

# Surface and Stormwater Management Program Advisory Committee Meeting July 19, 2007

Attendees: Dave Tucker, Jayna Ericson, Public Works; Laura Edwards, Greg Johnson, District 3; Paul Dorn, Suquamish Tribe; Melva Hill, Bainbridge Island; Jeff Bauman, Poulsbo; Jeff Adams, Sea Grant; Keith Folkerts, DCD/NR; Joy Garitone, KCD

Introductions were made and new members Greg Johnson and Laura Edwards gave a brief summary of their backgrounds and their interests in joining the Advisory Committee.

New Grant Initiatives/Opportunities: Dave reported that the legislature has setup a series of grant opportunities for cities, counties, etc. in the state. He said the largest bulk is approximately \$19.82 mil ear-marked for capital/construction projects. There is a short turn around period for applications, which are due in September. He also explained that regional projects involving partnerships should rate highly. Also, projects dealing with 303(d) listings, water quality issues and closed shellfish areas should rate high. He further explained that the legislature wanted to provide money to allow cities and counties dealing with the NPDES permitting process to be able to advance projects and have offered \$75,000, which is separate from the \$19.82 mil, every municipality required to file under the permit. Dave explained the process of receiving the \$75,000.

Keith reported that DCD/NR applied for two grants through Ecology for funding of the reclaimed water project and water resource planning. He also reported that the Wastewater Division is applying for a grant for a reclaimed water project in Kingston. Through the Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRF Board), DCD/NR is working with other agencies in Chico area on a salmon recovery project. They have also applied for funding for additional development of stormwater infiltration capital projects.

Joy reported that KCD and KCHD would be applying for a Centennial Clean Water Fund (CCWF) grant for Sinclair Inlet.

Keith also reported that they are in the last phase of a three-year CCWF grant in the Barker Creek watershed along with DCD/ Planning Department, KCHD, and KCD.

Paul suggested KCD contact the City of Port Orchard regarding the CCWF for Sinclair Inlet.

Approval of April 19 Meeting Minutes: Quorum was not reached for approval. Carried to next meeting.

Nearshore Inventory Project: Keith reported that the Planning Department, with support from the Suquamish Tribe and funding from the SRF Board, is conducting the Nearshore Inventory Project. This project consists of walking the entire shoreline of

eastern Kitsap County starting from Olalla. Two teams have completed more than half of the 150 miles. The teams will catalog the physical features of the shoreline. The information is put into a GIS database and is then fed to the Battelle Marine Science Lab, who will conduct the scientific assessment. The data will be used to prioritize areas that would be most beneficial to conduct salmon restoration projects. A discussion of how the prioritization and database works followed. A web-based sight for this type information was also discussed.

Two Nearshore Project meetings coming up – one in Poulsbo on August 7, 5:30 to 7:30, at the Library and one in Kingston on August 22, 5:30 to 7:30 at the Community Center. A discussion of the model being used and whether it is updatable followed.

Jeff B. explained that the City of Poulsbo has signed an agreement for high-resolution aerial photography. He suggested that it be done at very low tides and that this may produce some photography useful to the Nearshore Project. A discussion of how the photographs could be used and the varied participants involved followed.

Jeff Adams arrived and making the quorum. The minutes of the February 1 and April 12 meetings were approved.

NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit Requirements: Dave gave a presentation on the NPDES Phase II Stormwater Permit Requirements. He distributed a copy of the power point presentation, a map of the permitting area and a portion of the permit that covers the Stormwater Management Plan. The presentation included the NPDES history. He explained that in December 1999, the EPA rule required permittees to apply by March 2003, which Kitsap County completed. The final permit was issued January 17, 2007 and was effective February 16, 2007. Kitsap County, along with other jurisdictions, is appealing portions of the permit. He explained that these are five-year permits. He broke down the map, explaining the methodology of affected areas. He explained that urban growth areas not adjacent to a city are not covered under the permit. He said that environmental groups are appealing this portion of the permit.

He gave further explanation of the permit topics (listed in the handout). He also explained the requirements for the annual monitoring and reporting. Basically, the effective date of the permit is February 16, 2007 and expires February 16, 2012. Annual reporting and status of implementation is due March 31 for the prior year and must be posted on the agency website. Jurisdictions must create a Stormwater Management Plan to address minimum measures in the first year and update each year thereafter. The county meets or exceeds minimum measures for the Public Education and Outreach program. The Advisory Committee meets the requirements of the Public Participation portion, but this element needs to be expanded. The Illicit Discharge portion has a few elements that need to be addressed such as the creation of a spill hotline. A discussion of the best possible ways to meet criteria for this element followed.

Construction and Pre Construction Runoff Control requires adoption of 2005 Ecology Manual Standards. Dave explained that this is very controversial due to the cost. Also, some portions are in the process of being appealed to the Pollution Control Hearing Board.

Construction and Post Construction Runoff Control requires ongoing maintenance with DOE standards, which are slightly different than current Kitsap County standards. A new requirement requires inspection of the stormwater system of new plats during the most intense period of home construction.

Dave explained that Public Works has an existing program for annual inspection of public facilities and procedures for maintenance to prevent pollution. Another requirement is to create a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for heavy vehicle or material storage areas. The existing County inspection program meets the requirement for inspections within the permit terms.

Other provisions require formation of two future monitoring plans. This includes tracking the cost of the monitoring plan and the development and implementation the programs. A discussion of monitoring plans followed. Dave explained that Public Works should have their preliminary plan complete by the beginning of October and will be discussed at the next quarterly meeting.

SWMP Status: Dave said he believes everyone is pretty much up to speed on what the permit requires for Stormwater Master Plans.

Jeff B. explained that Poulsbo had started an update to their stormwater master plan about two years ago and waited to finalize it until all permit issues were resolved. The plan has been updated. The next milestone is to get it adopted and then meet the March 31 deadline.

Melva explained that they are closer than expected. She broke down the elements and explained that they have consultants on board to bring the program up to permitting standards.

Dave explained that PW has met internally with representatives from Community Development permit section, the head of the Facilities Maintenance and the head of the Parks Maintenance group. They created a spreadsheet of items that need to be completed to meet permit requirements. He explained that caution should be taken on language used in this permitting process. The County attorney's office will review the document. A discussion of resolution of problems and funding followed.

Agenda Items: Another reminder of the August 8 meeting with the BOCC. Dave explained that the BOCC meets with various advisory committees each year. This meeting is an update to last year's meeting, although this is basically a new Board. A discussion of topics for the meeting followed with a decision to let the Board take the lead.

A discussion of the West Sound Watershed Council followed. Keith explained that associating the Advisory Committee with groups such as West Sound Watershed Council, that are associated with salmon recovery, water resources, and stormwater would be advantageous to the Committee.

A discussion of other agenda items followed including the Habitat Work Schedule software and further discussion of the West Sound Watershed Council. Paul suggested a presentation of the work schedule.

The Homeowner's Association Open House will be July 20 from 11 – 2:00.

Meeting adjourned.