CHECKLIST

Field Monitoring Procedure & Packing List

STORMWATER MONITORING PROJECT

First of the month

- Check daytime low tide dates for your town.
- Select your day & reserve equipment.

Anacortes Volunteers: https://friendsofsalishsea.org/volunteerresources

Before you head out

- For the most updated version, print out Stormwater Monitoring Datasheets from the website: www.friendsofsalishsea.org
- Fill out top of Field & Lab Datasheets.
- Determine rainfall for the past 24 hours: www.weather.gov. Enter your town in the box, select the closest weather station, hit enter. From options on the right, select 3day history. Find your start time in the table.
- Assemble equipment and instruments.
- Turn on your YSI meter.

In the field, at each outfall

- Record your arrival time.
- Record the flow & expected flow based on rainfall.
- Bacteria: Collect bacteria samples. Rinse container 3x & keep 4th fill.

- YSI Meter: Dip probe in water sample & stir gently for 15 seconds.
- Record readings on datasheet.
- DO will take longest. Swirl/stir probe quickly, but slow enough not to spill sample. When DO increases or decreases slightly in a random pattern record the value.
- Observations of outfall or creek. Record color, odor & visual indicators.
- Leave YSI meter on between sites.
- Record air temp last.

Back at the lab

Complete datasheet. Include end time.
Photograph datasheets with smartphone & send to:

surveydatasheets@googlegroups.com and woodc@umich.edu

PDF format preferred

- Rinse out sample cup & vial of any sediment or debris.
- Turn off YSI meter & wipe instrument with bleach wipes. Remove grey vinyl probe cover and place probe in pink storage solution.



Equipment Packing List

- · Map of sites
- · Clipboard
- · Datasheets for Field & Lab
- · Field notebook
- · Pen/pencil/Sharpie
- · Hand sanitizer
- Plastic gloves (if desired)
- YSI instrument turn on before packing in backpack
- · Field thermometer
- · Sampling cup or bucket
- Sampling pole (if needed)
- Phone
- Bacteria sampling containers (enough for all outfalls, plus 1 for duplicate)
- Cooler and icepack for bacteria samples (Bellingham)
- Backpack