

Stormwater Action Monitoring

Collectively improving stormwater management

New name, renewed focus

The Regional Stormwater Monitoring Program (RSMP) has a new name: **Stormwater Action Monitoring (SAM)!** 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.

What to expect from SAM

SAM's work supports a feedback loop to identify effective actions that reduce pollution and flooding associated with stormwater. In order to help stormwater managers, field practitioners, and policy makers use SAM project findings to improve management practices and to set project and funding priorities, we are honing and increasing our communications.

Here are few things you can expect from us:

- Quarterly newsletters with the latest news on SAM projects and activities
- SAM findings symposium to share results of completed projects (see below)
- · Factsheets to help you make informed policy decisions

Watch your inbox for more information about SAM's work in the coming months.

Effectiveness studies workshop scheduled for April 11

Plan to attend a workshop on Tuesday, April 11 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Renton Community Center. Learn about the eight proposals under consideration for a second round of permittee-funded effectiveness studies. Following the workshop, permittees will vote to rank the projects. The Stormwater Work Group (SWG) will use the ranking in June to help decide which projects to fund. <u>Ten studies</u> were funded in the first round and one is already completed. More information on the workshop can be found <u>here</u>. (Look under "Spotlight" on right column.)

SAM findings symposium - Save the date! June 1

Mark your calendar for the first SAM findings symposium! This one-day event in Renton on June 1 is a showcase of SAM study findings and provides an opportunity to learn about results of studies completed to date. Stormwater program managers and lead staff, public works directors, policymakers, and other stakeholders will find this event useful. Save the date and watch for more information in the next month.