



MS4 MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

OUR MISSION: *The Iowa Stormwater Education Partnership (ISWEP) develops and delivers educational resources and technical services to member communities and organizations as well as training and certification programs, for those who work to protect and improve water quality in Iowa.*

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency MS-4 stormwater regulatory requirements prompted our founding in 2005. More than 10 years later, our twofold goal then remains the same today: compliant and effective local stormwater management programs with unified education and outreach delivered statewide.

Educational Materials

In your hands! Three meetings, three educational toolboxes. Toolbox resources may include brochures, technical bulletins, inspection forms, checklists, PowerPoint presentations or marketing resources. All work to deliver quality programming in your community.

Resources Library

Check it out! Members have access to watershed models, watershed games, rain garden models, stormwater and Rainscaping tabletop displays, training DVDs, and new to the mix "Gill," ISWEP's six-foot mascot (you provide the person inside!)

Check GILL out anytime!



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At your fingertips! The ISWEP website meets all requirements, as outlined in your NPDES permit for residents and businesses. This is also where you'll find the "members only" and access to the educational tools and resources developed over the last 10+ years.

FLEX Funds

Spend as YOU please! Additional education materials, localized training, staff attending ISWEP training - you choose how these funds are spent. Membership fees determine Flex Funds allocated to your community.

Training Discounts

Save big time! Training discounts for any ISWEP event - no limit to the number of events you attend. ISWEP has six Certification programs, and the Rainscaping Iowa training. (see page two for complete list).

Regulatory Updates

Stay in the know! Don't have time to read the Federal Code? Staff stays abreast and summarizes federal and state changes for you. WE also share changes in local ordinances - information you need to stay current with regulatory changes.

National Alliance

Power in numbers! ISWEP is a member of the newly formed National Municipal Stormwater Alliance-a partnership with other similar state groups who plan to lobby EPA on behalf of all members.

According to current members the greatest benefit to ISWEP membership may be NETWORKING!

Do you have a question, about what others do about construction site runoff control OR is your council asking for additional information on a specific topic for which you need more information? In short order, you will have many "what is working for us" responses from members throughout the state.

ISWEP members meet three times a year for distribution of educational toolboxes, discussing current programming and NETWORKING! Our last meeting of the year is a full day "Stormwater Summit" which allows members to share local successes, in any area related to stormwater, with all members.



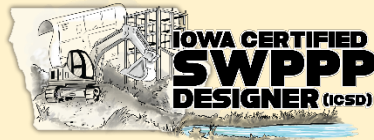
CERTIFICATION & TRAINING PROGRAMS

MS4 STAFF



Certification program appropriate for those with an interest in or need to understand municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), includes new hires or existing staff with new duties. Training covers all six permit control measures AND watershed management. Registration is open year-round as training is via pre-recorded webinars.

CONSTRUCTION SITE RUNOFF CONTROL



Certification program appropriate for those involved with the **design, review or approval** of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPPs). Training covers NPDES & GP#2, Rules, Regulations & Required Documentation, Soil Erosion & sedimentation Process, Three Phases of SWPPP Design, SWPPP Templates & Supporting Resources and SWPPP Shortfalls & How to Avoid Them



Certification program appropriate for **inspectors** of Iowa construction sites, based on Iowa design guidelines and regulatory requirements. Training covers regulatory requirements; erosion, sediment and velocity control; post construction stormwater management practices; SWPPP essentials; and inspector requirements.



Certification program appropriate for **installers** of construction site pollution prevention practices. Training covers regulatory requirements; General Permit #2; the erosion process; design, specifications and proper installation of erosion, sediment and velocity controls and pollution prevention practices; SWPPP essentials; and SUDAS resources.

POST-CONSTRUCTION RUNOFF CONTROL (STORMWATER MANAGEMENT)



Certification program appropriate for **designers** of Green Infrastructure (infiltration-based stormwater practices). Training covers design guidelines as specified in the Iowa Stormwater Management Manual. Registration is open as training is via pre-recorded webinars for each practice.



Certification program appropriate for employees and contractors tasked with **inspection and maintenance** of stormwater practices to keep them functioning properly and reduce the likelihood of practice failure. Training covers components, function, inspection and maintenance of both water quantity and water quality best management practices.



Training, education and outreach program focused on the **design and installation** of infiltration based stormwater management practices. Training covers all aspect of practices – sizing, location, and material and plant selection – as recommended in Iowa Stormwater Management and the Iowa Rain Garden Manuals. Registration is open as training is via a pre-recorded webinar for each practice.

ISWEP Member Bonus. Rainscaping Iowa marketing materials developed for each practice & RainscapingIowa.Org website dedicated to infiltration practices education.