

Welcome

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 - National Municipal Stormwater Alliance Chair





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Today's Webcast Agenda

Keynote Speaker

- Mark S. Osler, Senior Advisor for Coastal Inundation and Resilience, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- · Discussion/Q&A

Hot Topics Panel

- Sonia Brubaker, Director, Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center, U.S. EPA
- · Christopher D. Pomeroy, President, AquaLaw PLC
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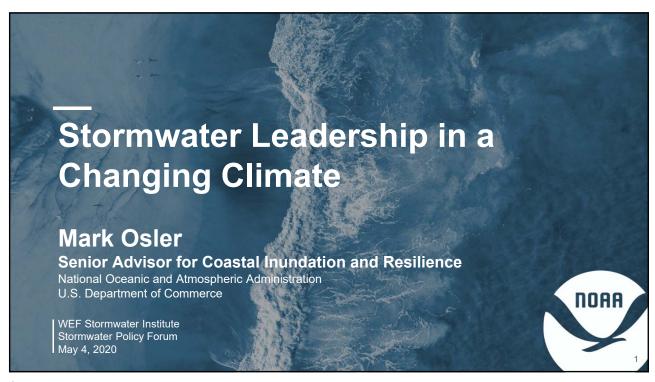
Open Discussion, Feedback, and Forum Summary

- Scott Taylor
- Adriana Caldarelli, WEF Stormwater Institute Director

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Outline

- 1. NOAA and Audience Background
- 2. WEF and NOAA
- 3.3 Things You Must Know
- 4. Q&A





Audience Background

I work in...

- A. the public sector
- B. the private sector
- C. an NGO
- D. academia



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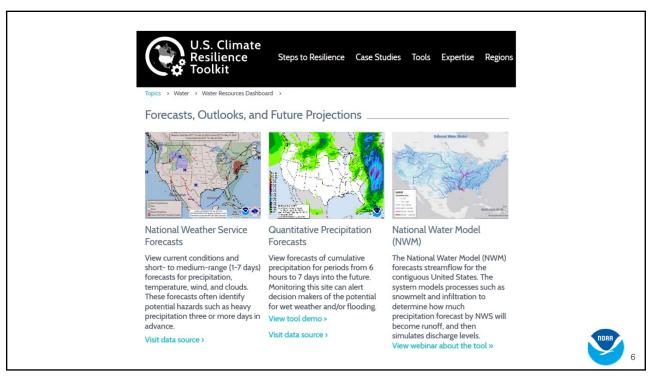
WEF and NOAA

a track record of collaboration



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This system has coastal tailwater...time to calculate tides and sea level rise.

Which picture best describes how you are feeling?



I got this.

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ugh...if I must.

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Get me outta here!

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Adapting Stormwater Management for Coastal Floods



Provides information, tools, methods to examine:

- flooding from coastal inundation
- impacts on community-level stormwater issues
- when and where users might expect to see impacts
- what communities can do about it



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3 things you must know

leadership challenges: from my world to yours

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climate vs. weather

this is thing 1 advocate for the science you need



NOAA's Atlas 14 is ...

- (I) mandated and federally funded (II) incorporates climate change impacts to precip
 - A. (I) only
 - B. (II) only
 - C. neither (I) or (II)
 - D. both (I) and (II)



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make a bigger tent

this is thing 2

diverse partnerships lift all boats

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integrated water management

this is thing 3
stormwater leadership = climate adaptation

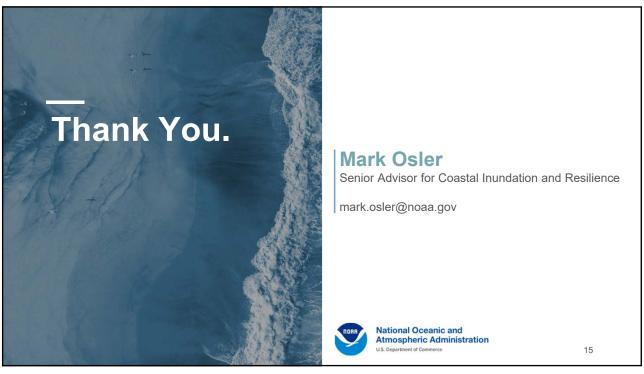


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three things

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- 2. diverse partnerships lift all boats
- 3. stormwater leadership = climate adaptation



