

**TEN STEP PLANNER
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION**

REQUESTED BY: Jeff Schnabel / Rod Swanson

TOPIC: Clark County Stormwater Manual and Municipal Code update

WORK SESSION STAFF:

Don Benton – DES Director;
Jeff Schnabel – Interim Clean Water Program Manager;
Rod Swanson – NPDES Manager;
Jane Tesner Kleiner – Project Coordinator

DATE DESIRED:

LENGTH OF TIME NEEDED: **One hour**

DESIRED DATE: **August 19, 2015**

SCHEDULED DATE OF WORK SESSION: _____

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS: Staff have completed the adoption draft of the proposed updates to the Clark County Stormwater Manual and the related municipal code (13.26A and 40.385), including a public comment period. Per the County's NPDES Phase 1 Municipal Stormwater Permit, the code and manual updates are required to be adopted and made effective by January 8, 2016. A meeting at this time will allow staff to make any necessary adjustments to the documents based on feedback from the BOCC and prepare for a BOCC hearing in November 2015.

DESIRED RESULTS: The goal of the meeting is to update the BOCC on the current status of the code and manual updates. Staff will provide a summary of the public outreach process to date and highlight any significant concerns or issues noted from the public. Staff will also review the comments received from Ecology on the Review Draft. The BOCC will provide input and direction to finish the updates for adoption of Final Adoption documents.

IMPACTS (COMMUNITY/FINANCIAL/STAFF/OTHER): These documents are requirements of the County's NPDES Municipal Phase 1 Stormwater Permit.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS: Given the changes in the 2013 NPDES permit and amendments in late 2014, there will be changes to the county's land development policies. This will affect the work in numerous departments such as Public Works, Community Planning and Community Development. Staff will need to update processes and policies to ensure compliance with the regulations while ensuring an easy to follow process for citizens.

ISSUES OR TRADE-OFFS TO BE CONSIDERED: The significant changes in the code and manual will be to include Low Impact Development techniques as a requirement for new development and redevelopment projects. The goal is to manage stormwater runoff as close to the location where it falls as possible, to replicate natural systems and minimize impact to downstream systems.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize staff to move forward to finalize Final Adoption documents of the proposed updates to the stormwater code and design manual to be adopted and made effective by January 8, 2016.

MEMORIALIZING THE OUTCOME: Per BOCC policy, the work session will be audiotaped and posted on the County's Grid web page. DES staff will also be compiling summary notes.

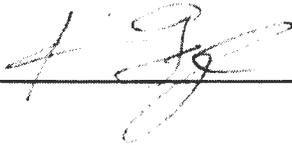
APPROVED FOR SCHEDULING:

Program Manager:



DATE 7-14-15

Environmental Services Director:



DATE 7/14/15