Federal Update & National Stormwater Trends

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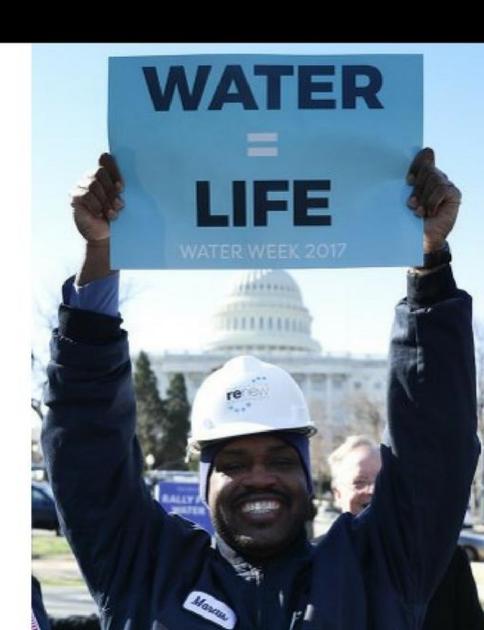
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Who Are We?

NACWA works in Washington DC to create a regulatory, legislative, and legal environment that allows clean water agencies and stormwater agencies to innovate and thrive.







Legislative Update





Infrastructure Package

EPA Appointments



Tax Reform

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Integrated Planning/Affordability

Tax Reform

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EPA Appointments

Innovative Stormwater Infrastructure Act of 2017













Regulatory Update



WOTUS

"Stormwater control features constructed to convey, treat, or store stormwater that are created in dry land."

- 2015 Clean Water Rule

Stormwater Exemption

EPA WOTUS Teleconferences

Stormwater, wastewater management, and drinking water agencies

Tuesday, November 14, 2017 1:00-3:00 PM EST

Stormwater Exemption

COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS FOR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

A Guide for Voluntary Long-Term Planning



SEPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

Office of Water October 2016

www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater-planning

DRAFT

Draft Released October 27, 2016

Final Expected Soon(ish)?

More Regulatory Involvement

Human Health Recreational Ambient Water Quality
Criteria/Swimming Advisories for Microcystins and
Cylindrospermopsin
Aquatic Life Criteria for Specific Conductivity
Water Quality Criteria for Aluminum

Regulatory Update





Implementation - Tracking Issues

Firm position that the rule remain procedural in nature
Protect the MEP standard
No substantive changes to MS4 program
Maintain maximum flexibility

Phase II Remand Rule

Massachusetts

New Hampshire

Phase II MS4 Litigation

Two Big Issues - MA/NH

- 1. Shift away from CWA mandate that MS4s reduce discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable
- 2. Concerns with EPA requiring MS4s to impose numeric post-construction retention standards on new development/redevelopment

Phase II MS4 Litigation

NACWA Stormwater Permitting Guide

Provide assistance to stormwater utility managers on a variety of challenges during the permit development process, when implementing permit requirements, and when faced with regulatory inspections or enforcement proceedings.

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MS4 Permitting Overview General Regs **WQS & TMDL Provisions Hot Topics Permit Appeals** Enforcement and more...

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A Seminar for Public Agency Attorneys & Managers

November 14 - 16, 2017

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NACWA coalition of state and regional stormwater groups among others.

Foster collaborative relationships.

Exchange information.

Receive timely updates on federal policy.

Network.



Next Call: November 6th, 2017 @ 2:30 PM EST



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