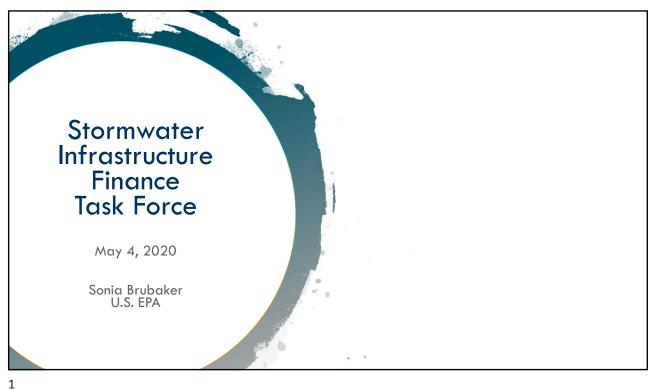


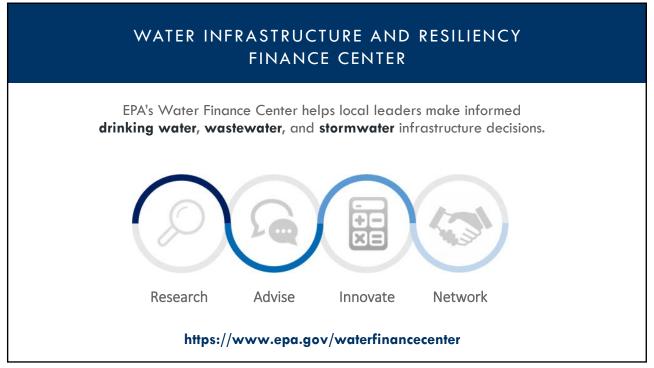
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Stormwater Funding Task Force SEC. 4101. STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TASK FORCE

- America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) was signed into law on October 23, 2018.
- Section 4101 calls for EPA to establish a Stormwater Infrastructure Funding Task Force, composed of representatives of Federal, state, and local governments, and private (including nonprofit) entities.

Objective:

To conduct a study on, and develop recommendations to improve, the availability of public and private sources of funding for the

construction, rehabilitation, and operation and maintenance of stormwater infrastructure

to meet the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.).

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Stormwater Funding Task Force

SEC. 4101. STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TASK FORCE

- The task force was convened through a Federal Advisory Committee – the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB)
- A working group was formed within EFAB, the Stormwater Infrastructure Finance Task Force Workgroup
 - This workgroup is responsive to the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018, Section 4101.

Stormwater Funding Task Force

SEC. 4101. STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING TASK FORCE

- The Task Force was convened through a Federal Advisory
 Committee the Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB)
- EFAB accepted the Charge on March 20, 2019
- To address the Charge, a workgroup was formed within EFAB, the Stormwater Infrastructure Finance Task Force Workgroup
- The Task Force first met in June 2019
- The EFAB submitted their recommendations on March 30, 2020

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The Stormwater Infrastructure Finance Task Force was tasked to provide recommendations to the EPA in the following areas:

Environmental Financial Advisory Board (EFAB)

STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE TASK FORCE WORKGROUP

- Identify how funding for stormwater infrastructure from such sources has been made
 available, and utilized, in each state to address stormwater infrastructure needs;
- Identify how the source of funding affects the affordability of the infrastructure, including consideration of the costs associated with financing the infrastructure;
- Evaluate whether such sources of funding are sufficient to support capital expenditures and long-term operation and maintenance costs

EFAB RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations present suggestions to use existing funding mechanisms, increase accessibility to those funding mechanisms, identify additional funding opportunities and enhance public education.

Two main categories:

- Allocate new federal stormwater funding. Federal grants, loans and new stormwater programs are needed to fund critical stormwater infrastructure in communities of all sizes across the country and support local funding sources.
- Provide stormwater funding education and technical assistance.
 Educating the public and elected officials on the need for stormwater funding is critical to the successful implementation of and community support for funding solutions. In addition, many communities need technical assistance related to evaluating and securing funding and financing mechanisms.

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EFAB RECOMMENDATIONS

Allocate new federal stormwater funding.

- Recommendation: Develop a new and enhanced construction grant program specifically for stormwater projects, similar to the federal Municipal Construction Grants Program that funded the construction of wastewater treatment plants.
- Recommendation: Increase annual funding allocation for and modify the Clean Water Act section 319(h) grant program to allow and encourage local capacity building, utility fee study and implementation and asset management, and remove restrictions on use of grant funds for MS4 permit compliance.

EFAB RECOMMENDATIONS

Allocate new federal stormwater funding. (cont.)

- Recommendation: Provide additional funds for the CWSRF and Water Infrastructure
 Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) programs specifically for stormwater. The CWSRF
 and WIFIA programs are integral tools among the many infrastructure financing options
 available to communities.
 - I. Create a specific stormwater set-aside in the existing CWSRF framework and increase awareness/guidance on the CWSRF for stormwater projects, including the Green Project Reserve program.
 - II. Create a "One Water" SRF with amounts allocated to drinking water, clean water and stormwater.
 - III. Create a new SRF program exclusive to stormwater programs and projects.
 - IV. Expand the existing WIFIA program (e.g., explicit references to stormwater project eligibility, priority points for stormwater projects, lower project minimums for bundled stormwater projects) to allow funding for more stormwater projects or fund the Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Corps Water Infrastructure Financing Program (CWIFP), also established in 2014.

