

Update: Voluntary Clean Water Guidance for Agriculture

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Where are we?

- Finished draft of the Introduction and Tillage and Residue Management section of the guidance
- Riparian Protection
- Livestock-Pasture and Rangeland Practices
- Livestock-Heavy Use Areas and Waste Storage Practices

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What is next?

- Riparian Protection
- Livestock-Pasture and Rangeland Practices
- Livestock-Heavy Use Areas and Waste Storage Practices
- Suites of Practices Chapter

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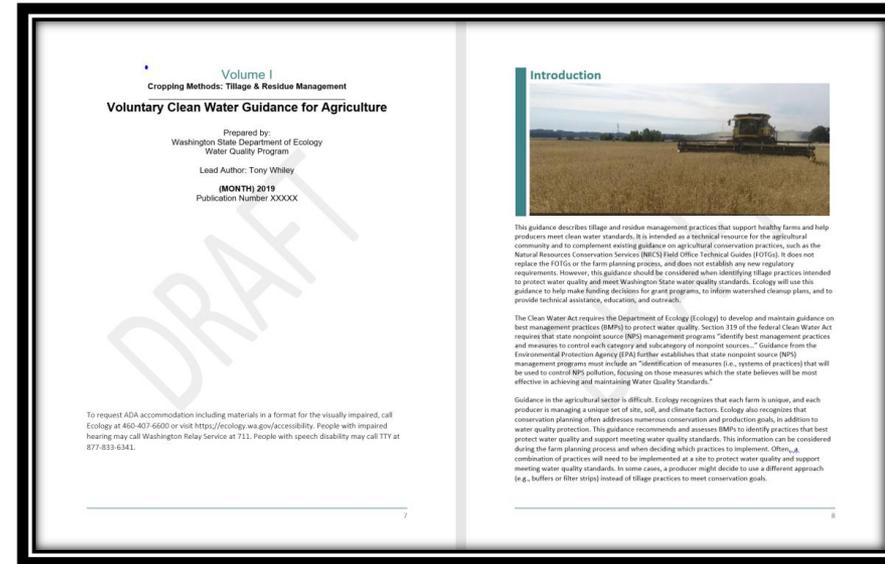


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Public Process:

- Have completed drafts of the Introduction, and Tillage and Residue Management sections.
- Best way to share it with the wider public and get feedback?
- Option-Make draft available on website but do not finalize until after we have the drafts of next sections available (including Suites of Practices section)



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Questions and Discussion



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Chapter 1 Cropping Methods: Tillage & Residue Management

Chapter 2 Cropping Methods: Crop System

Chapter 3 Nutrient Management

Chapter 4 Pesticide Management

Chapter 5 Sediment Control: Soil Stabilization & Sediment Capture (Vegetative)

Chapter 6 Sediment Control: Soil Stabilization & Sediment Capture (Structural)

Chapter 7 Water Management: Irrigation Systems & Management

Chapter 8 Water Management: Field Drainage & Drain Tile Management

Chapter 9 Water Management-Stormwater Control & Diversion

Chapter 10 Livestock Management-Pasture & Rangeland Grazing

Chapter 11 Livestock Management-Animal Confinement, Manure Handling & Storage

Chapter 12 Riparian Areas & Surface Water Protection

Chapter 13 Suites of Practices

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Uses	How will it be used
Ecology Funding Guidelines	Inform changes to our funding guidelines (e.g. additional/new BMPs that could be eligible; design criteria changes for currently funded BMPs; etc.)
TMDLs (and other watershed clean-up plans)	Provide technical information to support implementation plans and describe what practices can achieve reductions necessary to meet load allocations.
Technical Assistance	Provide technical information on what BMPs are effective at preventing water pollution and meet WQ standards. Basis for BMP recommendations.
Education and Outreach	Provide technical information on what BMPs are effective at preventing water pollution and meet WQ standards. Information for outreach materials.
Certainty	Provide certainty to landowners (i.e. what practices are effective at protecting WQ)
Other Programs	Provide technical information on what BMPs are effective at preventing water pollution and meet WQ standards.
Trading Program	Provides baseline information that could be used for developing a trading program

How will we use the guidance?

