Date:

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To:

Mayor Balducci and Councilmembers

From:

Brad Helland, Chair

Environmental Services Commission

Subject:

Commission's Recommendation and Public Meeting on the NPDES Permit

2015 Stormwater Management Program Plan

## Introduction

The draft NPDES<sup>1</sup> 2015 Stormwater Management Program Plan (Plan) was made available to the general public and the Environmental Services Commission (Commission) in December 2014. The Commission held two meetings, including a public meeting, on the draft Plan.

The Plan is a requirement of the City's NPDES Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit (Permit). The Plan summarizes the City's current and planned NPDES Permit implementation activities for the coming year. Among other things, the Permit requires municipalities to:

- Provide an opportunity for the public to comment on the Plan; and
- Submit the Plan to the state Department of Ecology by March 31 each year of the permit term (2013-2018).

Below is information on the public meeting and the Commission's recommendation.

## **Public Meeting**

A public meeting on the 2015 Plan was held by the Commission on January 15, 2015. No public comments were received.

## Commission Recommendation

The Environmental Services Commission recommends submittal of the NPDES 2015 Stormwater Management Program Plan to protect water quality and comply with the City's NPDES Permit requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NPDES = National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. The NPDES Permit Program is a requirement of the federal Clean Water Act.