MS4 Overview of Items Noted in DEP Inspections and What's next with MS4s?

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MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4)

What is a MS4?

- Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
- Any conveyance that is:
 - Used for collecting and/or conveying stormwater
 - Owned by a municipality or any other public body
 - Not used as a combined sewer
 - Not part of Publically Owned Treatment Works
- Current Permit is 5-Year Permit
- Goal for DEP: To inspect each MS4 within the 5-Year Permit term
- DEP Southwest began inspections in 2015





DEP Inspections

Plan for full day with DEP Inspector

- First half of the day spent in the office reviewing the documentation related to each MCM
- Second half od day in the field inspecting public works facilities, BMPs, outfalls, etc.

The appropriate staff are available

- o Key personnel such as:
 - MS4 coordinator/manager
 - Public works Director/Supervisor
 - Municipal Engineer



INSPECTIONS BY DEP

- To ensure that all the required inspection goals are met we request that the following materials are to be pulled from the municipal files, separated, and placed on a table prior to the DEP Inspector's arrival
- It is recommended each MCM be placed in its own binder for a more organized review
- DEP will review the municipality's written plan and use the following checklist:





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MS4 COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT

	OFFICE INSPECTION			
Most Re	cent Annual/Progress Report Due Date:			
Date Mo	st Recent Annual/Progress Report Submitted:			
ist all d	eficiencies identified in the most recent Annual/Progress Report Review.			
Describe	the permittee's progress with addressing deficiencies, if applicable:			
erify th	e presence of the following documentation; check "Yes" if available, "No" if not available, and	"NA" if not	applicable.	
MCM	Item	Yes	No	NA
	Public Education and Outreach Program (PEOP) (written plan)			
1	Lists of target audience groups			
ii.	Published stormwater educational materials			
	Two methods of distributing educational materials in past year			
	Public Involvement and Participation Program (PIPP) (written plan)			
2	Public notice prior to adoption of any ordinance (municipal) or SOP (non-municipal)			
	At least one public meeting in past year			
	Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDD&E) Program (written plan)			
	Outfall inspection and illicit discharge tracking system			
	Complaint tracking system for illicit discharges			
3	Map of all outfalls, receiving waters, stormwater collection system, swales, basins, etc.			
	Stormwater sampling and monitoring records			
	Ordinance (municipal) or SOP (non-municipal) prohibiting non-stormwater discharges			
4	If not relying on PA's program, a written stormwater associated with construction activities program (written plan)			
	If not relying on PA's program, an ordinance (municipal) or SOP (non-municipal) requiring implementation of erosion and sediment control BMPs			
	If not relying on PA's program, written procedures for managing public inquiries of local construction activities			
	If not relying on PA's program, a written post-construction stormwater management plan			
	If not relying on PA's program, a tracking system containing post-construction BMPs			
5	If not relying on PA's program, inspection results of post-construction BMPs			
	An ordinance (municipal) or SOP (non-municipal) to enforce post-construction BMPs			
	An inspection program ensuring stormwater BMPs are properly operated and maintained			
	Inventory of municipal facilities and land uses that contribute to stormwater runoff			
6	Written Operation & Maintenance Plan for municipal facilities addressing housekeeping			
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- Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts
 - BMP No. 1: Develop, Implement and Maintain a Written Public Education and Outreach Program
 - BMP No. 2: List of Target Audiences Need to be specific
 - BMP No. 3 and 4: Distribute Stormwater Educational Materials A Minimum of Three Different Ways
 - Need a flow diagram on what staff is responsible for each element of the Plan



Public Involvement/Participation

- BMP No. 1: Develop and Implement
 Public Involvement Participation Program
 - Who, What, When and Where!
- BMP No. 2: Provide Public Notice for Public Review, Input, and Feedback
 - Who, What, When and Where!
- BMP No. 3: Regularly Solicit Public Involvement from Target Audience Groups (MCM No. 1)
 - How! And Who will do it!







Typical Question asked:

- What is an Outfall?
 - "The Point Where a MS4 Discharges Stormwater to Other Surface Water of this Commonwealth"
 - BMP No. 4: Conduct Outfall Screening
 - Outfall Types
 - Pipe Outfall
 - Catch Basin
 - Curb and Gutter
 - Roadside Ditch
 - Swale
- Where do we test?

