

## Attachment 2

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2008-1**  
Pierce County, Washington

**This Order Requires and Empowers Pierce County Departments to Cooperate and Coordinate on the Development and Implementation of the County's Program for Compliance with the NPDES Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit.**

**WHEREAS**, the effective management of stormwater has an important role to play in reversing the ongoing degradation of Pierce County's wetlands, streams, rivers, lakes, and Puget Sound;

**WHEREAS**, Pierce County is the owner and operator of a municipal separate storm sewer system that is regulated under Phase I of the Clean Water Act's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) via a municipal stormwater permit issued by the Washington State Department of Ecology for a term of five years beginning February 16, 2007;

**WHEREAS**, Pierce County is fully committed to complying with its Phase I NPDES permit as part of its effort to contribute to the clean up of the Puget Sound ecosystem;

**WHEREAS**, many of the County's departments have an important contribution to make to improving the quality or quantity of stormwater and must effectively make this contribution so that the region may realize its goals of cleaning up Puget Sound;

**WHEREAS**, the municipal permit requires, within one year of its effective date, either written agreements among branches of regulated municipalities or and executive order to ensure compliance;

**WHEREAS**, the municipal permit requires written documentation of the County's compliance programs, activities and annual reporting to Ecology; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clean Water Act and the Washington State Water Pollution Control Act provide for significant fines and penalties for failure to meet compliance requirements within NPDES permits;


**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, John W. Ladenburg, Pierce County Executive, do hereby order and direct all Pierce County Departments to implement the following policies and procedures to ensure Pierce County's full compliance with its municipal permit:

1. The Water Programs Division of Public Works and Utilities shall be the agency responsible for coordinating the County's municipal stormwater permit compliance activities and shall designate a municipal stormwater permit coordinator. The role of the coordinator is to facilitate and assist all affected departments with permit compliance.
2. Each affected department of the county that is directly regulated by the permit or whose activities or programs could support its water quality goals shall be responsible for understanding the requirements of the municipal permit and for integrating compliance activities into departmental programs.
3. No later than Feb. 15, 2008, each department engaging in any activities or programs that may be subject to or could support the municipal stormwater permit shall designate a municipal permit lead who will analyze the permit for its applicability to the department's programs and activities. If the permit is applicable to multiple divisions or work groups within the department, then each of those divisions and work groups shall also designate a municipal permit lead.
4. The coordinator shall assist the leads by providing links, written materials, and other information necessary to analyze the municipal permit's applicability to their programs and activities.
5. No later than March 15, 2008, the coordinator, together with the leads, shall prepare a draft written description of the compliance activities to be undertaken in 2008-2011 by each department, division, and working group, and a schedule for implementation of those compliance activities consistent with the municipal permit's deadlines. These written descriptions will become part of the County's Stormwater Management Program document to be submitted to Ecology with the first municipal permit annual report in March of 2008.
6. No later than March 15, 2008, the director of each affected department or division shall review and approve the written descriptions and commit to the staff time and other costs necessary to implement the compliance activities and schedule documented in the written descriptions.
7. No later than March 1, 2008, the coordinator, together with the leads, shall set up a reporting structure for each affected department, division, or work group. The decision about the appropriate administrative level at which to develop the reporting structure shall be made by the reporting entities with the approval of the coordinator.
8. During the annual budget development period, the leads shall communicate with the coordinator about any proposed changes to their compliance activities for the next year. If changes are to be made, a new reporting structure shall be in place by the date of budget adoption in the year before they are actually implemented.
9. No later than February 25 of each year, the leads shall submit to the coordinator the information required for the annual report to Ecology on their programs and activities.

10. These policies and procedures shall apply to subsequent municipal permits under which the County is regulated.

Dated this 8 day of Feb, 2008.

JOHN W. LADENBURG

  
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Pierce County Executive

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