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*EFAB RECOMMENDATIONS

Allocate new federal stormwater funding. (cont.)

Recommendation: Create a federal funding program (similar to the Low Income
Home Energy Assistance Program [LIHEAP]) to help address household
affordability issues for customers who are economically challenged in paying their
water related charges, including stormwater.

Provide stormwater funding education and technical assistance.

Recommendation: Provide funding to educate elected officials, professional
administrative leaders and the public on the benefit and need for sustainable
local stormwater funding and organizational capacity through, for example, the
creation of stormwater utilities or the expansion of existing utilities into the
stormwater sector.

EFAB RECOMMENDATIONS

Provide stormwater funding education and technical assistance. (cont.)

- Recommendation: Provide technical assistance and funding to help communities
 create and maintain sustainable and legally defensible funding sources and
 increase operational efficiency. This could include assistance with funding need
 assessments, organization analysis, grant applications, affordability assessments,
 integrated planning and/or establishing revenue instruments.
- **Recommendation:** Provide for a common application for different federal grants applicable to stormwater across all federal agencies.
- Recommendation: Provide funding to build and maintain a compendium of case studies and other resources to assist users to identify successful stormwater funding and financing approaches.

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Next Steps

- EPA is required to submit a Report to Congress describing the results of the Task Force's study and resulting recommendations.
- EPA is looking forward to implementing recommendations as appropriate.
- Additional information coming soon!

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WEF Stormwater Institute Stormwater Policy Forum Part II

May 4, 2020

MS4 "Maximum Extent Practicable" Implementation Update

Christopher D. Pomeroy, Esq. President



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Presentation Overview

• Applying the CWA's MEP Standard at Permit Reissuance

- Explanation of the Approach
- Case Study: Maryland MS4 Permits

• Applying the CWA's MEP Standard During Permit Term

- Explanation of the Approach
- Case Study: Massachusetts (and NH) MS4 General Permit

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The Clean Water Act's MEP Standard

"Permits for discharges from MS4s . . . shall require controls to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the **maximum extent practicable**, including management practices, control techniques and system, engineering and design methods, and such other provisions as the Administrator or the State determines appropriate for the control of such pollutants."

-- CWA § 402(p)(3)(b)(iii); 33 U.S.C. § 1342(p)(3)(B)(iii)

MEP Is a Community-Specific Determination

CWA & EPA Regulations Do Not Define MEP

- Intent is for each MS4 to address on case-by-case basis

Considerations In Determining MEP

- Condition of receiving waters
- Specific local concerns
- Other aspects of comprehensive watershed plan
- MS4 size
- Implementation schedules
- Ability to finance
- Capacity to perform O&M
- Hydrology/geology
 - EPA Phase 2 Rule Preamble, 64 Fed. Reg. 68722, 68754 (Dec. 8, 1999)

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Applying MEP at Permit Reissuance

- Elements of MEP Analysis (MEPA)
 - Evaluate the MS4 Program's capability
 - Make provision-by-provision and aggregate analyses
 - Determine maximum practicable effort of same
- Benefits of Thorough MEPA
 - Provides a framework for decision making
 - Documents a sound basis for permit development

Examples of MEP Analysis

Permit-Required Timing & Schedules

- Ex: For TMDL implementation projects, are any specified timelines practicable considering the component parts such as planning, siting, engineering design, easement acquisition, financing, public procurement requirements, and construction steps?

Permit-Required Spending & Tax/Fee Increases

- Ex: Are overall costs practicable for the community residents?
- Ex: Are increased costs, if any, practicable for community residents (i.e., required tax or stormwater fee increases)?
- Ex: How does the rate and magnitude of cost increases for MS4 Permit compare to other needs and increases in the community?

VA Ches Bay N&P (GP & IPs Permits)	MD Ches Bay N&P (IPs, Similar GP)	MA Charles River P (GP, Later IPs)
Mass Load Reductions	Surrogate: Impervious	Yr 5: Complete Planning
1 st Cycle: 5%	Surface Area Retrofits	Yr 8: 20%
2 nd Cycle: 40%		Yr 10: 25%
3 rd Cycle: 100%	By Yr 5, retrofit 20% of	Yr 13: 30%
	jurisdiction-wide I.S.	Yr 15: 50%
Permittees in 1 st or early	acreage not already treated	Yr 18: 70%
2 nd cycle; so far, so good	to the MEP	Yr 20: 100%
High compliance rate	Noncompliance Issues	20 years purported locked-
0 1	1	in by 5-yr NPDES permit
No litigation	Litigation	
-	-	Litigation

Maryland MEPA Example

1st Case (Frederick Co. Phase I MS4 Permit)

- ~ Prior permit constituted for a \$12M (5yr total) effort
- ~ Permit required 12x spending increase to \$145M
- MEPA indicated MEP = 4x cost increase to \$45M
- OUTCOME: Sharply divided (4-3) Maryland high court allowed "Beyond MEP" requirements to stand (Aug. 2019)

2nd Case (Small MS4 General Permit)

- $\scriptstyle{\sim}~$ Same TMDL implementation scope, slight longer schedule as Phase I MS4s
- ~ 3 representative Small MS4s have appealed similar and additional issues
- STATUS: Appeal is pending in MD intermediate appellate court, with a petition now pending with the MD high court to take the case up directly

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Special Issues with General Permits

• How to Apply Case-by-Case MEP in GP?

