



## Stormwater Action Monitoring

*Collectively improving stormwater management*

### Register for the SAM Priorities Workshop

On Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the Renton Community Center, the Stormwater Work Group will host this free SAM Priorities Workshop.

- **9:30am - noon: Prioritize effectiveness study ideas**

Using the list of effectiveness studies and source identification project ideas resulting from the survey you answered last fall, stakeholders will discuss, narrow, and focus project ideas.

- **1:00pm - 3:00pm: Focus receiving water monitoring**

We will gather stakeholder feedback on the proposed updates to the regional status and trends monitoring design. Stakeholders will also be asked to prioritize flexible aspects of the design such as additional parameters and targeted studies.

[Register](#) for either the morning or afternoon, or for both workshops. The workshop is free; however lunch is not provided. Lunch can be ordered via the registration form to be provided on site for \$12-\$15, cash only. We will dive right in, so come prepared by reviewing these [morning](#) and [afternoon](#) workshop materials in advance.

### Register for Illicit Connection/Illicit Discharge Manual feedback workshops

If your work involves tracing sources of stormwater pollution, please [register](#) and provide feedback on illicit discharge detection and elimination (IDDE) programs and field methods. These free afternoon workshops, either February 12 in Seattle or February 25 in Everett, will direct the updates on the SAM project to revise the [2013 Illicit Connection and Illicit Discharge \(IC/ID\) Field Screening and Source Tracing Manual](#). Contact [James Packman](#) with questions or go to the [SAM webpage](#) for more information.

### New SAM fact sheets and reports published

Two new fact sheets are available to briefly explain the findings of SAM [receiving water studies](#) and of the [bioretention hydrologic performance](#) effectiveness study. The final reports on the [bioretention hydrologic performance](#) and [catch basin inspection and maintenance](#) SAM effectiveness studies are also available. SAM collected samples for pesticides analysis by Washington Dept. of Agriculture; the findings are described in [Pilot Study of Pesticides in Washington State Stream Sediments](#).

### Next steps in allocating pooled funds for SAM Effectiveness Studies

The Stormwater Work Group has completed two solicitation rounds and completely obligated the SAM effectiveness study funds from the extended 2013 permit cycle. A third solicitation process will begin in fall 2019 using ideas gathered in the survey last fall. Those ideas will be discussed at the SAM Priorities Workshop in February and a prioritized list will be approved by the SWG in June 2019.

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