

## MS4 Annual Report Phase II Western

Number	Permit Section	Question
1	S9.D.6	Attach a map of any annexations, incorporations or boundary changes resulting in an increase or decrease in the Permittee's geographic area of permit coverage during the reporting period per S9.D.6.  <b>Not Applicable</b>
2	S5.A.2; S9.D.1	Attach updated annual Stormwater Management Program Plan (SWMP Plan). (S5.A.2; S9.D.1)
3	S5.A	Implemented an ongoing program to gather, track, and maintain information per S5.A.3, including costs or estimated costs of implementing the SWMP.  <b>Yes</b>
4	S5.A.5.b	Continued to coordinate among departments within the jurisdiction to eliminate barriers to permit compliance. (S5.A.5.b)  <b>Yes</b>
5	S9.D.4	If applicable, identify other entities relied on to satisfy any of the obligations under the Permit. (S9.D.4)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
6	S5.C.1.a	Continue to convene an interdisciplinary team to inform and assist in the development, progress, and influence of the stormwater planning program? (S5.C.1.a.)  <b>Yes</b>
12	S5.C.1.c.i	Continue to design and implement local development-related codes, rules, standards, or other enforceable documents to minimize impervious surfaces, native vegetation loss, and stormwater runoff, where feasible? See S5.C.1.c.i. (Required annually)  <b>Yes</b>
13	S5.C.1.c.i(a)	From the assessment described in S5.C.1.c.i(a), did you identify any administrative or regulatory barriers to implementation of LID Principles or LID BMPs? (Required annually)  <b>No</b>
19	S5.C.2	Did you choose to adopt one or more elements of a regional program? (S5.C.2)  <b>Yes</b>
19a	S5.C.2	If yes, list the elements, and the regional program.

**1. Regional Public Education & Outreach Regional Program: Snohomish County, Sound Salmon Solutions, Snohomish Conservation District, Stillaguamish Tribe Elements Adopted: Phase II Region-wide Natural Yard Care Program Outreach at Arlington Street Fair, Eagle Festival, Arbor Day Tree Planting Coordination with schools, businesses, and homeowners 2. Behavior Change Campaign Regional Program: North Sound Permittees Stormwater Forum Elements Adopted: Community-wide stormwater BMP awareness campaign Targeted messaging on pollution prevention and runoff reduction 3. Stewardship &**

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		<b>Community Engagement Regional Program: Snohomish Conservation District, Stillaguamish Watershed Stewardship Programs Elements Adopted: Storm drain marking, riparian plantings, and habitat restoration Volunteer stream cleanup events School-based stormwater education initiatives 4. Public Participation &amp; Outreach Regional Program: North Sound Permittees Stormwater Forum Elements Adopted: Collaboration on public education materials Use of regional platforms for stormwater updates and engagement Community input sessions on SWMP development</b>
20	S5.C.2	Attach a description of general awareness efforts conducted, including your target audiences and subject areas, per S5.C.2.a.i.  <b>Q20 General_Awareness_Efforts__20_03132025112248</b>
24	S5.C.2.a.iii	Provided, partnered, or promoted stewardship opportunities to encourage resident participation in activities such as those described in S5.C.2.a.iii.  <b>Yes</b>
24a	S5.C.2.a.iii	Attach a list of stewardship opportunities provided.  <b>24a - CoA_Stewardship_Opportun_24a_03132025112248</b>
25	S5.C.3.a	Describe in Comments field the opportunities created for the public to participate in the decision-making processes involving the development, implementation, and updates of the Permittee's SWMP and the SMAP.  <b>The City of Arlington has implemented multiple opportunities for public engagement in the decision-making processes for the Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) and the Stormwater Management Action Plan (SMAP). These efforts ensure transparency, public involvement, and stakeholder collaboration in the development, implementation, and updates of these programs. Public involvement opportunities include public meetings and workshops where the city hosts discussions on stormwater policies, BMPs, and proposed changes to the SWMP and SMAP. These meetings provide platforms for residents, businesses, and environmental organizations to offer feedback. Additionally, there is a public comment period on the draft SWMP, which is published online for review before final adoption. The city issues public notices via its website, social media, and newsletters, inviting written comments from stakeholders. Furthermore, stakeholder advisory groups are coordinated with local watershed committees, conservation districts, and environmental groups to discuss key stormwater management issues, with input from these groups incorporated into annual SWMP and SMAP updates. The city also encourages community stewardship and volunteer events, such as storm drain marking programs, riparian restoration projects, and public education booths at events like the Eagle Festival, Arbor Day, and the Street Fair. These events serve as interactive platforms for public engagement and education. Online engagement is facilitated through an interactive webpage where residents can provide feedback and access stormwater-related information. Public surveys and questionnaires are distributed to assess community concerns and priorities regarding stormwater management. Moreover, the city actively identifies and engages overburdened and highly impacted communities, ensuring their access to decision-making processes. Targeted outreach efforts include direct mailers, translated materials, and in-person forums to increase accessibility. Presentations on the SWMP and SMAP are made at City Council meetings, allowing elected officials and the public to discuss priorities and concerns, with public participation encouraged through open comment sessions and Q&amp;A discussions. These comprehensive efforts align with S5.C.3.a.i of the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, ensuring that the community has meaningful participation in stormwater management decisions.</b>
25a	S5.C.3.a.i	Describe specific public involvement and participation opportunities provided to overburdened communities and specifically, highly impacted communities. (S5.C.3.a.i)  <b>Arlington, Washington, is not designated as an overburdened or highly impacted community by the Washington State Department of Ecology. The department has identified 16 such communities across the state, including areas like South King County, South Seattle, Spokane and Spokane Valley,</b>