- ~ Avoid one-size-fits-all TMDL implementation provisions in permit
- ~ Instead establish TMDL planning under permit for review & approval

◆ Alternative A – Shift to Individual Permit

~ But can be inefficient for regulatory agencies especially

Alternative B – Add Adjustment Process to GP

- ~ Set default one-size-fits-all approach
- Provide a process for MEP-based alternative to be developed under permit for review and approval
- ~ This is the approach in the MA and NH permit modifications in process

MA Small MS4 General Permit: Settlement Agreement & Pending Modifications

◆ EPA Issued Permits

 Important national recognition of role of MEP standard in managing WQS and TMDL implementation



Original Permits

- Reduce discharge of pollutants so as not to cause or contribute to water quality standards exceedance
- Includes fixed 20-year schedule for meeting periodic numeric reduction milestones and full TMDL compliance by Year 20

Two-Year Multi-Party Mediation 2017-19

- Local Governments (MCWRS), Homebuilders, CRR
- Regulators EPA R1 & EPA HQ (MassDEP)
- Environmental Groups (CLF, CRWA)



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2.1. Water Quality Based Effluent Limitations

Pursuant to Clean Water Act 402(p)(3)(B)(iii), this permit includes provisions to ensure that discharges from the permittee's small MS4 do not cause or contribute to an exceedance of meet applicable water quality standards as set forth in part 2.1.1. below., in addition to requirements to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable. The requirements found in this part and part 2.2 constitute appropriate water guality based effluent limits of this permit. Requirements to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable are set forth in part 2.3.

2.1.1. Requirement to Meet Water Quality Standards

a. The permittee's discharges shall meet applicable water quality standards by complying with parts 2.1.1.b and/or 2.1.1.c in accordance with the schedules set forth therein.²

Any other discharge of a pollutant that: (i) is not addressed by part 2.1.1.b, part 2.1.1.c, part 2.2.1, and/or part 2.2.2, (ii) is not the result of an illicit discharge subject to part 2.3.4, and (iii) does not meet applicable water quality standards, either independently or in conjunction with other discharges, shall comply with part 2.1.1.d.permittee shall reduce the discharge of pollutants such that the discharges from the MS4 do not cause or contribute to an exceedance of water quality standards.

No Strict
"Cause or
Contribute"
Prohibition

Instead, Meet
Default TMDL
Implementation
Schedule

OR, If That Is Impracticable, Adjust to a Practicable Level with Documentation

Adjustment Process: Alternative Schedule

b. If there is a discharge from the MS4 to a waterbody (or its tributaries in some cases) that is subject to an <u>EPA</u> approved <u>or established</u> TMDL identified in part 2.2.1, the permittee is subject to the requirements of part 2.2.1 and Appendix F of this permit and the permittee shall comply with all applicable schedules, <u>alternative schedules</u> and requirements in Appendix F. A permittee's compliance with all applicable requirements and BMP implementation schedules in Appendix F <u>or any alternative schedules</u> applicable to it will constitute compliance with part 2.1.1.a. of the Permit <u>for discharges of pollutants addressed in Appendix F.</u>

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If permittee determines schedule to meet required Phase 2 phosphorus reductions is **impracticable**, permittee may submit an **Alternative Schedule Request** to meet requirements on the shortest schedule. Request shall include:

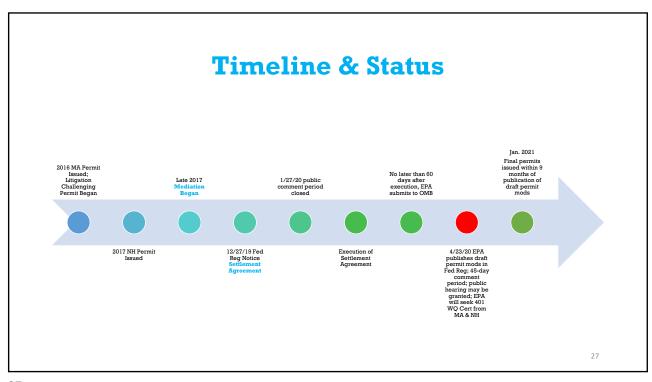
- Reasons for request including information demonstrating applicant's efforts and extent of progress made toward meeting the required phosphorus reductions;
- Description of planned structural controls to meet applicable phosphorus reduction milestones;
- Suitability and availability of areas for siting and constructing structural controls, including, if appropriate, a
 review of third-party partnerships considered for within-watershed structural control sites;
- Access and acquisition of real property rights for constructing and maintaining structural controls;

