Stormwater Action Monitoring
Collectively improving stormwater management

Call for ideas
Do you have an idea for future SAM studies? We want to hear them! We have begun a year-long process of identifying questions and topics for future SAM solicitation rounds. Watch for a survey to be distributed in the coming months via the SAM newsletter. Studies could address:

a. Stormwater management problems your agency is facing
b. Questions about shaping a stormwater management program
c. Issues in implementing permit requirements

Learn more...

Getting the big picture on water conditions
We want a comprehensive understanding of the impacts of stormwater on water conditions. That’s why we’re considering all of the streams and Puget Sound nearshore studies’ recommendations as we plan future monitoring. We will continue to leverage efforts of other monitoring programs in our work. Learn more...

SAM’s impact on permitting
How is SAM affecting Phase I and Phase II Western Washington MS4 Permits? Some SAM results are closely connected to various anticipated permit requirements and compliance oversight. Ecology’s new draft permits and fact sheet will be available for public comment from August 15 through November 14, 2018. Learn more...

See the new SAM fact sheets and Annual Report
Looking for up-to-date, high-level information on SAM studies and findings? Check out the fact sheets here, and the Annual Report here.

What is SAM studying now?
1. New SAM projects are underway! Updates are being made to the Illicit control/illicit discharge manual and trainings. And work has begun on bioretention projects with the City of Olympia and King County. Learn more about these and other projects here.

Stormwater Action Monitoring (SAM) is a collaborative, regional stormwater monitoring program that is funded by more than 90 Western Washington cities and counties, the ports of Seattle and Tacoma, and the Washington State Department of Transportation.