

SAVE THE DATE

Pacific Northwest Tribal Clean Water Act Training

November 17-20, 2025

Tulip Resort Casino

Tulalip, WA



The Pacific Northwest Tribal Clean Water Act Training is scheduled for November 17-20, 2025, at the Tulip Resort Casino in Tulalip, WA. Tribal water quality and water resource staff are invited to join us and learn how to enhance your program's capability to implement Clean Water Act (CWA) programs. The training will address CWA programs including Section 106, Section 319, Section 303(d), water quality standards, and wetlands and will be useful to Tribes who work on these programs or are interested in pursuing Treatment in a similar manner as a State (TAS) status for one or more programs. The training workshop will be targeted to Tribes who conduct water quality monitoring, issue water quality certifications, and address water quality issues, nonpoint source pollution, and impaired waters/TMDLs. Tribal staff from across the country are invited, although there will be a focus on examples and applications for Tribes in the Pacific Northwest.

The training is being organized by the National Association of Wetland Managers (NAWM) and Saint Mary's University of Minnesota GeoSpatial Services (SMUMN GSS), in partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Draft Agenda Outline:

Monday, Nov. 17, 2025 Optional morning session Afternoon session for all	Day 1: Big Picture – Optional morning session will provide an introduction to CWA programs. Afternoon session will kick off the full training and include an overview of water resource/ water quality programs and review recent updates to CWA programs and policies.
Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2025 Full day of sessions	Days 2 and 3: In-depth Training – Two full days of sessions providing Tribe-to-Tribe sharing of lessons learned and first-hand experiences, as well as focused training sessions from Tribal and EPA staff on monitoring and assessment, data management, water quality standards, and regulatory and non-regulatory approaches.
Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2025 Full day of sessions	
Thursday, Nov. 20, 2025 Field trip	Day 4: Field Trip – Field trip to area sites and opportunity to view examples of the water quality approaches discussed during the training sessions.

This Training Is For You!

We want to hear from you about your training needs and priorities and will be looking for tribal presenters to share their experiences and perspectives. We will hold a virtual informational meeting will be held on Monday, April 28, 2025, at 11:00am PDT to share plans for the training and hear your feedback on training needs and priority focus areas. To register for the informational meeting, [click here](#).

For More Information:

If you have questions or would like to be included on the mailing list for the training, please reach out to Portia Osborne, NAWM Assistant Director, at portia@nawm.org or (207) 892-3399. The [Training Webpage](#) will include information on registration, accommodations, and more in the coming months.