



Private Land Drainage Area (PLDA) Trash Inspection Program Training Workshop

Number of Evaluations: **35**

Number of Attendees: **41**

San Mateo, CA

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

1. Classroom Portion – Private Land Drainage Areas Trash Inspections: EOA Staff

Very Useful: **33**

Somewhat Useful: **2**

Not useful: **0**

Comments:

- Very useful and insightful.
- All three speakers were very informative.
- Kristin was great.
- Difficulties of these inspections are the commitment with site owners and enforcing violations.
- Very informative. Good PowerPoint and handouts. Great onsite training examples.
- Very good presentation (3)
- Lots of information
- Learned a lot about PLDAs. They are new to me.
- Photo examples were very helpful and illustrative.
- The pacing and topics were good.
- Larger photos would be better (on the printout).
- Amazing! Really great to be in person. I especially liked the discussion on grades.
- Good overview of the program- not too specific. Those details will come out when they're out inspecting.
- The speakers were great at explaining questions the audience may have. The program had great slides provided and was very fluent.
- Useful to discuss first to define criteria.
- Please use the microphone so everyone can hear you.
- New for me
- Great chance to ask questions

2. Field Exercises – PLDA Inspections: EOA Staff

Very Useful: **26**

Somewhat Useful: **8**

Not useful: **0**

Comments:

- Always enjoy outdoor “real-life” portions. (2)
- Good examples of what we might encounter. (2)
- Visually seeing what to do
- Visual and practical is very beneficial.
- We had some past experience but great exercise. Hands on is always good.

- Sharing consistencies is important. Training to ensure inspectors have the same mindset on grading the site is important.
- Very knowledgeable. Clearly spoken.
- Good walk. Sites could be improved.
- Very informative, a nice refresher for C4 inspections.
- Unclear where water drains to on streets.
- Thought visiting multiple sites was helpful, some sites were not applicable. The group size was okay but also could have been a little smaller.
- The only thing I would suggest is to see if any of the property owners/RP can be there.
- Good variety of clean and dirty sites. Also, great to see examples of exempt sites.
- It was pretty useful to see and hear everyone's perspectives as a referral.
- Hard to get everyone to stop, listen and pay attention.
- It would be helpful to go through the inspection form and analyze the site more thoroughly to learn to use it. The inspection was a little disjointed and needed more structure.
- Great examples of C/D PLDAs.
- Need sites with more trash.

3. **Did this training meet your expectations?** Yes: **26** No: **0**

4. **What parts of the training were most useful to you?**

- Field Exercise (18)
- Stormwater reporting, record keeping
- Classroom portion (8)
- Handouts (2)
- All of it (3)
- More variation in OVTA case studies
- Q&A with EOA staff. (2)
- I enjoyed the class
- MRP requirements
- Inspection process
- Clear and better understanding of the PLDA and trash capture explanation
- General recap of requirements
- Covering details that weren't in the memo
- Comparison of A, B, C, D grades
- Both parts were helpful, I think the classroom portion was good to understand the basis of the program.

5. **What would have made this training more useful?**

- Examples from other jurisdictions once this program is established further (examples of other PLDA programs with success and lessons learned).
- Few more field exercises.
- If the PowerPoint slides were made available online.
- Sharing experiences with the group.

- I'll email you guys.
- More versatile test/training sites.
- Maybe a post 2010 development site with a trash capture device.
- Different field exercise locations.
- More applicable PLDA visits/example handbook/guide.
- Suggestions for how to implement, which departments, how to enforce.
- A/B examples.
- Wished we could have reviewed at least one of the four inspections as a group at the end in council chambers. Otherwise, how do we know we're all on the same page.
- Example of full trash capture, like pictures or more cases to discuss, enforce.
- More staff from other municipalities to show up.
- More videos.
- More experience by staff with enforcement and follow-up with properties.
- Nothing, this was excellent.

6. General Comments?

- Great workshop! (6)
- Good presentation
- More in-person trainings!
- Great info, lots of knowledge.
- Room was cold.
- A few of the PowerPoint slides on the hard copies were illegible. It would have been helpful to have had less slides on the hard copies, so the font wasn't so tiny and hard to read.
- Thank you (6)
- In general, the opportunity to meet and talk to other agencies was also helpful and enjoyable. EOA facilitators and presenters also did a wonderful job!
- Enjoyed the lunch!
- Contact list of attendees. It would be nice to be able to stay in contact with others that attended training as a resource, network.
- Maybe develop guidance documents for PLDAs.

7. Provide the best description of your current/future involvement with your municipality's PLDA Trash Inspection Program

- I currently perform PLDA inspections - **8**
- I will be performing PLDA inspections - **7**
- I am/will be involved in the program but will not perform inspections - **16**
- Not sure how/if I will be involved in the program - **8**