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Columbia Section Meeting – April 19th, 2006

Date: Wednesday April 19th, 2006, 2005 from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Place: Shilo Inn, George Washington Way, Richland

Meal: Buffet (Chef's choice)

ASCE Membership Campaign

ASCE members will receive a **free lunch** simply by bringing in a non ASCE member. The accompanied non ASCE member will also receive a free lunch. ASCE members can sponsor up to two non members. This will be available to the first 40 people that walk through the door. After the **first 40 people**, the lunch will be \$7.50 for all others.

Topic: Construction Stormwater General Permit (NPDES) and Compliance Recommendations

Speaker: Ray Latham, Water Quality Section / CRO, Washington State Department of Ecology

Lunch will start at 11:30, and the presentation will begin at Noon.

RSVP to: Darral Moore, dsm@jub.com or 509-783-2144 by April 17th, 2005.



<http://access.wa.gov/>

The **Construction Stormwater General Permit** and fact sheet are available for downloading. These are the **new final general permit documents issued on November 16, 2005**. These documents are for reference purposes. Applicants for coverage under the general permit will receive a signed copy of the permit when coverage is issued.

- [Construction Stormwater FINAL Permit \(2005\)](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/construction_final_permit.pdf)
(http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/construction_final_permit.pdf)
- [Construction Stormwater FINAL Fact Sheet \(2005\)](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/construction_fact_sheet_final.pdf)
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President's Message

Put away the glove and hats. Spring has finally sprung. Construction is in full swing and it is a busy time of year. Well, if you missed last month's meeting, you didn't miss much because there was no meeting. We have an **upcoming meeting on April 19th, 2006 starting at 11:30**. The speaker is Mr. Ray Latham, Water Quality Section WSDOE. The topic will be the Construction Stormwater General Permit (NPDES) & Compliance Recommendations. This is a must show meeting as the new regulations will be taking affect soon. To **celebrate your support of ASCE Columbia Section over the years and to attract potential new ASCE members**, we are having a **lunch special** for our April meeting. ASCE members will receive a **free lunch** simply by bringing in a non ASCE member. The accompanied non ASCE member will also receive a free lunch. ASCE members can sponsor up to two non members. This will be available to the first 40 heads that walk through the door. Non ASCE members not accompanied by an ASCE member will pay \$7.50, a 50% savings. After **the first 40 heads**, the lunch will be \$7.50 for all others. So, don't be late and bring a guest.

The **ASCE Columbia Section funded \$300** to the *Fox River Team of St. Patrick's School* for the Future City Competition this past January. Students created a model city using the Sims City software, built a physical model city to scale, prepared an abstract and essay and gave a 5-minute presentation to a panel of local judges. The top teams from area schools then went to Seattle, Washington for the state competition. Approximately 25 teams from Washington State were judged. The winner of the State Competition was Fox River of St. Patrick's School. *Fox River Team then went to Washington, D.C.* to compete in the **National Finals** in February. They gave it their best at Washington, D.C. but didn't win. However, they represented Washington State and the Tri-Cities exceptionally. **Fox River team members included Collin Price, Ailis Thornhill and Taylor Graham.** Future City mentors were **Ben Volk, Bruce Napier and Darral Moore.** **Congratulations to all involved in this competition!**

ASCE Columbia Section has once again supported the 51st annual Mid-Columbia Regional Science and Engineering Fair. The fair usually is held during the first weekend of March. ASCE Columbia Section contributed \$300 to this great event. The Mid Columbia Science Fair typically has well over 250 middle school students throughout the Columbia Basin showcasing their science projects. Winners usually receive science camp scholarships to further their education. Volunteers are always needed for judging of the science projects. So, put a reminder in your notebook for next year.

Did you know that **ASCE Columbia Section has two \$1000 scholarships available** for the school year 2006-2007? *The Howard Preston Scholarship* will be awarded August 1, 2006. **Applications for scholarships must be received by June 1, 2006.** We have gotten off to a late start this year for notification, so pass the word.

Finally, we are getting close for voting of new officers for 2006-2007. Elections will be conducted during our June meeting. If interested in becoming involved please contact any of the current officers.

Sincerely,

Darral