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		<b>South and East Tacoma, Tri-Cities to Wallula, Vancouver, Everett, East Yakima, and others.</b>
26	S5.C.3.	Posted the updated SWMP Plan and latest annual report on your website no later than May 31. (S5.C.3.b) <b>Yes</b>
26a	S5.C.3.	List the website address in Comments field. <b><a href="https://arlingtonwa.gov/391/Stormwater">https://arlingtonwa.gov/391/Stormwater</a></b>
27	S5.C.4.	Maintained an electronic map of the MS4 including the requirements listed in S5.C.4.? <b>Yes</b>
32	S5.C.5.b	Informed public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illicit discharges and improper disposal of waste. (S5.C.5.b) <b>Yes</b>
32a	S5.C.5.b	Describe actions in Comments field. (S5.C.5.b) <b>The City of Arlington has actively informed public employees, businesses, and the general public about the hazards of illicit discharges and improper waste disposal through a combination of educational outreach, training programs, and enforcement measures. Employees receive annual training on Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE), including identifying and responding to illegal discharges into the stormwater system. Businesses, particularly those handling hazardous materials, are provided with stormwater BMP guidance, on-site inspections, and compliance assistance to prevent pollutants from entering the storm system. The general public is engaged through brochures, social media campaigns, and community events such as the Eagle Festival and Arlington Street Fair, where materials on proper hazardous waste disposal, pet waste management, and household BMPs are distributed. Additionally, the city maintains a stormwater hotline for reporting illicit discharges, reinforcing public accountability and proactive pollution prevention in compliance with S5.C.5.b.</b>
33	S5.C.5.c	Implemented an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism to effectively prohibit non-stormwater, illicit discharges as described in S5.C.5.c. <b>Yes</b>
35	S5.C.5.d.i	Implemented procedures for conducting illicit discharge investigations in accordance with S5.C.5.d.i. <b>Yes</b>
35a	S5.C.5.d.i	Cite field screening methodology in Comments field. <b>Guidance Used: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination: A Guidance Manual for Program Development and Technical Assessments, Center for Watershed Protection, October 2004 Visual Inspection Mapping &amp; Drainage Analysis Dye &amp; Smoke Testing Water Quality Sampling Field Indicator Measurements Corrective &amp; Enforcement Actions Compliance &amp; Documentation</b>
36	S5.C.5.d.i(a)	Percentage of MS4 coverage area screened in the reporting year per S5.C.5.d.i. (Required to screen 12% on average each year.) <b>69.5</b>
36a	S5.C.5.d.i(a)	Cite field screening techniques used to determine percent of MS4 screened.

