



Colorado Stormwater Council  
2024 Annual Report

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## Thank You

Thank you to our officers, committee chairs, members, and partners who make CSC possible. Our committee chairs work tirelessly to educate, coordinate meetings, facilitate discussions, and help solve issues presented by members. Thank you to our members who engage by asking great questions, sharing resources, and offering solutions that have worked for them. Finally, thank you to our partners who develop shared resources, host meetings, and facilitate conversations that enable us all to accomplish more together.

Iain Baker  
2023-2024 Chair

# Committee Achievements & Objectives

A snapshot of the Colorado Stormwater Council Committees' achievements from this past year and goals for 2025.

## Construction Committee

**Committee Chair:** Nick Weston (City of Greeley), Jenn Keyes (Boulder County)

### Committee Purpose

The Construction Committee explores variations of municipal construction site programs and identifies successful components of inspections, enforcement, documentation, and plan review. Additionally, the Committee investigates opportunities to offer statewide training and certifications for inspectors of the local jurisdictions. The Committee fosters communication with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) Water Quality Control Division (Division) specific to Construction Site Runoff Control programs to set clear expectations and improve consistency.

### 2024 Achievements

- Stream Bank Restoration Field Trip (9/16/2024) 20 Participants





- Added Dewatering training to available training opportunities
- Achieved a total of 119 people trained.

## 2024 Construction Training & Field Trips

<b>Training</b>	<b>Host</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Attendees</b>
Construction Dewatering		5/30/24	27
Stormwater Compliance for Construction		6/25/24	22
MS4 Construction Inspector Training		8/6/24	32
Stream Bank Restoration Field Trip		9/16/24	20
CIP Stormwater Compliance		10/22/24	18
		<b>Total</b>	<b>119</b>

## 2025 Construction Committee Goals

- Expand the training program to include a mix of instructor-led and online self-paced training
- Develop a new training program for inspecting stormwater control measures during construction
- Creating a forum for MS4 construction staff to share compliance concerns.
- Planning a field visit to a BMP facility
- Revisit the Westminster Stream Restoration Project

## Post-Construction Committee

**Committee Chairs:** Jeremiah Unger (CDOT), Spencer Myrlie (Larimer County)

### **Committee Purpose:**

The post-construction committee helps members maintain Stormwater Control Measures (SCMs) after construction. The committee provides examples of as-builts and Operation and Maintenance manuals for Post-Construction permit compliance. They also work closely with Mile High Flood District and the Stormwater Center to understand the effectiveness of SCMs.

## 2024 Post-Construction Committee Accomplishments

- Facilitated discussion on phase-II permit inspection frequency permit language.
- Reviewed and provided feedback on the Volume 3 Chapter 4 MHFD manual update
- Developed Operation and Maintenance Contractor list with the Keep it Clean Partnership
- Co-developed firefighter training hosted by the O&M Committee.
- Colorado Stormwater Center review and recommendations.
- Explored STEPP program options for the Colorado Stormwater Council.
- Researched and analyzed Colorado's MS4 TSS requirements.
- Acted as a forum for post-construction SCM questions and discussions.

## 2025 Post-Construction Committee Goals

- Share additional examples of Post-Construction resources such as templates, checklists, and code language for permit compliance.
- Contribute additional contractors to the SCM Inspection and Maintenance list.
- Migrate additional resources to the new website.
- Develop a training class for SCMs during construction.
- Continue to support the general council and the Permit Compliance Committee on Phase-II permit language relating to Post-Construction Stormwater Management.
- Update members on Post-Construction training and classes.

## Education & Outreach Committee

**Committee Chairs:** Rebecca Wertz (Town of Firestone)

### **Committee Purpose**

The Education and Outreach (E&O) Committee researches, consolidates, and organizes existing educational materials on a statewide level. The Committee evaluates the feasibility of presenting, distributing and collaborating with local and national entities desiring to provide education and outreach within Colorado. The Committee recommends cost-effective programs and assists with implementing these programs for the CSC membership. Efforts may include a proposed budget, a cost-benefit analysis, and strategy for quantifying the success of each program recommended to the CSC.