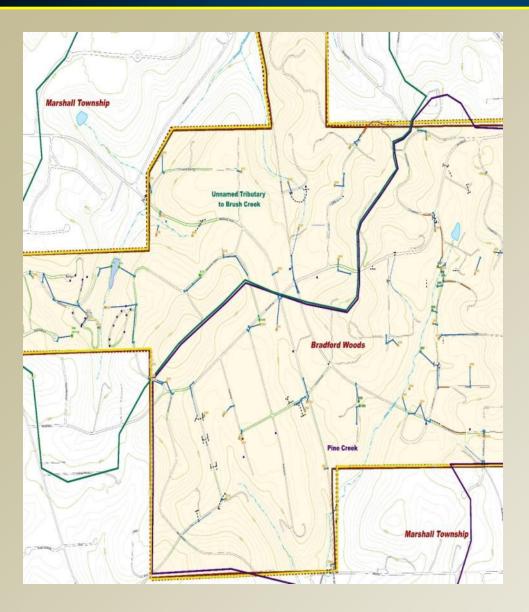


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Outfall Testing

- 20% of outfalls shall be tested each year of the five (5) year permit cycle
- Outfalls are visually inspected
 48 hours after a precipitation
 event
- If dry weather flow is evident, two grab samples must be taken





Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

- BMP No. 1: DevelopWritten Program
- BMP No. 2: Develop and Maintain a Map of Regulated Small MS4 Outfalls
- BMP No. 3: Map of Storm
 Sewer Collection and
 Conveyance Systems
- Follow Up
- Documentation

Follow up - Illicit Discharges

- Identify the source of the illicit discharge
 - Pollutant source can be determined based on the pollutants found during grab sample analysis
- Use storm sewer maps to pinpoint source by inspecting storm sewer structures
- Smoke and dye testing can also be implemented
- Televise sewer system to detect sanitary cross connections or other prohibited discharge connections
- Documentation If it is not documented it did not happen



Once Identified Illicit Discharge Correction -

- Determine if flow is from illegal dumping or improper connections
- Take appropriate action to correct discharge
 - If a violation is found, notify the property owner and set a timeframe for correction of violation.
- Document all measures taken to correct illicit discharge
- Notification of Entity responsible and follow up on if its been done



- Ordinances Has yours been updated?
 - BMP No. 5: Need to Enact a Stormwater Management
 Ordinance
 - BMP No. 6: Need to Provide Educational Material to Target Audiences



- Documentation and Construction Site
 Stormwater Runoff Control
 - BMP No. 1: Develop a Program Containing All Procedures Necessary to Comply
 - BMP No. 2: Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs
 - BMP No. 3: Construction Site Operators to Control Site Waste
 - BMP No. 4: Record Tracking System



- Post-Construction Stormwater Management (PCSM) in New and Re-Development Activities
 - BMP No. 1: Written Program
 - BMP No. 2: Tracking System to Record Qualifying Projects
 - BMP No. 3: Controls to Ensure Minimal Water Quality Impacts
 - BMP No. 4: Enforce an Ordinance to Address PCSM BMPs
 - BMP No. 5: Encourage Low Impact Development (LID)
 - BMP No. 6: Ensure Operation and Maintenance of All PCSM BMPs Installed After March 2003



Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

- BMP No. 1: Maintain a List of All Operations That Could Contribute to Stormwater Runoff
- BMP No. 2: Implement Operation and Maintenance Program
 - Reduce/Eliminating Discharges to Storm Drains
 - Reduce Discharge form Streets, Roads, Highways, Parking Lots, etc.
- Update Standard Operating Procedures for every item of work and Facilities completed by Public Works





- Operation, Maintenance, and Inspection Program
 - Catch Basin/Inlets
 - All Municipal Owned Catch Basins / Inlets Annually
 - Document Inspections, Cleaning, and Repairs
 - Stormwater Detention / Retention Facilities
 - Inspect Annually, Document Inspection and Repair





- Vehicle Maintenance, Fueling, and Washing
 - Municipal Owned Fuel Site
 - Discourage "Topping-Off", Spills Controlled Immediately
 - Vehicle Maintenance
 - Fluids Stored in a Proper Manner
 - Commercial Car Washes for Police and Smaller Vehicles
 - Phosphate-Free Soaps and Detergents
 - Vehicles Washed in Designated Area, Storm Connections Blocked Off Using Inserts and Drain Onto Permeable Area



 BMP 3: Develop and Implement A Training Program for Municipal Staff, Elected Officials, and Emergency Response Personnel







MS4 TRACKING SYSTEM MS4 BINDER

How to get Prepared!

