

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 NRGF 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

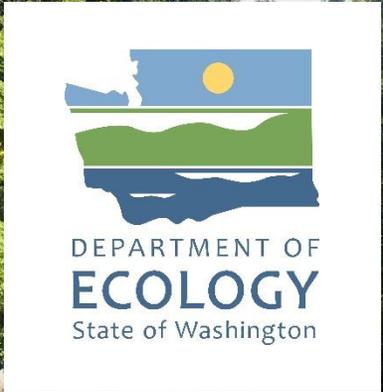
Other Resources

- 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!