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# **Public Rules**

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1.0 SUBJECT TITLE: Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual

1.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE**: The effective date of this Public Rule is January 1, 2009 or thirty days after filing with King County Archives and Records Management, whichever comes later.

1.2 **TYPE OF ACTION**: Superceding PUT 8-8-1 (PR).

1.3 **KEY WORDS**: (1) Drainage; (2) Surface Water; (3) Ground Water; (4) Stormwater Pollution Prevention; (5) Surface Water Management.

2.0 PURPOSE: To adopt an update to the 2005 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual and to establish water pollution prevention measures for businesses, residents and other organizations within unincorporated King County to reduce polluted runoff from leaving their site and entering surface waters or ground waters.

3.0 ORGANIZATIONS AFFECTED:

3.1 Businesses, organizations, public agencies, and property owners within unincorporated King County.

3.2 Department of Natural Resources and Parks Water and Land Resources Division, or their successor agencies.

4.0 REFERENCES:

4.1 King County Code Chapter 9.12 - Water Quality

4.2 King County Stormwater Ordinance Nos. 16264 and 15052

4.3 King County's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Stormwater Permit.

4.4 King County Code 2.98.

5.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 5.1 "Best Management Practices" shall mean the best available and reasonable physical, structural, managerial, or behavioral activities, that when used independently or in combination, eliminate or reduce the contamination of both surface and ground waters.
- 5.2 "WLR" shall mean the Water and Land Resources Division, or its successor agency.
- 5.3 "Businesses, residents or other organizations" shall mean businesses, organizations, public agencies, and all property owners within unincorporated King County.

6.0 POLICIES:

- 6.1 Chapters 3 and 4 of the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* present reasonable water pollution prevention measures that shall apply to all businesses, residents, and other organizations in unincorporated King County.
- 6.2 The Water and Land Resources Division's goal through the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* is to present source control best management practices for pollution prevention, as they are widely recognized as the least costly and most efficient and effective means of protecting and improving the quality and beneficial uses of water resources.
- 6.3 The Water and Land Resources Division will rely, as much as possible, on education and technical assistance to gain compliance with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*.
- 6.4 *The Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* shall be available for reading and for purchase at the Water and Land Resources Division and available for reading at King County Libraries and on line at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/waterandland/stormwater/documents/pollution-prevention-manual.aspx>.
- 6.5 This Public Rule is exempted from the rule of strict construction and shall be liberally construed to give full effect to the objectives and purposes for which it was adopted.
- 6.6 If any provision of this Public Rule or its application to any person or property is held invalid, the remainder of the Public Rule or the application of the provision to other persons or property shall not be affected.

7.0 PROCEDURES:

<u>Responsibility</u>	<u>Action</u>
Director, Department of Natural Resources & Parks	7.1 Reviews the <i>King County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual</i> and revises it if necessary.
WLR	7.2 Conducts site visits to confirm compliance and implementation of stormwater Best Management Practices.
Businesses and other organizations	7.3 Implements the applicable best management practices contained in Chapter 3 of the <i>King County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual</i> .
Residents	7.4 Implements the applicable best management practices contained in Chapter 4 of the <i>King County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual</i> .

8.0 RESPONSIBILITIES:

8.1 The Water and Land Resources Division is responsible for:

8.1.1 Issuing revisions of the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* as new information becomes available;

8.1.2 Providing on-site consultations to businesses and other organizations to assist in implementation of pollution prevention best management practices; and

8.1.3 Determining compliance with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*.

8.2 The businesses or other organizations are responsible, at a minimum, for:

8.2.1 Implementing applicable pollution prevention best management practices;

8.2.2 Demonstrating that the best management practices comply with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*; and

8.2.3 Maintaining the best management practices presented in the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*.

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8.3 The residents of King County are responsible for implementing applicable residential best management practices.

9.0 APPENDICES:

This appendix is available from the Water and Land Resources Division:

9.1 *King County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*, Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.