



Stormwater Action Monitoring

Collectively improving stormwater management

Free trainings for staff on the updated Illicit Connection/ Illicit Detection (IC/ID) Field Screening and Source Tracing Manual

Training registration for *6 of the 8 are being rescheduled*. These events are for stormwater staff to learn and practice updated IC/ID field methods for source tracking. Workshops will be held in eight locations in western Washington; Renton, Mount Vernon, Edmonds, Tumwater, Poulsbo, Vancouver, Bellevue, and Seattle. Registration links are on the [SAM source identification webpage](#).

Two new completed SAM study fact sheets regarding bioretention

Bioretention BMPs have been a major focus for SAM study. King County lead a study to test an [alternative bioretention media blend](#) that would achieve solids, metals, and phosphorus treatment objectives. The study recommends Ecology adopt a new blend for bioretention facilities that drain to phosphorus limited waterbodies.

The [bioretention capture and treatment of polychlorinated biphenyls \(PCBs\)](#) study results show that: (1) bioretention captures PCBs delivered from a highway and residential setting; and (2) PCBs do not accumulate in the bioretention soil column. The default bioretention mix was used for this study. Further evaluation of the apparent bioremediation potential of the bioretention soil mix was recommended.

Stormwater manager survey

Thank you for letting the SWG and SAM staff know how to serve you better! The [survey results](#) told us about your preferred [SAM communication products](#), mainly the SAM [Booklet](#), completed study fact sheets, and videos. We will continue to produce these materials and use the SAM websites and newsletters to distribute them.

Status of new SAM study ideas for the 2019-2024 permit term

Round 3 SAM Request for Proposals has begun. The first step was to collect Letters of Intent (LOIs) to submit study proposals. The 16 LOIs are listed on the [SAM effectiveness studies webpage](#). They are currently being reviewed by city, county, university, private sector, and Ecology staff to provide feedback. The full proposals are due May 15th, 2020 to the [SAM Coordinator](#), and will receive in-depth technical reviews from SWG members, the regions technical experts, and SAM staff.

Save the Date: September 16, 2020

SAM will host the Round 3 workshop at the Renton Community Center for study proponents to present on their final study proposal for permittees and stakeholders. Please be sure to save the date and be an informed voter on which SAM study to fund!

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