Practicability-Based Alternative Schedule

- Timelines for the permittee's planning, design, financing, easement or property interest acquisition, and procurement for and construction of structural controls;
- Based Timelines for and constraints due to the federal, state and/or local approval(s) and permitting processes for structural controls;
- Alternative
 Schedule

 Anticipated phosphorus reductions due to the rate of redevelopment within the community and the degree to which future redevelopment may be reasonably anticipated to achieve the desired reductions in lieu of reliance upon structural controls by the permittee,
 - Estimated cost of the planned structural controls to meet applicable phosphorus reduction milestones;
 - Scale of structural BMP controls required and phasing considerations with other capital improvement projects
 that are being implemented by the permittee or other parties that impact the permittee, municipality or relevant
 taxpayers or ratepayers:
 - Affordability for taxpayers/ratepayers including a projection of sources and uses of funds, taking into
 consideration existing or potential financial capability and funding mechanisms;
 - · Other relevant information, and
 - A requested schedule to meet all phosphorus reduction requirements.

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Questions?

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Agriculture/Stormwater Nexus Dynamics

Stormwater Policy Forum

Steven Rowe, CEO Newtrient LLC May 4, 2020



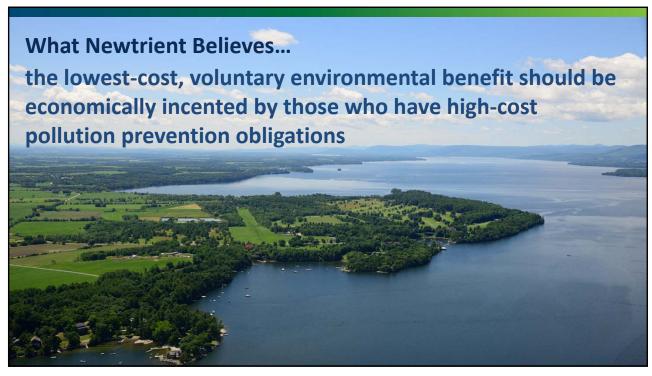
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NEWTRIENT'S MISSION

Reduce the environmental footprint of dairy and make it economically viable to do so.







Most Promising Ecosystem Service Markets Today

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES



RENEWABLE ENERGY WATER QUALITY WATER QUANTITY **AIR QUALITY GHG REDUCTION CARBON SEQUESTRATION SOIL HEALTH RECREATION WEATHER RESISTANCE BIODIVERSITY**

ECOSYSTEM SERVICES BUYERS

REGULATED

MUNICIPALITIES PERMIT HOLDERS STATES

NON-REGULATED

NON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS **PHILANTHROPISTS COMPANIES WITH CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSBILITY (CSR) GOALS INVESTORS**

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Market-Based Programs Surging Globally

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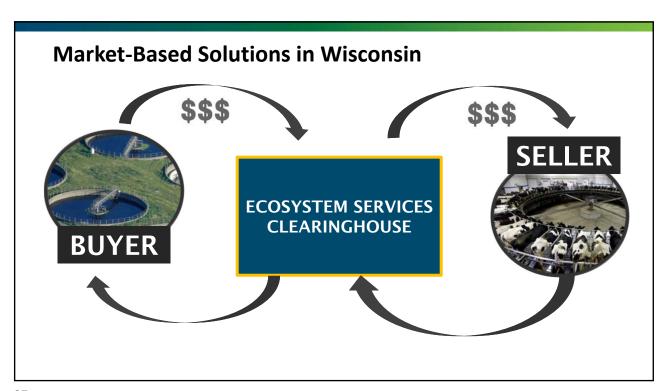




The global status and trends of Payments for Ecosystem Services; James Salzman, Genevieve Bennett, Nathaniel Carroll, Allie Goldstein & Michael Jenkins https://www.nature.com/articles/s41893-018-0033-0



Kieser & Associates, LLC



Wisconsin Legislation Moving Forward in Support of **Water Quality Trading**



WISCONSIN Farmers, Environmentalists Applaud Legislation To Change Water Quality Trading

"Companies like Newtrient have rolled up their sleeves and are working with dairy farmers and the state to find financially sustainable ways to improve water quality." - John Holevoet (DBA)





"I am encouraged to see continued attention on solutions that will reduce the phosphorus pollution that plagues our waterways." – Amber Meyer Smith (VP, Clean Wisconsin)

"A more flexible marketplace for permit holders could be a win-win for landowners, the agriculture economy and land and water conservation" -Mary Jean Hutson (State Director, TNC)



Current Water Quality Programs in Wisconsin

Wisconsin has built a strong foundation of water quality programs to protect and enhance the state's water.

