

SMCWPPP CII Stormwater Inspector Training Workshop

Sponsored by the Commercial/Industrial/Illicit Discharge (CII) Subcommittee

Zoom Meeting

Tuesday June 28, 2022

1. Poll Question: How many times have you attended SMCWPPP CII Subcommittee Stormwater Inspector workshops before?

- This is my first – 14
- 1-2 – 7
- 3-5 – 5
- 6-10 – 5
- Not enough fingers to count – 1

2. Poll Question: What types of other inspections do you currently do?

- Commercial Business Stormwater Inspections (C.4) - 24
- Illicit Discharges (C.5) - 19
- Pretreatment Program facility inspections - 8
- Restaurant FOG Inspections – 8
- NOI Industrial Facility Stormwater Inspections (C.4) – 13
- CUPA Inspections- 10
- Construction site stormwater inspection (C.6) – 12
- Health Department Inspections – 2

3. Poll Question: Which type of training do you prefer?

- In-person classroom 6
- Virtual online training 14
- Either 13

4. How useful was the presentation “Assessing Creek Health in San Mateo County Watersheds” (Paul Randall, EOA, Inc.)?

Very Useful 18

Somewhat Useful 5

Not Useful 0

Comments (optional):

- It would be helpful if we could provide more information on the water quality trends and maybe link with it what we have been doing to improve impaired water bodies. I did appreciate Paul acknowledging that repeatable data is needed. We historically have not

collected data that facilitates trend interpretation.

- Great informative class.
- It was refreshing to see a purpose of doing these inspections and reinforce that there should be no pollutants in the drain.
- Very interesting and relevant.
- I appreciate Reid and Paul's slide shows that tied together the importance of our inspections with the impact on aquatic life.
- Very informative and give us more reason to take stormwater violation seriously.
- Loved learning about the efforts to assess the health of the creeks and the different species being monitored.

5. How useful were the “Performing Stormwater Inspections Modules 1-4” (West Valley Clean Water Program Videos)?

Very Useful **19**

Somewhat Useful **4**

Not Useful **0**

Comments (optional):

- I'm looking forward to seeing the fourth video.
- The videos are well done.
- It was useful in terms of re-evaluating what is to be inspected and why.
- Lindsey spoke clearly and walked us through a typical inspection which was greatly appreciated as she explained the reasons behind what an area of concern was.
- Enjoyed the virtual inspection with Lindsey.
- Great videos with excellent quality.
- Loved the videos from the West Valley Clean Water Authority!

6. How useful was the presentation “MRP 3.0 is Here: New Stormwater Permit Requirements” (Kristin Kerr, EOA, Inc.)?

Very Useful **18**

Somewhat Useful **5**

Not Useful **0**

Comments (optional):

- It's probably very useful for municipal inspectors that cover the entire MRP.
- Good information based on permits required for different project applications.
- It is very beneficial to learn of the new updates for this coming July 1st permit. Highlighting the changes in blue was appreciated, as was the breakdown of the various permit sections, C.4, C.5 etc.
- Good to know the latest regulatory requirement.

7. How useful was the presentation “County Environmental Health Stormwater Business Inspection Case Studies” (Patrick Ledesma, San Mateo County Environmental Health)?

Very Useful **19**

Somewhat Useful **4**

Not Useful **0**

Comments (optional):

- Great job
- During these trainings, I always think it is good to differentiate between rainwater and potable water. Defining the commonly used acronyms was a great reminder and good information for the newer inspectors. Noting that we too are adhering to a permit's guidelines was a good reminder.

8. What did you find most valuable in this workshop?

- The videos (3)
- MRP requirements (2)
- I liked the poll questions - that was a neat interactive thing to have throughout
- The step-by-step approach on explaining the inspections and the details about their importance, and the presentation "Assessing Creek Health in San Mateo County Watersheds" as it was something new for me.
- All of it was great!
- Being able to participate by asking questions and needing answers as such problems due exist.
- Good review of Countywide Stormwater Program and overview of MRP 3.
- I appreciate the different agencies working together and openly communicating so we are all on the same page and will deliver a similar message to the public.
- Presentation on Assessing Creek Health in San Mateo County Watersheds (3)
- Case studies and updates.

9. What would you like to see in future workshops?

- More case studies (2)
- More demonstrative and examples of industrial, commercial, and construction inspections
- Please direct more emphases on NPDES and how some treatment plants located on our coastal cities play a major role in discharging. There are many things that you must consider with water and its distribution sources.
- More of the same, a mixture of refresher training, new permit developments, examples of actual and potential discharges.
- Creek health data (2)
- I think we could dedicate more time to questions and answers, but I appreciate that you did not make us wait until the end as the momentum on that specific topic can get lost.
- Actual impact to creeks and lakes from storm water violations

10. Did this training meet your expectations?

Yes 23 No 0

11. General Comments

- Good job – thank you!
- Thanks
- Excellent workshop.
- Also, it would be really good to provide the differences between organic and inorganic

materials and where they may come from,.cross-connections found to infiltrate storm drains, and the reasons for maintaining storm drains to try and eliminate offsets within the inverts to prevent vegetation.

- Case Studies are always good.
- Loved it, thank you. I will take the time to read the new permit and update my message to owners/operators/the public appropriately. Thank you for information on the C.4. map.