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		<p><b>Field Screening Techniques for MS4 Compliance</b></p> <p><b>1. Visual Inspections</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catch Basin &amp; Manhole Inspections – Evaluates sediment buildup, structural integrity, and potential illicit connections.</li> <li>• Detention Pond Inspections – Checks for erosion, vegetation condition, and obstructions that may impact stormwater flow.</li> <li>• Rain Event Inspections – Assesses pre-identified trouble areas when rainfall has exceeded or is forecasted to exceed 0.5 inches within a 24-hour period.</li> </ul> <p><b>2. Water Quality Testing &amp; Screening</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grab Sampling &amp; Laboratory Analysis – Monitors fecal coliform levels at five designated stream locations monthly.</li> <li>• Field Test Equipment – Uses probes for pH, dissolved oxygen (DO), conductivity, and temperature to evaluate discharge quality.</li> <li>• Turbidity Testing – Measures sediment levels to assess stormwater impact on water quality.</li> </ul> <p><b>3. CCTV Inspections</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deploys closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras to inspect underground stormwater pipes for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Structural defects (e.g., cracks, root intrusion)</li> <li>o Illicit discharges or unpermitted connections</li> <li>o Blockages or excessive sediment buildup</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>4. GIS Mapping &amp; Remote Sensing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducts GPS field surveys to map screened areas.</li> <li>• Uses satellite imagery and drone technology to track land use changes, vegetation health, and erosion patterns.</li> </ul>
37	S5.C.5.d.ii	<p>Describe how you publicized a hotline telephone number for public reporting of spills and other illicit discharges in the Comments field. (S5.C.5.d.ii)</p> <p><b>The City of Arlington publicized a hotline telephone number for public reporting of spills and other illicit discharges through the following methods:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>City Communication Channels:</b> The hotline number is published on the City of Arlington’s website and social media platforms to ensure accessibility. It is included in the Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) documentation and annual reports.</li> <li>- <b>Utility Bill Inserts:</b> Informational inserts with the hotline number are periodically included in utility bill mailings to residents.</li> <li>- <b>Public Outreach Events:</b> The hotline number is displayed during community events such as Arlington Airport Day, Eagle Festival, and the Arlington Street Fair.</li> <li>- <b>Business and Contractor Notifications:</b> The number is provided in educational materials distributed during business inspections and construction site visits.</li> <li>- <b>Stormwater Awareness Campaigns:</b> Signage with the hotline number is placed near storm drain inlets and high-traffic public areas to encourage reporting of illicit discharges.</li> <li>- <b>IDDE Training and Employee Engagement:</b> City employees and field staff receive training on the hotline’s purpose and encourage public use. These efforts ensure that the hotline is widely known and easily accessible for reporting spills and illicit discharges in compliance with S5.C.5.d.ii.</li> </ul>
38	S5.C.5.d.iii	<p>Implemented an ongoing illicit discharge training program for all municipal field staff per S5.C.5.d.iii.</p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>
39	S5.C.5.e	<p>Implemented an ongoing program to characterize, trace, and eliminate illicit discharges into the MS4 per S5.C.5.e.</p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>
40	S5.C.5.f	<p>Implemented an ongoing illicit discharge training program for all staff responsible for implementing the procedures and program described in S5.C.5.f.</p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>
41	S5.C.5.g	<p>Attach a report with data describing the actions taken to characterize, trace, and eliminate each illicit discharge reported to, or investigated by, the Permittee as described in S5.C.5.g. The submittal must include all of the applicable information and must follow the instructions, timelines, and format described in Appendix 13.</p> <p><b>Imported from WQWebIDDE</b></p>
42	S5.C.6.b.i-iii	<p>Continued to implement an ordinance or other enforceable mechanism to effectively address runoff from new development, redevelopment, and construction sites per the requirements of S5.C.6.b.i-iii.</p> <p><b>Yes</b></p>