VI WATER QUALITY PROGRAMS

Adaptive Management (AM)

Phosphorus compliance program

Water Quality Trading (WQT)

Market-based option for compliance

Multi-Discharger Variance (MDV)

Temporary phosphorus variance program for point source dischargers



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Dairy Technology and Practices Deliver Ecosystem Benefits

Bio-Filtration (Nitrification/Denitrification) Dissolved Air Floatation (DAF)



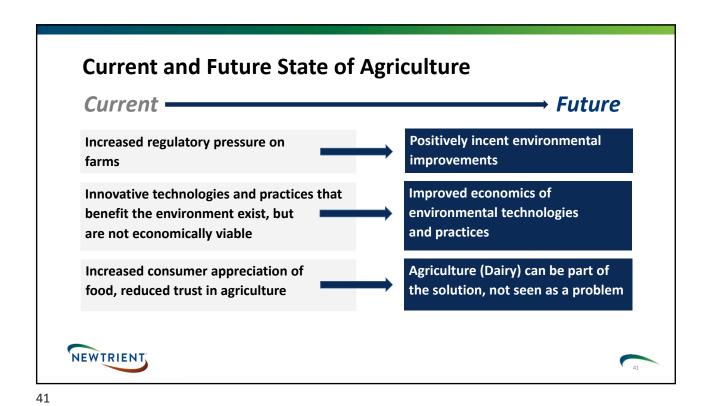


Evaporative



Conservation Buffers





What is your role?



LANDOWNERS (DAIRY)
Continue employing methods to
efficiently produce food and enhance
the environment



Partner with groups, like Newtrient, who are building credible, transparent markets



PROCESSORS
Seek out environmental solutions
within your supply chain and provide
technical and financial support
(consider being an ESM credit buyer)



POLICYMAKERS
Encourage innovative, collaborative
programs at the intersection of sound
economics and environment protection



INVESTORS
Seek and encourage investments in technologies, projects and ESM market mechanisms



INNOVATORS
Continue to develop and market
new technologies and practices



RESEARCH & ACADEMIA Close research gaps between what farmers know and do and the peerreviewed academic community



Urban Stormwater Runoff as Pathway of Extensive Mixed Contaminants to Surface and Groundwaters in the United States



Stormwater Policy Forum Part 2

Jason R. Masoner, Dana W. Kolpin, Paul M. Bradley, Isabelle M. Cozzarelli, David S. Burden, Richard Lowrance, Matthew E. Hopton, Larry B. Barber, William A. Battaglin, Angela K. Brennan, David J. Fairbairn, Shawn C. Fisher, Kenneth J. Forshay, Edward T. Furlong, Justin F. Groves, Michelle L. Hladik, Jeanne B. Jaeschke, David P. Krabbenhoft, Kristin Romanok, David L. Rus, William R. Selbig, Brianna H. Williams

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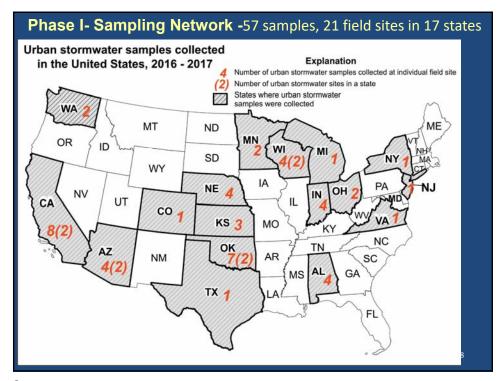
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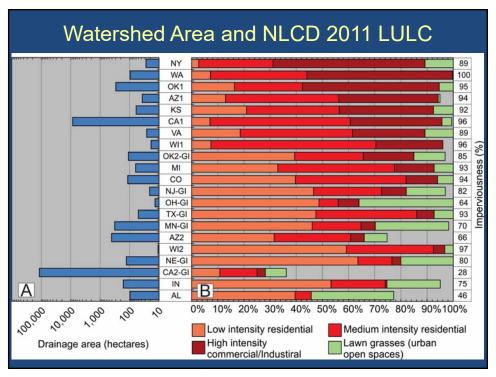
Broad Suite of Organic (438) and Inorganic (64) Chemicals Targeted

- PAHs (20): chrysene
- Prescription pharms (88): metformin
- Nonprescription pharms (19): acetaminophen
- Household chemicals (21): galaxolide
- Industrial chemicals (58): triphenyl phosphate
- Pesticides (183): imidacloprid
- Hormones (21): estrone
- PCBs (28): polychlorinated biphenyl 180
- Inorganics (64) and methyl mercury









