

YOUR SOURCE FOR STORMWATER

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THE STORMWATER INSTITUTE

The Water Environment Federation's (WEF) Stormwater Institute (SWI) serves as a center of excellence to address the growing issues of stormwater management. SWI is a hub for technical information, networking and policy advocacy.

SWI programs include:

- The National Green Infrastructure Certification Program (NGICP); www.ngicp.org
- The Stormwater Testing and Evaluation for Products and Practices (STEPP) Initiative
- The National Municipal Stormwater and Green Infrastructure (GI) Awards
- WEFTEC Stormwater Congress
- *World Water: Stormwater Management* magazine
- The Stormwater Report online newsletter
- Targeted Stormwater Projects

SWI subscribers enjoy exclusive benefits, such as:

- Opportunity to provide input and direction on new SWI projects and participate in their development
- Exclusive subscriber webcasts
- Briefings on stormwater legislative issues and early input on regulatory activities
- Recognition in SWI publications
- Invitations to SWI special events, including networking opportunities

The SWI community of subscribers consists of:

- Municipal stormwater agencies
- Stormwater and GI practitioners
- Technology providers
- Academics and researchers
- State and federal regulators, and
- Regional stormwater organizations



WHY WEF?

Since its establishment in 1928, WEF has developed a global reach and reputation with the proven ability to deliver high-quality products and services to the wastewater community. Now with SWI, WEF is able to bring the same level of service to the stormwater sector. In addition to the SWI-specific programs, SWI is integrated with the larger WEF infrastructure including:

- Policy and Regulatory team that advocates for legislation and funding for water sector priorities
- *Water & Environment Technology* magazine
- Online learning
- WEF's high-quality technical publications

Stormwater is the only growing source of water pollution in many watersheds across the country, with more than 80% of impairments stemming from nonpoint and urban stormwater discharges. Combined sewer overflows (CSO) occur in nearly 800 US cities and discharge billions of gallons of untreated sewage directly into waterways. In addition to CSOs, there are about 7,500 municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) communities, as well as industrial and construction sites that all discharge stormwater into our waterways. It is clear that since stormwater is a national issue, WEF's national leadership and reach is a critical component to addressing the issue.