- Build a Binder System and utilize GIS
- Binder Contains: All Items listed in MCM's 1-6
 - All Ordinances and Plans
 - Replace Drafts with Adopted
 - Current Up-To-Date Maps
 - All Edits Turned In To LSSE
 - Testing Results
 - Recommendations for Findings
 - Track/Document the Following:
 - Newsletters/Pamphlets, Public Involvement, Inspections, Complaints, Field Screening, Training, and Qualifying PCSM BMPs
 - GIS System with MS4 Module

WHAT'S NEXT?

- Year 3 Annual Report and Year 5 Annual Report
- TMDL Existing Permit
 - TMDL Strategy with NOI/application "2012"
 - TMDL Design Details due 1 year after permit issuance
 - TMDL Plan required for all pollutants with and "applicable WLA"
 - caused confusion
 - MS4s eligible for PAG-13 or individual permit
 - Address DEP comments
- TMDL Future Permit
 - One TMDL Plan
 - TMDL Plans required only for nutrients and sediment
 - WLA is established for nutrients and/or sediment, and individual permit is required.

TMDL PLANS / PRPS

• Future Permit

 A table has been published on DEP's website to inform MS4s on TMDL and PRP-related requirements for the next permit

MS4 Name	NPDES ID	Individual Permit Required?	Impaired Downstream Waters or Applicable TMDL Name	Requirement(s)	Other Cause(s) of Impairment
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ALEPPO TWP	PAG136348	No			
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
ASPINWALL BORO	PAG136259	No			
			Allegheny River	Appendix C-Chlordane, PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	
AVALON BORO	PAG136151	No			
			Spruce Run	TMDL Plan-Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation (5)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
BALDWIN BORO	PAG136128	Yes			
			Monongahela River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	
			Glass Run	Appendix A-Metals (4a), TMDL Plan-Siltation (5)	
			Lick Run	Appendix A-Metals (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Cause Unknown (5
			Sawmill Run Nutrients	TMDL Plan-DO/BOD, Nutrients, Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation (4a)	
			Sawmill Run AMD and Sediment	Appendix A-Metals, pH (4a)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
			Peters Creek	Appendix A-Metals (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Cause Unknown (5
			Sawmill Run AMD and Sediment	TMDL Plan-Siltation (4a)	
			Streets Run	Appendix A-Metals (4a), TMDL Plan-Siltation (5)	
BALDWIN TWP		No			
			Sawmill Run	Appendix A-Metals (4a), TMDL Plan-DO/BOD, Nutrients, Organic Enrichment/Low D.O. (4a)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
BELL ACRES BORO	PAI136124	No			
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
BELLEVUE BORO	PAG136216	No			
			Spruce Run	TMDL Plan-Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation (5)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
BEN AVON BORO	PAG136292	No			
BENAVONBONO	1 70100202	140	Spruce Run	TMDL Plan-Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation (5)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
BEN AVON HEIGHTS BORO	PAG136237	No		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
DEIN AVOIN NEIGHTS BORO	FAG130231	INO	Spruce Run	TMDL Plan-Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation (5)	
			Ohio River	Appendix C-PCB (4a), Appendix B-Pathogens (5)	Dioxins (5)
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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Existing Permit

 TMDL Plans and Bay PRPs are not required by the existing permit to undergo public participation prior to submission to DEP

Future Permit

 As part of MCM #2, MS4s will need to publicly participate TMDL Plans and PRPs prior to submission to DEP



"PARSING" FOR TMDLS

Existing Permit

Little guidance has been made for parsing WLAs in TMDLs

Future Permit

 DEP has posted parsing guidance in the Draft Model TMDL Plan document (pg. 14) available in the DEP "Municipal Stormwater" page under the subheading "Training"



PERIODIC REPORTING

Existing Permit

 First time permittees and MS4s within the Bay Watershed submit annual reports; all others submit progress reports every other year

Future Permit

 All permittees will submit annual reports; for PAG-13 permittees, the annual report will serve as an ongoing NOI and eliminate need for 5-Year renewal NOIs



MS4 GENERAL PERMITS

- Current General Permit became effective for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on March 16, 2013 and will expire on March 15, 2018
 - All General Permit holders, regardless of whether the renewal for General Permit Coverage Approval has been issued, are covered under the existing General permit
- On March 16, 2018 the next PAG-13 will become effective for all General Permit holders in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- During your inspection for DEP they will indicate when next permit is due – NOI for next permit is Fall 2017



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