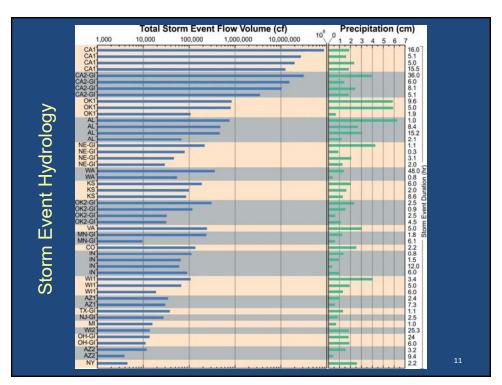
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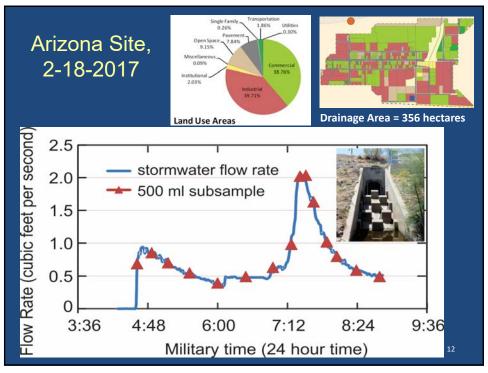
- Goal was to sample urban stormwater runoff, no combined sewage/storm infrastructure.
- 40% of sites infiltrated urban stormwater to GW via GI.
- Auto sampler used for flow-weighted composite samples.
- 3 sites used DH-81 sampler for time-weighted isokinetic samples.



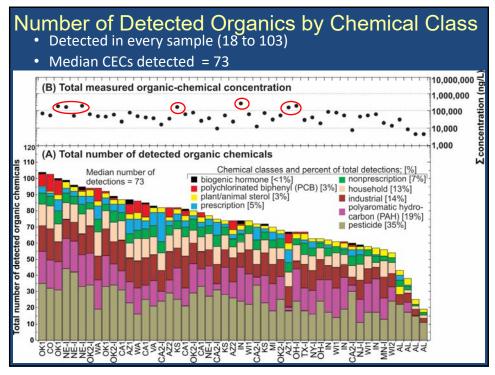
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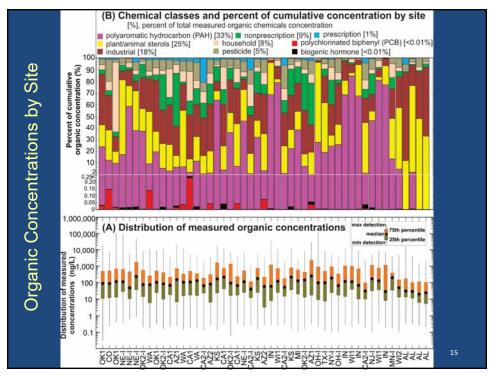
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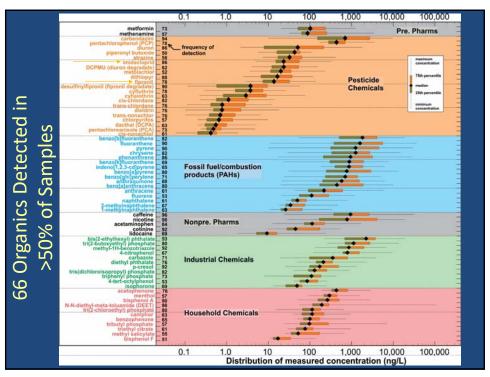


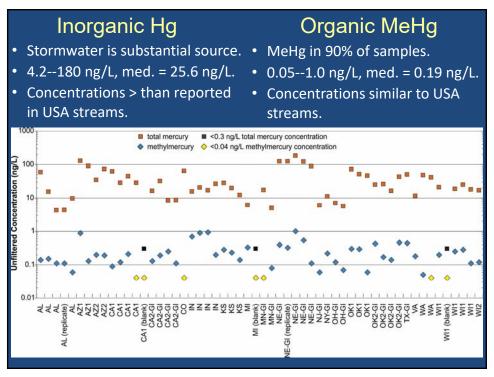


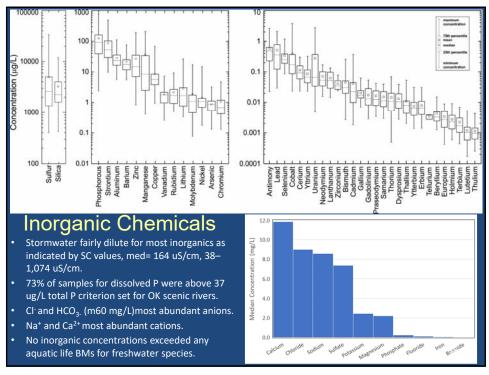
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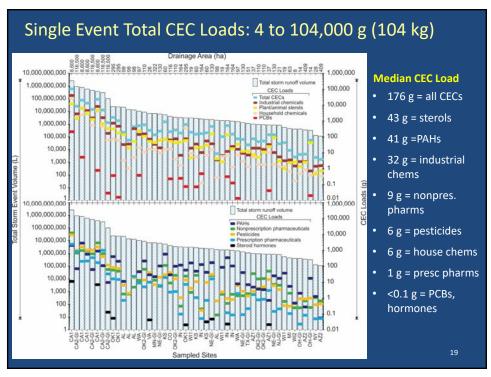












