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## **Press Release**

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## 2019 Solutions to Stormwater Pollution Student Calendar Contest

Cowlitz Clean Waters is sponsoring its second annual calendar contest to raise awareness of the solutions to stormwater pollution.

Cowlitz Clean Waters is encouraging middle school students to tap their creativity to create artwork and write haikus illustrating and conveying the ways that we can stop stormwater pollution and keep our local streams, rivers and lakes clean and healthy. The twelve winning pieces of art and twelve haikus will be featured in the Cowlitz Clean Waters 2019 *Solutions to Stormwater Pollution* Calendar.

Grand prize for the winning artwork is a \$350 Amazon gift card, with \$50 gift cards for artwork runner-ups and \$25 for each haiku selected for the calendar. Entry form and contest rules are available at <a href="https://www.cowlitzcleanwaters.org/contest">www.cowlitzcleanwaters.org/contest</a>

The deadline for submittal is Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Cowlitz Clean Waters is a collaborative initiative of the City of Kelso, City of Longview, Cowlitz County, Consolidated Drainage Improvement District #1 (CDID#1), Kelso School District, Longview School District, Washington State University (WSU) Cowlitz County Extension and the Lower Columbia College.

This partnership is committed to a public information and education campaign to help inform the Lower Columbia region about the impacts of stormwater runoff on our local waterways and to affect behavior changes and water quality improvements in our communities.

If you have questions you may contact Van McKay at the City of Kelso at 360-423-6590.

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