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I. Purpose

To adopt the 2021 edition of the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*, which is an update to the *2016 Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*, to improve the clarity of its requirements and be equivalent with the state's 2019 *Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington*.

Applicability and Audience This rule applies to landowners and residents of unincorporated King County, the Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP), and its Water and Land Resources Division (WLRD), or their successor agencies; and the Department of Local Services, Permitting Division (DLS-Permitting).

II. Definitions

"Best Management Practices" or "BMPs" means any schedule of activities, prohibition of practices, maintenance procedure, or structural and/or managerial practice approved by King County that, when used singly or in combination, prevents, or reduces the release of pollutants and other adverse impacts to surface water, stormwater, and groundwater.

"Businesses and other organizations" means businesses, organizations, public agencies, and all non-single family residential property owners within unincorporated King County.

"Normal single family residential activities" means activities that are ordinarily associated with domestic residential uses and that ordinarily occur on a single family residential property. "Normal single family residential activities" include but are not limited to: washing and repair of personal vehicles and boats; storage and disposal of solid and yard wastes; use, storage and disposal of hazardous wastes; gardening and lawn care; home maintenance and repair; and swimming pool and hot tub maintenance. "Normal single family residential activities" do not include commercial business activities that are not associated with domestic residential uses or that do not ordinarily occur on a single family residential property.

"Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual" means the manual adopted in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 2.98 and supporting documentation referenced or incorporated in the manual, describing best management practices and procedures for existing facilities and existing and new activities not covered by the Surface Water Design Manual.

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III. Policy

A. General

The Water and Land Resources Division's goal through the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* is to present source control BMPs 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.

Chapters 3 and 4 of the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* present stormwater pollution prevention BMPs that shall apply to all businesses, residents, and other organizations in unincorporated King County.

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*.

B. Availability

The 2021 edition of the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* will be available for reading at www.kingcounty.gov/stormwater.

C. Severability

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.

D. Liberal Construction

This Public Rule is exempt 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.

E. Procedures

Action by Action

DNRP Director Reviews the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual

and revises if it necessary.

WLRD Performs site visits to confirm compliance and

implementation of BMPs and takes enforcement

actions as necessary.

Businesses and Implements the applicable BMPs contained in Chapter

Other Organizations 3 of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual.

Single Family Residents Implements the applicable BMPs for normal single

family residential activities contained in Chapter 4 of

the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual.

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F. Responsibilities

- 1. The DNRP Director is responsible for reviewing the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* and revising it when necessary:
- 2. The DNRP Water and Land Resources Division is responsible for:
 - a. Issuing revisions to the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual* as new information becomes available;
 - b. Providing on-site consultations to businesses and other organizations and single family residents to assist in implementation of BMPs;
 - c. Determining compliance with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*; and
 - d. Conducting progressive enforcement actions as necessary.
- 3. The businesses or other organizations are responsible, at a minimum, for:
 - a. Implementing applicable BMPs;
 - b. Demonstrating that the BMPs comply with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*; and
 - c. Maintaining the BMPs in accordance with the *Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual*.
- 4. The residents of unincorporated King County are responsible for implementing applicable residential BMPs.

IV. Implementation Plan

A. This rule becomes effective on July 1, 2021, or 30 days after filing with King County Archives, Records Management and Mail Services, whichever comes later.

V. Maintenance

A. This rule will be maintained by WLRD, or its successor agency.

VI. Consequences for Noncompliance

King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Water and Land Resource Division is responsible for enforcing compliance with King County Code chapter 9.12 and this rule. Pursuant to King County Code (KCC) section 9.12.035, failure to comply with this rule is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions of KCC Title 23, **Code Compliance**.

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Appendices:

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual: Best Management Practices for Commercial, Multi-Family and Residential Properties, July 2021