

Stream Benthos Monitoring Coordination

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Stormwater Work Group

- The Stormwater Work Group recommended that stream benthos monitoring be included in next municipal NPDES stormwater permits
 - 50 randomly selected sites in urban Puget Lowland streams
 - 50 randomly selected sites in rural Puget Lowland streams
- Also recommended support and use of data management system PugetSoundStreamBenthos.org

Puget Sound Partnership

- PSP staff and many stakeholders are recommending that Puget Lowland stream B-IBI be added as a 21st dashboard environmental indicator
- Related to two key environmental attributes that are critical to a “healthy Puget Sound”
 - Stormwater flow control
 - Stream riparian habitat