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Storm Feature



The StormTV Project returns for 2016

For the fifth year, the Water Environment Federation (WEF) will host the StormTV Project. However, this year the project will be an exhibition instead of a competition. The program recognizes and highlights the work of stormwater professionals while collecting and sharing great ideas, so communities can learn from one another.

From June 10 to July 15, WEF will be accepting videos of innovative stormwater programs, practices, products, and public outreach. Organizations can submit up to 10 videos in one of four categories: public education, training, commercial, and programs and projects.

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WEF submits comments on EPA's draft 2017 Construction

Stormwater General Permit

The Water Environment Federation (WEF) recently provided comments on the Draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activities. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency made the draft permit available for a 45-day public comment period, which concluded on May 26, 2016. The permit included a number of updates and proposals to which EPA specifically requested public feedback. [Read more](#)

Chicago breaks ground for stormwater diversion tunnel

On Sunday, May 22, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) of Greater Chicago and the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) broke ground on a joint project to relieve the threat of catastrophic flooding in the Albany Park neighborhood. The stormwater diversion tunnel will have capacity to divert 65 m³/s (2300 ft³/s) to prevent the types of floods that devastated this neighborhood twice in recent years.

The project will take 2 years to construct a tunnel 45 m (150 ft) below ground level to divert stormwater about 2.25 km (1.4 mi) from the North Branch of the Chicago River to the North Shore Channel. The approximately \$70 million project will produce an estimated 250 construction jobs. [Read more](#)

NYC begins building 321 curbside rain gardens

On May 25, New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Acting Commissioner Steven Lawitts and Department of Design and Construction (DDC) Commissioner Feniosky Peña-Mora announced work has begun to build approximately 321 specially designed curbside rain gardens in the Queens neighborhoods of Sunnyside, Maspeth, and Ridgewood. When construction is completed later this year, each rain garden will have the capacity to collect and absorb up to 9400 L (2500 gal) of stormwater. [Read more](#)

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Yanweizhou Park: Ecological design builds urban water resiliency; Zero discharge approach promises revolutionary change



The Yanweizhou Park project in Jinhua, China won the World Architecture Foundation's 2015 Landscape of the Year for its beauty, resilience, and multi-functional solutions for wastewater treatment, flood prevention, and water management. Andrew Buck of the Chinese landscape architecture firm Turenscape explains how the resilient landscape of the waterfront park works.



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