Permit Requirements: Talked about several of the new requirements and the updated SWMMEW.

Next Meeting:

The next RSWG meeting will be scheduled for Thursday December 5th, 2024. Location: Yakima County