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44		Does the ordinance or other enforceable mechanism follow a Phase I program approved by Ecology (S5.C.6.b.i)?  <b>Yes</b>
44a		If yes, state the title of the Stormwater Management Manual and which Phase I Program.  <b>The City of Arlington, Washington, has adopted the Washington State Department of Ecology's Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington as its guiding document for stormwater management practices. This manual is the standard reference for jurisdictions operating under the Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit. While the City of Arlington is a Phase II permittee, it aligns its stormwater management practices with the standards set forth in the Phase I program to ensure comprehensive environmental protection and regulatory compliance.</b>
45	S5.C.6.b.i. and Section 5 of Appendix 1	Number of adjustments granted to the minimum requirements in Appendix 1. (S5.C.6.b.i. and Section 5 of Appendix 1)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
46	S5.C.6.b.i., and Section 6 of Appendix 1	Number of exceptions granted to the minimum requirements in Appendix 1. (S5.C.6.b.i., and Section 6 of Appendix 1)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
47	S5.C.6.c.i	Reviewed Stormwater Site Plans for all proposed development activities that meet the thresholds adopted pursuant to S5.C.6.b.i. (S5.C.6.c.i)
48	S5.C.6.c.ii	Inspected, prior to clearing and construction, permitted development sites per S5.C.6.c.ii?
49	S5.C.6.c.iii	Inspected permitted development sites during construction to verify proper installation and maintenance of required erosion and sediment controls per S5.C.6.c.iii.
50	S5.C.6.	Inspected all permitted development sites upon completion of construction and prior to final approval or occupancy to ensure proper installation of permanent stormwater facilities. (S5.C.6.c.v)
51	S5.C.6.	Verified a maintenance plan is completed and responsibility for maintenance is assigned for projects prior to final approval and occupancy being granted. (S5.C.6.c.v)
52	S5.C.6.c.viii	Number of enforcement actions taken during the reporting period (based on construction phase inspections at new development and redevelopment projects, per S5.C.6.c.ii-iv). (S5.C.6.c.viii)
53	S5.C.6.c.vi	Achieved at least 80% of scheduled construction-related inspections. (S5.C.6.c.vi)
54	S5.C.6.d	Made online links to Ecology's Construction Stormwater General Permit Notice of Intent, the Industrial Stormwater General Permit Notice of Intent, and the registration requirements for Underground Injection Control (UIC) available to representatives of proposed new development and redevelopment? (S5.C.6.d)
55	S5.C.6.e	All staff whose primary job duties are implementing the program to control stormwater runoff from new development, redevelopment, and construction sites including permitting, plan review, construction site inspections, and enforcement are trained to conduct these activities. (S5.C.6.e)

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56	S5.C.7.b	Attach a list of projects that are fully funded, started, completed and/or scheduled for implementation during this permit term for the purpose of meeting S5.C.7.b, with the information and formatting specified in Appendix 12. Attach an updated list annually. (S5.C.7.b,)  <b>56_Stormwater_Project_List_56_03182025101018</b>
57	S5.C.8.b	Updated inventory to identify institutional, commercial and industrial properties which have the potential to generate pollutants to the Permittee's MS4 per S5.C.8.b? (Required at least once every five years)  <b>Yes</b>
57a	S5.C.8.b	Number of total sites identified for the inventory.  <b>207</b>
58	S5.C.8.a-d	Attach a summary of actions taken to implement the source control program, per S5.C.8.a-d.
59	S5.C.8.d	Attach a list of inspections, per S5.C.8.c.v, organized by the business category, noting the number of times each business was inspected and if enforcement actions were taken, per S5.C.8.d.  <b>59 COA SOURCE CONTROL RESULTS _59_03172025153213</b>
60	S5.C.8.e	Implemented an ongoing source control training program per S5.C.8.e?  <b>Yes</b>
61	S5.C.9.a	Implemented maintenance standards that are as protective, or more protective, of facility function than those specified in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington or a Phase I program approved by Ecology per S5.C.9.a?  <b>Yes</b>
63	S5.C.9.a	Applied a maintenance standard for a facility or facilities which do not have maintenance standards specified in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington? (S5.C.9.a)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
64	S5.C.9.a.ii	Verified that maintenance was performed per the schedule in S5.C.9.a.ii when an inspection identified an exceedance of the maintenance standard.  <b>Not Applicable</b>
65	S.5.C.9.b.i(a)	Implemented an ordinance or other enforceable mechanisms to verify long-term operation and maintenance of stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities regulated by the permittee per S.5.C.9.b.i(a)?  <b>Yes</b>
66	S5.C.9.b.i(b)	Inspected stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities regulated by the Permittee per S5.C.9.b.i(b)  <b>Yes</b>
66a	S5.C.9.b.i(b)	Are you using a reduced stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities inspection frequency?  <b>No</b>

