

# Public Review Notice

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## Your Comments Needed on Stormwater Management for Eastern Washington

### Background

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Eastern Washington communities and other stakeholders have been working with the Department of Ecology to develop improved stormwater management tools for eastern Washington. As a result of a chartering meeting held in June 2001 in Moses Lake, a steering committee has been formed to work with Ecology and a consultant team has been selected and placed under contract. The steering committee and Ecology are managing a project that will result in completion of a stormwater management manual and a model municipal stormwater program for eastern Washington. This project will include an analysis of the cost of implementing the measures in the manual and in the model program.

The objectives of the project are to:

- Develop an eastern Washington stormwater technical manual that will serve as a commonly accepted standard for the management of stormwater for eastern Washington. The completed stormwater technical manual will address and integrate stormwater management needs under federal and state laws and will provide for local flexibility in meeting specific local needs.
- Develop a model municipal stormwater program for eastern Washington, with strong local participation and direction. This model program will describe a regionally and environmentally appropriate stormwater program that satisfies federal and state regulatory requirements, and that can be implemented by local government. The model program will be constructed to assure that local governments can address unique or specific issues within the context of the model program.

The steering committee and Ecology will be conducting public workshops on the stormwater manual and the model program during October. There will be two identical sessions at each location. Each session will begin with a staff presentation, followed by an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Date and Time</b>
<b>Spokane</b> Spokane Regional Health District, Auditorium 1101 W. College Ave.	Monday, October 14, 2002 4:00 to 6:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30 pm
<b>Wenatchee</b> Wenatchee Valley Senior Center, Card Room 1312 Maple Street	Tuesday, October 15, 2002 4:00 to 6:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30 pm
<b>Yakima</b> Selah Civic Center, Main Hall 261 South First	Wednesday, October 16, 2002 4:00 to 6:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30 pm
<b>Tri-Cities</b> Benton County PUD Building, Auditorium 2721 W. 10th Avenue, Kennewick	Thursday, October 17, 2002 4:00 to 6:00 pm and 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Written comments can also be provided during the official comment period, which ends November 30, 2002. Comments received will be considered by Ecology and the steering committee as the draft documents are revised. For additional project information, visit the project website at [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/) and follow the link to Eastern Washington Stormwater News.

### **How to Get Printed Copies of the Stormwater Manual and Model Program**

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If you have a credit card, you can order printed copies of the stormwater manual and model program at the following Internet address:

<https://wws2.wa.gov/prt/printwa/wsprt/default.asp>

You can also use this website to get price information and then send a check or money order payable to “Department of Printing” at the following address:

Department of Printing  
P.O. Box 798  
Olympia, WA 98507-0798

Make sure you include your name, mailing address, phone number, and the name of the publication. Allow about two weeks for delivery. If you have questions about ordering the stormwater manual and model program please call the Department of Printing at (360) 570-5555.

### **How to Find the Stormwater Manual and Model Program on the Internet**

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The Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington and the Model Municipal Stormwater Program for Eastern Washington are also available on Ecology’s Stormwater Homepage. The Internet address is:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/>