Quantitative Comparison of Organic Loads in Untreated Stormwater and Treated Wastewaters

- ➤ 28 single-event storms (5 hours) with runoff volumes (1 25 M L/event), comparable to daily treatment capacity of small WWTP (30 M L/d.
- ➤ 8 single-event storms (12 hours) with runoff volumes (0.1 2.5 B L/event), comparable to daily treatment capacity of medium to large WWTP (870 M L/d.
- Organic loads from single-event (med duration = 7 hours) stormwater runoff volumes compared to daily WWTPs volumes indicate that episodic stormwater runoff events can potentially contribute:
 - · substantially larger loads of PAHs and pesticides;
 - <u>similar</u> loads of household chemicals, industrial chemicals, and <u>nonpres</u>cription pharmaceuticals;
 - substantially <u>smaller</u> loads of prescription pharmaceuticals, biogenic hormones, and plant animal sterols.

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Implications for Stormwater Management

- Stormwater is transporting a extensive mixture of organic chemicals.
 - Detections: pesticides > PAHs > industrial chems > household chems > nonpres pharms > pres pharms > sterols > PCBs > biogenic hormones.
 - Numerous detections per site (median of 73 compounds).
 - Many known or suspected carcinogens, endocrine disrupting, and bioactive.
- Organic chemicals are present in stormwater at widely variable individualcomponent and cumulative-mixture concentrations.
 - Concentrations: PAHs > sterols > industrial chems > nonpres pharms > household chems > pres
 pharms > pesticides > PCBs ~ biogenic hormones.
 - Concentrations spanned 6 orders of magnitude < 1 to 100,000 ng/L.
 - Little is known about mixture-effects from exposure of low ng/L concentrations.
 - Some PAHs and pesticides exceeded aquatic BM levels.
 - 7 samples had cumulative-mixture concentrations >100,000 ng/L.
- Organic concentrations and single storm-event loads were comparable to and often exceeded those of daily WWTP discharges.

Implications--continued..

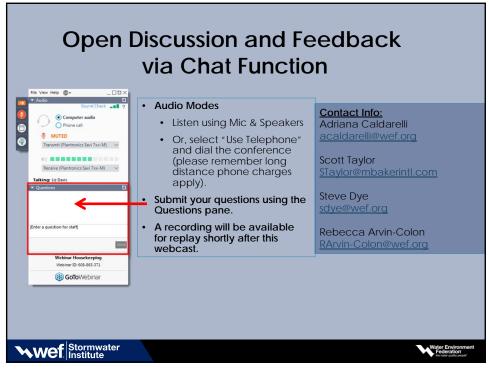
- Largest organic-contaminant sources originate from impervious surfaces and developed medium-intensity and high-intensity urban centers.
- ➤ Evidence from anthropogenic/background gadolinium ratios coupled with frequent detections of metformin, lidocaine, and acetaminophen in urban stormwater, indicates a human sewage source.
- ➤ Stormwater is a consistent source of inorganic Hg and could pose negative implications for some SCM and GI projects (wetlands/bioretention ponds) that may provide conditions for methylation to MeHg.
- ➤ MeHg concentrations in urban stormwater indicate that stormwater infrastructure provides favorable conditions for conversion of inorganic Hg to highly toxic organic form (MeHg).





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Water Week 2020 Recordings

- The Stormwater Asks for Water Week 2020 and the Stormwater Policy Forum webcast recordings, as well as the Stormwater Ask Document, are all available on the SWI website: https://wefstormwaterinstitute.org/programs/water-
 - <u>https://wefstormwaterinstitute.org/programs/water-week-2020-stormwater-events/</u>
- The Water Week 2020 Policy Fly-In Advocacy and Insights from Washington, DC webcast recordings are available on the Water Week website: https://www.waterweek.us/



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National Municipal Stormwater and Green Infrastructure Awards



- Recognizes high-performing regulated MS4s that meet and exceed regulatory requirements in innovative ways
- Nomination Deadline TODAY! Monday, May 4th
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National MS4 Needs Assessment Survey

- This year, the second iteration of the survey will take the pulse of the U.S. stormwater sector in search of up-to-date information on permittee characteristics, obstacles, and opportunities.
- Accepting responses through the end of May
- https://wefstormwaterinstitute. org/programs/ms4survey/



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