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67	S5.C.9.b.ii	Achieved at least 80% of required inspections to verify adequate long-term O&M. (S5.C.7.b.ii) <b>Yes</b>
68	S5.C.9.c.i	Annually inspected municipally owned or operated permanent stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities. (S5.C.9.c.i) <b>Yes</b>
68a	S5.C.9.c.i	Number of known municipally owned or operated stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities. (S5.C.9.c.i) <b>20</b>
68b	S5.C.9.c.i	Number of facilities inspected during the reporting period. <b>20</b>
68c	S5.C.9.c.i	Number of facilities for which maintenance was performed during the reporting period. <b>10</b>
69	S5.C.9.c.i	If using reduced inspection frequency for the first time during this permit cycle, attach documentation per S5.C.9.c.i. <b>Not Applicable</b>
70	S5.C.9.c.ii	Conducted spot checks and inspections (if necessary) of potentially damaged stormwater facilities after major storms as per S5.C.7.c.ii. <b>Yes</b>
71	S5.C.9.c.iii	Inspected municipally owned or operated catch basins and inlets every two years or used an alternative approach? Cleaned as needed? (S.5.C.9.c.iii) <b>Yes</b>
71a	S5.C.9.c.iii	Number of known catch basins and inlets? <b>4692</b>
71b	S5.C.9.c.iii	Number of catch basins and inlets inspected during the reporting period? <b>2210</b>
71c	S5.C.9.c.iii	Number of catch basins and inlets cleaned during the reporting period? <b>633</b>
72	S5.C.9.c.iii	Attach documentation of alternative catch basin inspection approach for those owned or operated by the Permittee, if used, per S5.C.9.c.iii. <b>Not Applicable</b>
73	S5.C.9.d	Implemented practices, policies and procedures to reduce stormwater impacts associated with runoff from all lands owned or maintained by the Permittee, and road maintenance activities under the functional control of the Permittee. (S5.C.9.d) <b>Yes</b>

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79	S5.C.9.f	Implemented a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for all heavy equipment maintenance or storage yards, and material storage facilities owned or operated by the Permittee in areas subject to this Permit that are not required to have coverage under an NPDES permit that covers stormwater discharges associated with the activity. (S5.C.9.f)  <b>Yes</b>
80	S5.C.9.g	Implemented an ongoing training program for Permittee employees whose primary construction, operations or maintenance job functions may impact stormwater quality. (S5.C.9.g)  <b>Yes</b>
81	S7.A	Complied with the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)-specific requirements identified in Appendix 2. (S7.A)  <b>Yes</b>
81a	S7.A	List any requirements that were not met.  <b>Not Applicable</b>
82	S7.A	For TMDLs listed in Appendix 2: Attach a summary of relevant SWMP and Appendix 2 activities to address the applicable TMDL parameter(s). (S7.A)
83	S8.A.1, S8.A.2.a	Submitted payment for cost-sharing for Stormwater Action Monitoring (SAM) status and trends monitoring no later than December 1, 2024 (S8.A.1); and no later than August 15 of each subsequent year? (S8.A.2.a)  <b>Yes</b>
84	S8.A.2.a, S8.A.2.b	Notified Ecology by December 1, 2024 which option you selected: S8.A.2.a, or S8.A.2.b.  <b>Yes</b>
85	S8.B.1, S5.B.2.a or S8.B.2.c	Submitted payment for cost-sharing for SAM effectiveness and source identification studies no later than December 1, 2024 (S8.B.1); and no later than August 15 of each subsequent year (S8.B.2.a or S8.B.2.c)?  <b>Yes</b>
86	S8.B.2.a, or S8.B.2.b.	Notified Ecology by December 1, 2024 which option you selected: S8.B.2.a, or S8.B.2.b.  <b>Yes</b>
87	S8.C.1.b and Appendix 9	If conducting stormwater discharge monitoring in accordance with S8.C.1, submitted a QAPP to Ecology no later than February 1, 2025? (S8.C.1.b and Appendix 9)  <b>No</b>
89	G3	Notified Ecology in accordance with G3 of any discharge into or from the Permittees MS4 which could constitute a threat to human health, welfare or the environment. (G3)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
90	G3	Took appropriate action to correct or minimize the threat to human health, welfare, and/or the environment per G3.A.  <b>Not Applicable</b>

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91	Compliance with standards	Notified Ecology within 30 days of becoming aware that a discharge from the Permittee's MS4 caused or contributed to a known or likely violation of water quality standards in the receiving water. (S4.F.1)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
92	Compliance with standards	If requested, submitted an Adaptive Management Response report in accordance with S4.F.3.a.  <b>Not Applicable</b>
93	Compliance with standards	Attach a summary of the status of implementation of any actions taken pursuant to S4.F.3 and the status of any monitoring, assessment, or evaluation efforts conducted during the reporting period. (S4.F.3.d)  <b>Not Applicable</b>
94	G20	Notified Ecology of the failure to comply with the permit terms and conditions within 30 days of becoming aware of the non-compliance. (G20)  <b>Yes</b>
95	G20	Number of non-compliance notifications (G20) provided in reporting year. List permit conditions described in non-compliance notification(s) in Comments field.  <b>1</b>

**Attachments:**

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