

Stormwater Design Manual & Code Update

Planning Commission Briefing

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Why Are We Updating the Manual?

Federal, State and Local Requirements

Federal

- Clean Water Act
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

State (DOE)

- Department of Ecology administers municipal stormwater permits
- Ecology updated the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington in 2024

Local

- Kitsap County implements these requirements through Title 12 Stormwater Code & Kitsap County Stormwater Design Manual

Deadline per NPDES permit obligations: June 30, 2027

What Are We Updating?

1. Stormwater Design Manual

Align with Ecology's 2024 Stormwater Manual & review technical standards

2. Stormwater Code Updates

Modernize and clarify Title 12 to improve consistency between code and technical standards

3. Permit Process Improvements

Improve Site Development Activity Permit (SDAP) procedures to clarify permit lifecycle, revisions, inspections and enforcement



How Will We Gather Input?

Community & Stakeholder Engagement

Technical Advisory Group

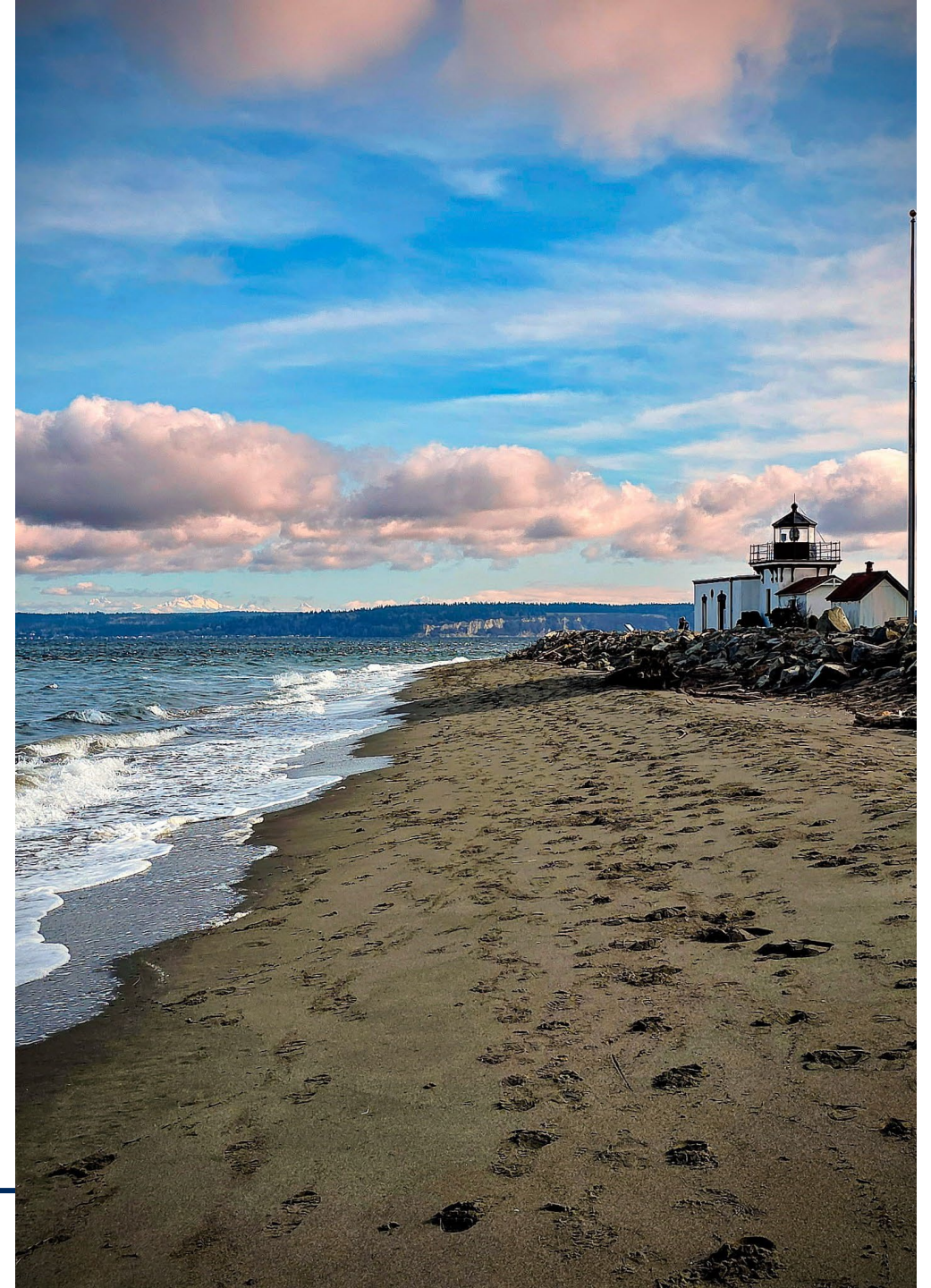
- Engineers
- Development professionals

Public Engagement

- Project website
- Community Advisory Councils
- Public comment periods
- Planning Commission hearings
- Board of County Commissioners hearings

Agency & Tribal Coordination

- Collaborate with Public Works Stormwater, Roads, Sewer & Solid Waste
- Tribal Coordination Meetings



Desired Outcomes

Comp Plan Consistency

Protect Water Quality

Improve Predictability & Efficiency

A stormwater program that is easier to understand, administer, and implement.

Project Schedule

Summer 2026

- Execute contract with consultant
- Gap analysis
- TAG outreach & meeting

Fall 2026

- Code & manual drafting
- Agency coordination
- Work studies

Winter 2027

- SEPA & public comment
- Hearings
- Online manual

Spring 2027

- Adoption
- Implementation
- Additional outreach

Questions?

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