



STORMWATER NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Trainings

2007 Stormwater Training

Annual training is **mandatory** for all maintenance staff and for **new** employees. All employees need to know how to protect stormwater and identify illegal or threatened discharges. If cited with violations, it can result in fines of up to \$25,000 per violation per day!

Stormwater 101 Trainings

- April 26th, 2:00 p.m. at Boulder County Clerk & Recorder's, 1750 33rd St., Boulder
- May 16th, 2:00 p.m. at Boulder County Recycling Center, 1901 63rd St., Boulder
- June 7th, 2:00 p.m. at Boulder County Parks & Open Space, 5201 St. Vrain Road, Longmont

PACE is also offering on-site trainings at your shop and training for your contractors.

Please contact Bonnie Greenwood at 303-441-1174 or bsgreenwood@co.boulder.co.us to schedule an on-site training!



Stormwater Compliance Spotlights

City of Longmont Continues to Lead Municipalities in Illegal Discharge Reporting and Action!

The City of Longmont responded to several stormwater violations in the last year, all of which were reported by city employees. Violators were issued warning letters or Notices of Violation (NOVs) in accordance with the storm sewer code and were also charged for the cost of cleanup. The City of Longmont recognizes employees for reporting stormwater violations with two different programs: "You Make a Difference" and "Star Performer." Employees are awarded with gift certificates or monetary rewards, a recipients' luncheon, and public recognition.

This particular discharge was a "Porta-Potty" that had tipped over at a construction site (it was later righted). The builder was given a warning at that time to move the potty and to secure it, but city staff had to respond to another complaint at the same site a few months later. (The brown spot is sewage that leaked out right next to a storm drain!)



The Operations & Maintenance Department cleaned the sidewalk, street, inlet, sewer line, and ditch. Mary Paterniti, the City of Longmont's Industrial Pre-Treatment Coordinator, spoke to the owner and asked him to remove the potty and the contaminated dirt. A notice of violation and penalty, including the cost of abatement, was issued.

Calling All Municipal Contractors!

- Did you know that your contractors must comply with all stormwater regulations and Best Management Practices (BMPs)?
- Do you have the proper language in your contracts?
- Have your contractors watched the *Stormwatch* video and been trained?

PACE is offering FREE stormwater training for your contractors. We will schedule a training session in the Boulder/Longmont area for the contractor's staff to attend!

Please contact PACE at 303-441-1174 or 303-441-1241.

Tributary Signs for Creeks in Boulder County

Have You Seen the Signs?

All municipalities in Boulder County have installed signs at each creek crossing/bridge on roadways and bike paths in their towns. The signs designate the name of each creek and the “Keep It Clean, ‘Cause we’re All Downstream” logo. Look for the signs in your neighborhood or town. PACE will be distributing “Keep It Clean” stickers for city and county vehicles in 2007.



What is the Keep It Clean Partnership?

We have changed our name!

The Keep it Clean Partnership (KICP), formerly known as The Watershed Approach to Stream Health or “WASH” Project, is a regional stormwater quality management program serving the communities of Boulder, Longmont, Louisville, Erie, Superior, and Boulder County in water quality protection in the Boulder and St. Vrain watersheds. The primary objective of the Keep it Clean Partnership is compliance with federal Phase II stormwater regulations.

Please see our website at www.KeepItCleanPartnership.org

What is PACE?

The PACE (Partners for A Clean Environment) program is a voluntary, non-regulatory program that offers free pollution prevention education and technical assistance to Boulder County businesses. PACE is a partnership of local governments and businesses to encourage and recognize environmental achievement. Look for our logo at restaurants, auto repair and auto body shops, printers, dental offices, retail stores, and some small manufacturers. The PACE Program also provides a Stormwater Certification Program for municipal operations within Boulder County and parts of Weld County. Stormwater pollution prevention certification criteria include implementation of both structural and non-structural Best Management Practices (BMPs) for various municipal operations.



Allowing materials or wash water to enter parking lots, streets, storm drains, and eventually creeks or other water bodies is ILLEGAL!

Please Protect Storm Drains!

Two Boulder County Facilities Maintenance employees were recognized for implementing proper stormwater BMPs at the County Courthouse. They blocked the storm drain with dykes and were using a large shop vac to vacuum up wastewater from pressure washing.

Congratulations to Jesse Newcomb and Robert Finichario! They received 2 movies tickets each!

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Helpful Resources

Check out our website for a list of certified businesses, helpful resources and updates.

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