

6PPD Subgroup Meeting Notes

Wednesday September 17th, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The SWG 6PPD Subgroup formed in 2020 and meets quarterly with support of the Stormwater Work Group (SWG). The goal of the SWG 6PPD Subgroup is to share the latest science on 6PPD and 6PPDQ.

10:00am Welcome, from Eli Mackiewicz, Co-Chair

- The Subgroup has been meeting for almost 4.5 years!!

10:05am Stormwater Work Group Updates (Abby Barnes, DNR)

- The latest SWG meetings on July 16 and September 10 focused on the [Stormwater Action Monitoring](#) (SAM) Round 5 Study Selection process. SAM will be releasing a Request for Proposals (RFP) this fall for new studies, including those that focus on 6PPDQ.
- The next regular SWG meeting is scheduled for November 12 from 9am – 12pm. For more information about the SWG, visit the [SWG Website](#).
- If you'd like be notified when the SAM funding opportunity is announced join any or all of the stormwater email lists on our GovDelivery [Subscriber Preferences Page](#). Enter your email address, click to add subscriptions, and navigate to the Water Quality Program list to find:
 - **STORMWATER-WORK-GROUP** meeting agendas, materials, and summaries of our meetings, and additional announcements related to our work.
 - **STORMWATER-ACTION-MONITORING**: up to three newsletters per year to hear about SAM study findings and upcoming workshops.
 - **SWG-6PPD-SUBGROUP** for meeting agendas and notes of those discussions.

10:15am Presentation from the Oregon 6PPD Work Group

Co-Chairs: Roy Iwai and Katie Holzer, PhD

- [Presentation Slides](#)
- Topic: *Defining the Problem, Solutions, and Next Steps for Oregon*
- Overview: From local water quality data to adult spawning surveys, the impacts of 6PPD-quinone in Oregon rivers are not yet fully defined. With participation from local jurisdictions, state and federal agencies, watershed councils, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and Riverkeeper organizations, the new working

group seeks to define the extent of the problem, understand our roles and responsibilities, and find solutions, especially in critical and sensitive areas where we might see a difference from our actions.

11:00am Break

11:05am Updates on Existing and Future Research (Shelby Giltner, ECY)

- [Current research projects](#) update
- New projects for 2025-2027 Biennium
- Question: Outcomes of research helping guide bmps and manual? Can we expect an interim updates? Or just working toward next manual?
 - Always working towards next manual. One upcoming project is synthesizing all bmp resources to identify gaps.
 - A good place to look between manuals is the Emerging Guidance section: [2024SWMMWW - Emerging Guidance](#)
 - [BMP effectiveness Study](#)

11:35am Updates on Ecology 6PPD Funding and Action Plan (Tanya Williams, ECY)

- [Presentation Slides](#)
- Safer products for Washington is currently assessing alternatives to make regulatory determinations for 6PPD in tires and artificial turf.
 - Question: If alternative chemicals are identified after report goes to legislature, what happens? Can we add to assessment?
 - No, not within the Safer Products for Washington process
 - Additional avenues likely exist if a safer chemical is identified.
- Tire fee might be proposed in the next legislative session would pay for stormwater mitigation research and implementation.

11:45am Upcoming 6PPD Forums and Trainings

- 6PPD State of the Science Forum: December 9 & 10, 2025 1 – 4 p.m. PST
- ITRC Training – Overview of the Tire-Derived Chemicals 6PPD & 6PPD – quinone: Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 1-2:30pm EDT
 - [Register for Live Webinar](#)

11:50am Round Table Topics

- What is the future of the 6PPD Subgroup?
- Do we include other contaminants of emerging concern or stick to just 6PPD?
- Are attendees still finding the subgroup useful?
- Chat Responses to these questions:
 - *Because this group is so focused on 6PPD and has amassed so much knowledge. I have noticed that this group is by far the most up to date on this topic. I have attended quite a few other 6PPD related meetings. But this group is by far the most educated.*
 - *Keep the workgroup going. Lots is happening.*
 - *Frequency depends on the rate of emerging news and functional applicable BMPs. The topic is hugely important. If a longer meeting at 6-month intervals creates too much of a gap in information sharing, then that is not ideal. The current arrangement is fine, but the value to us as municipal permittees, as I see it, is the concepts of what BMPs are showing promise.*
 - *Thinking into the future - our challenges with emerging tire-associated contaminants won't end with an alternative to 6PPD, and we should be expanding our scope of inquiry to some of these other CECs. We have a lot of expertise and collaboration in this group that I think is really productive and provides a great setting for expanding to these other tire related topics*
 - *If anyone can solve microplastics it's also this group*

12:00pm Adjourn

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View the SWG Website

We regularly update the [SWG 6PPD Subgroup website](#) with information about upcoming meetings, past meeting materials, and important SWG documents. If you have additional questions about the SWG 6PPD Subgroup, contact shelby.giltner@ecy.wa.gov.