



The goal of the Extension **Stormwater Education Program (SEP)** is to promote an environmentally sound Water Resources Management & Policy Implementation. SEP works to reach out to elected officials through **NEMO** (Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials) and promote innovative stormwater best management practices among the stormwater practitioners through locally tailored workshops currently known as **Stormwater U**. These workshops focus on important stormwater issues facing Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) operators such as cities and watersheds. Stormwater U workshops are designed to help MS4's meet their stormwater permit minimum control measure requirements and are designed and developed by a collaborative team including Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, MetCouncil, local agencies, and University of Minnesota. All courses include presentations, hands on learning, and peer discussions with all workshop materials available on our website.

What Stormwater U is doing in 2009-2010?

Stormwater Pond Management Series will continue its second year of providing education on pond management issues from Inventory, Inspection, Prioritization, Maintenance, SW Pond Designs, Testing and Issuing the Final Work Orders. This years series of three workshops is hosted by Minnehaha Creek Watershed District and Carver County and starts on Oct. 8, 2009.

Bioretention Maintenance Series, a new two workshops series will be focused on Bioretention Routine and Structural Maintenance. Workshops are hosted by Washington Conservation District and Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District and start on Oct. 16, 2009.

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Stormwater Workshops & Training

STORMWATER U WORKSHOPS: The Stormwater U workshop series is designed to help city workers and engineers to meet their stormwater permit minimum control measure requirements and to educate these professional on stormwater issues.

Stormwater U workshops are interactive and informative for all participants. The following is a breakdown of our workshops:

- **Presentations:** Will focus on specific topics and technical issues of stormwater ponds to detail how and why minimum requirements need to be met.
- **Field Practice:** Examine area ponds, discuss case studies, and learn first hand how to perform important tasks to managing and maintaining stormwater ponds.
- **Roundtable Discussions:** Talk with other stormwater professionals participating in the workshop to gain insight and knowledge about stormwater wetland management and explore other stormwater issues related to communities in the area.



Stormwater U Workshops Coming Soon:

We are continuing to develop workshops on important stormwater education topics. A few workshops that will be coming soon are: Road Salt Management, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, Bioretention Practices, and Wetlands & Stormwater Management. If you have any specific needs, please contact us.

Stormwater U Funding & Sponsors:

For the years 2009-10, Stormwater U's efforts in Minnesota are being funded by the following:



- East Metro Water Resource Education Program
- Metropolitan Council
- Minnehaha Creek Watershed District
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District
- St. Anthony Falls Laboratory
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- University of Minnesota Extension
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