### 2024 E&O Accomplishments

- Led the Education and Outreach Campaign
- Started bus advertising campaign on the Bustang
- Provided internal educational materials for MS4s via News Posts

### 2025 E&O Goals

- Update E&O resources to ensure compliance with ADA standards
- Sponsor a stormwater event or activity for 2025

## Legislative Committee

**Committee Chair:** Pam Acre (City of Northglenn)

### **Committee Purpose:**

The Legislative Committee monitors state and federal legislative issues and activities and assesses their impact on the Council members. The Committee prepares advisory or educational statements for transmission to the appropriate legislative body or agency. The Committee works with the Division on policies derived from regulations, especially those with little stakeholder input that may impact existing permit requirements. The Committee forms associations with other local and national entities that track environmental policy and legislative issues.

### 2024 Achievements

- Updated members on legislation that may impact MS4 permittees

### 2025 Goals

- Continue to update members on stormwater-related legislation
- Create guidance on how members and CSC can interact with legislators

## Non-Standard Committee

**Committee Chair:** Forrest Dykstra (Highlands Ranch Metro District)

**Committee Purpose:**

The Non-Standard Committee coordinates the requirements and needs of Non-Standard MS4s with the CDPS Phase I and II MS4 Permits. The Non-Standard permit holders include school districts, higher education institutions, and special districts. The Committee identifies and addresses issues and needs unique to the various Non-Standard permittees in Colorado. The Committee interacts with other sub-committees to address the needs of Non-Standard permittees.

### 2024 Achievements

- Assisted non-standard permittees in understanding new requirements due in 2024

### 2025 Goals

- Coordinate monitoring planning for Barr Milton Watershed TMDL

## Municipal Operations Committee

**Committee Chairs:** Jessica Clayton (City of Colorado Springs), Jennifer Keyes (Boulder County)

**Committee Purpose:**

The Municipal Operations Committee provides training and educational resources to members for permit-related compliance on municipal facilities and operations.

### 2024 Achievements

- Presented to the Colorado Fire Training Officers Meeting, 57 attendees
- Hosted Rural and Urban Storm Drain Cleaning, 62 attendees
- Hosted and presented SPCC Guidelines, 50 attendees
- Hosted CDPHE on the Aquatic Pesticides Permit, 32 attendees
- Recorded presentations and made them available online for all members

### 2025 Goals

- Goal: Present Runoff Control Plan training to Phase II's.
- Goal: Have LTAP present to the MO Committee on what services they provide.
- Goal: Schedule a site visit to the E-470 facility.
- Goal: Consider a nutrient presentation in late 2025 in anticipation of new Phase II permit requirements.

# Permit Compliance Committee

**Committee Chair:** Joseph Marenick (City of Castle Pines), James Linden (SEMSWA)

**Committee Purpose:**

The Permit Compliance Committee (PCC) provides expertise on compliance with all MS4 permit programs including implementation of permit requirements and documentation of permit compliance. The PCC continues to act as a conduit for communication with the Division on defining/determining compliance with activities related to the required programs under the Phase II MS4 Permit. The PCC has established mentoring relationships among Council members and has addressed issues relating to program audits, permit renewals, and the impact of other regulatory activities such as other discharge permits and Total Maximum Daily Loads. As PermitPower Users, the PCC can provide insight for Permittees into the vast and various implications of “language” in ordinances, permits, and program descriptions.

## 2024 Achievements

- Led the preparation of materials and discussion topics for MS4 Quarterly Workgroup meetings with CDPHE

## 2025 Goals

- Help Phase 2 permittees understand the proposed permit updates.
- Continue to lead discussion topics for MS4 Quarterly Workgroup meetings.

# Community Partners

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