What’s Coming Down the Pipeline
Ecology Team
Nutrient General Permit

• Preliminary draft open for public comment

• Comment period ends March 15

• Submit your comments via eComment form:
  http://wq.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=aiK7u
 Permit Fee Rule Update

• We update our fee rule every two years
• We will include a permit fee schedule for the Nutrients GP
• We won’t be able to charge anyone that fee
• We currently face difficult decisions around workload prioritization and permit reissuance
• We will be discussing these revenue and staffing issues with stakeholder groups this year

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Financial Resources for PSNGP Implementation

PSNR Funding in Governor's Proposed Budget – $9 million

• Funds focused on:
  • 58 identified facilities
  • Support NRGP implementation
  • Operational efficiencies and planning for NR improvements

• Development of funding guidelines: May-July 2021 if appropriated
  • Application process – EAGL online – Streamlined
  • Establish Grant amounts and Eligible costs - no match requirement
  • Stakeholder input from FAC and Forum

• Grant Award Timing – coordinated with expected issuance of the GP
  • Late summer – Early fall 2021
Other Resources

• Water Quality Combined Annual Funding Opportunity
  • Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loans
    • Applications accepted mid-August to mid-October; $150M available SFY 2023
    • Supports all phases of planning, design and construction
    • Preconstruction hardship – 50% forgivable loan
    • Current rates: 0.6% 5yrs; 1.2% 20yrs; 1.6% 30yrs

• WIFIA financing through EPA
  • For large capital projects
  • Periodic Application Cycles depending on federal appropriation
  • Treasury rate loans up to 35 year term

• Public Works Assistance Account Loans
  • May have an application late spring – early summer 2021

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Upcoming Nutrient Forums

• **Spring:** Year 1 Modeling Results

• **Summer:** Year 2 Modeling Scenarios

• **Fall:** Managing nutrients in watersheds
Thank You!