

AGENDA

Boise Area Municipal Stormwater NPDES Permit Permittee Meeting

Tuesday, October 21, 2025
5800 Meeker Ave. – Boise Depot Conference Room
9:00am – 11:00am

9:00 Introductions, Review of Agenda, Meeting Summaries

- Additions/modifications to the agenda
- Review of 7/15/25 meeting
Permittee Action: Review, approval of meeting summary

Monica

9:05 Education and Outreach Update

Andrea

- Pub Ed Program and Budget Update
- Pub Ed Annual Report Materials and Timeline
Permittee Action: Information; Discussion

9:25 Monitoring Update

Kristen

- Water Year 2025 Sampling Summary
- Contract/ Budget Update
- Monitoring Annual Reports and Timeline
Permittee Action: Information; Discussion

9:45 Annual Report Planning

ALL

- Review past shared information/timeline
- Does everyone have what they need?
Permittee Action: Information; Discussion

10:15 Reapplication

ALL

- Feb or March coordination meeting?
- Update to Checklist
- Questions regarding IDEQ correspondence?

ALL

10:30 Other Updates

10:50 Proposed 2026 Meeting Schedule

- January 27, 2026 (Budget Proposals for 2027) – 4th Tuesday
- April 21, 2026
- July 21, 2026
- October 20, 2026

11:00 Wrap Up and Adjourn

PERMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

BOISE AREA MS4 STORMWATER PERMIT – October 21, 2025

Attendees

Greg Vitely, Idaho Transportation Department
Andrea Leonard, City of Boise
Andy Long, City of Boise
Abbey Germaine, Elam & Burke/DD3
Jennifer Ellis, Boise State University

James Pavelek, Garden City
Adam Van Patten, ACHD
Monica Lowe, ACHD
Kristen Jollilife, ACHD
Christina Beeson, City of Caldwell

Introductions and Meeting Summary Approval

July 15, 2025, meeting minutes were approved with modification to remove cancelled reapplication meeting date. The meeting minutes will be posted to the Partners for Clean Water website.

Public Education and Outreach (PubEd) Update

Quarter 4 was busy with events and continuation of the media campaign. The Partners for Clean Water participated in the following events:

- A couple of First Thursdays at City Hall
- Neighborhood Concert Series
- Water Jamboree to celebrate 75th anniversary of the Lander Street Water Renewal facility
- Treasure Valley Stormwater Conference – 84 in attendance. Please provide any comments and suggestions to Andrea Leonard.

Media outreach included:

- Radio ads in English and Spanish
- Ads in Boise Dev
- Social Media: Facebook and Instagram
- City of Boise's *In the Know* Newsletter

Upcoming PubEd products include information on proper leaf disposal, development of a new website (launch expected April 2026); the annual PubEd summary for the annual report (expected December), and a comprehensive permit term PubEd program summary for the permit renewal application.

Monitoring Update

The Boise Airport has received 12.49" of rain this year so far which is about one inch above normal for this time of year.

The sampling activities summary indicates that ACHD has attempted to sample six storm events to collect three successful grabs and composite samples from each monitoring station. While enough data was collected throughout the year, multiple samples were qualified for various reasons that include exceeding bacteria holding times and temperature maximums for composite samples. Storm timing and availability of lab personnel will continue to be a challenge for meeting bacteria sample holding times with the current procedures. ACHD is considering options to ensure composite sample temperatures are not exceeded.

Beginning in fiscal year (FY) 2026, the Boise Water Quality Lab (WQL) will be able to analyze the Permittee's stormwater samples but will not be able to split the composite samples into the various sample bottles for analyses and perform bottle cleaning/decon as they have in the past. ACHD is preparing a lab to be able to perform the function the WQL can no longer support in addition to bacteria analyses. This will alleviate some of the issues we observed this year resulting in qualified samples.

A total of \$246,882.92, 64% of the Monitoring budget was spent during fiscal year 2025. A contract for consultant assistance in stormwater sampling and graphics support for Phase I permit reapplication is currently being finalized. Due to challenges with consultant staff consistency, ACHD will perform monitoring reporting in-house with existing monitoring staff. The FY26 budget will be difficult to project with lab responsibilities shared between the WQL and ACHD monitoring staff and additional reporting functions performed by ACHD staff instead of consultants.

The 4th annual draft monitoring reports: Wet Weather Monitoring Report, Americana Subwatershed Report, and Temperature Report, will be sent to the Permittees for review on December 12th. All comments are due by January 5th.

ACHD will meet with Drainage District 3 Board of Directors on November 13th to share the basics of the monitoring program. The Board would like to discuss how benchmarks are used and the direction of the program so they can better understand the big picture.

Annual Reporting

The Permittees reviewed the information request table from previous years. ACHD will send the table to the group. An additional meeting to review annual report materials as a group is not currently scheduled.

Phase I Permit Renewal Application

The Permittees reviewed permit reapplication requirements and discussed which items are provided by each Permittee, provided by ACHD, or other.

Each Permittee is required to submit a complete permit renewal package to include EPA Form 1. Form 1 requires MS4 map layers, and a topo layer uploaded to IDEQs cloud storage link. Consider trimming the layers down to only what is required to expedite your upload. A Certifying Official must sign the reapplication submittal.

An additional meeting will be scheduled for March 10th to discuss reapplication issues. If a Permittee is requesting substantial changes to the Permit, please notify the group, since it may impact the other Permittees.

Permittee Updates

The update and translation of the Erosion BMP Guidebook into Spanish is now completed. ITD will be looking into printing costs and will share information with the Permittees.

City of Boise collected a sample for 6PPD analysis and results can be shared with the group. The group discussed Permit requirements stating that if additional sampling is conducted it must be reported. At the time of the discussion, it was not clear if the sample for 6PPD was a river or stormwater sample. Additional stormwater analyses by the Permittees should be considered as a group, since the data will be reported with the other stormwater data.

ACHD will send the Permittees invites to FY26 quarterly meetings and the March reapplication meeting.

Next Meeting – January 27, 2026 – Budget proposals