



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

City of Asheville Public Works
Stormwater Services
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NPDES Permit No.: NCS000435

Reporting Year: July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

INTRODUCTION

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN OVERVIEW

The North Carolina Division of Water Quality renewed NPDES Phase II Permit NCS000435 to the City of Asheville effective November 10, 2011 – November 10, 2016. The Stormwater Management Plan is the City of Asheville’s program to comply with NPDES Permit NCS000435 authorization to discharge Stormwater from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s) located within the City of Asheville Jurisdictional Area.

The plan is a guidance document used by City staff and the general public.

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION

The City of Asheville is pleased to report progress for year seven compliance with requirements of NPDES Phase II permit in the following six measures in the plan:

- Public Education and Outreach
- Public Participation and Involvement
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- Construction Site Runoff Control
- Post-Construction Runoff Control
- Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations.

On June 8, 2010 the City of Asheville Council approved Stormwater Ordinance No. 3875. (Appendix A)

WATER QUALITY

The City of Asheville is delegated by the state to enforce the Stormwater, Erosion and Sediment Control, and Illicit Discharge regulations within our jurisdictional area. The city has adopted and enforces a stormwater, erosion control and sedimentation and illicit discharge ordinance. (Section 7-12-2 of the Unified Development Ordinance) (Appendix B)

The city reviews and approves all development plans associated with grading, stormwater and erosion control. For projects that are less than 10,000 square feet and greater than 500 square feet, a sketch plan is required. A formal plan is required for projects that are 10,000 square feet or greater. All formal plans are required to be prepared by a qualified registered NC professional engineer or landscape architect.

For projects that disturb less than an acre and have 50 percent or less total impervious area of the developed track and are not part of a larger development are exempt from the stormwater ordinance. For all other project, stormwater controls must be designed by a licensed professional and installed. The city requires 85% removal of Total Suspended Solids and also requires that the post construction discharge not exceed pre-development discharge for the 2 year and 10 year event. Within this ordinance, the city regulates a 30’ undisturbed buffer for construction projects. All project have a buffer unless exempt by ordinance.

The city reviews plans and inspects construction activities inside the city limits. This is included in the City's Unified Development Ordinance which regulates development. The city reviews and approves development land use plans.

The city enforces a steep slope ordinance (Section 7-12-4) which limits total disturbed area based on elevation and slope of the proposed development. The city regulates the special flood hazard areas located within the city's jurisdictional area through our flood ordinance. This ordinance utilizes the latest flood maps and regulates development within this area. (Appendix D)

State Programs: The state regulates projects that disturb over one acre that by state law cannot be regulated by the City of Asheville.

Current FY 13-14 Budget

REVENUES	FY 13-14	COMMENTS
Permit Fees	\$157,789.88	
Permit Violation	\$3,442.00	
Soil Erosion Permits & Inspections	\$54,580.66	All grading, drainage & erosion control
Stormwater Permits & Inspections	\$1,796.00	All Stormwater quality & quantity
Floodplain Permits & Inspections	\$5,750.00	
Delinquent & Interest Fee	\$39,748.49	
Utility Charges	\$2,850,236.49	Stormwater Utility Fees
Investments Income	\$12,339.12	
Fines & Fees Permit Penalties	\$2,775.00	
Sale of Capital Assets	\$18,228.00	
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	\$1,046.30	
Installment Loan Process	\$218,593.00	
TOTAL REVENUES =	\$3,366,324.94	

EXPENSES	FY 13-14	COMMENTS
Salaries & Wages	\$1,174,558.10	Includes 31 full time positions
Fringe Benefits	\$519,493.51	31 positions
Contracted Services	\$2,520.00	
Professional Services	\$116,918.61	
Rental/Lease	\$18,440.33	Copiers & Computers
Services	\$7,398.54	Printing, Advertising & Postage
Maintenance & Operations	\$170,699.85	Training, Dues, Supplies, Materials
Contra NL	\$(23,586.00)	
Insurance & Bonds	\$91,947.00	
Other Expenses	\$45,499.88	Licenses, Tipping Fees, Recovery Collection Fees
Utilities	\$17,541.61	Telephone, Cell Phone & Radio Charges
Fleet Mgmt Charges	\$282,908.71	Maintenance & equipment
Street Cut Utility Charges	\$147,656.87	
Cost Allocations	\$303,168.96	
Machine & Equipment	\$39,027.55	
Principal Payment	\$80,000.00	
Interest	\$14,400.00	
Cost Issue	\$1,072.50	
Transfer to Stormwater Capital	\$555,958.93	
TOTAL EXPENSES =	\$3,565,624.95	

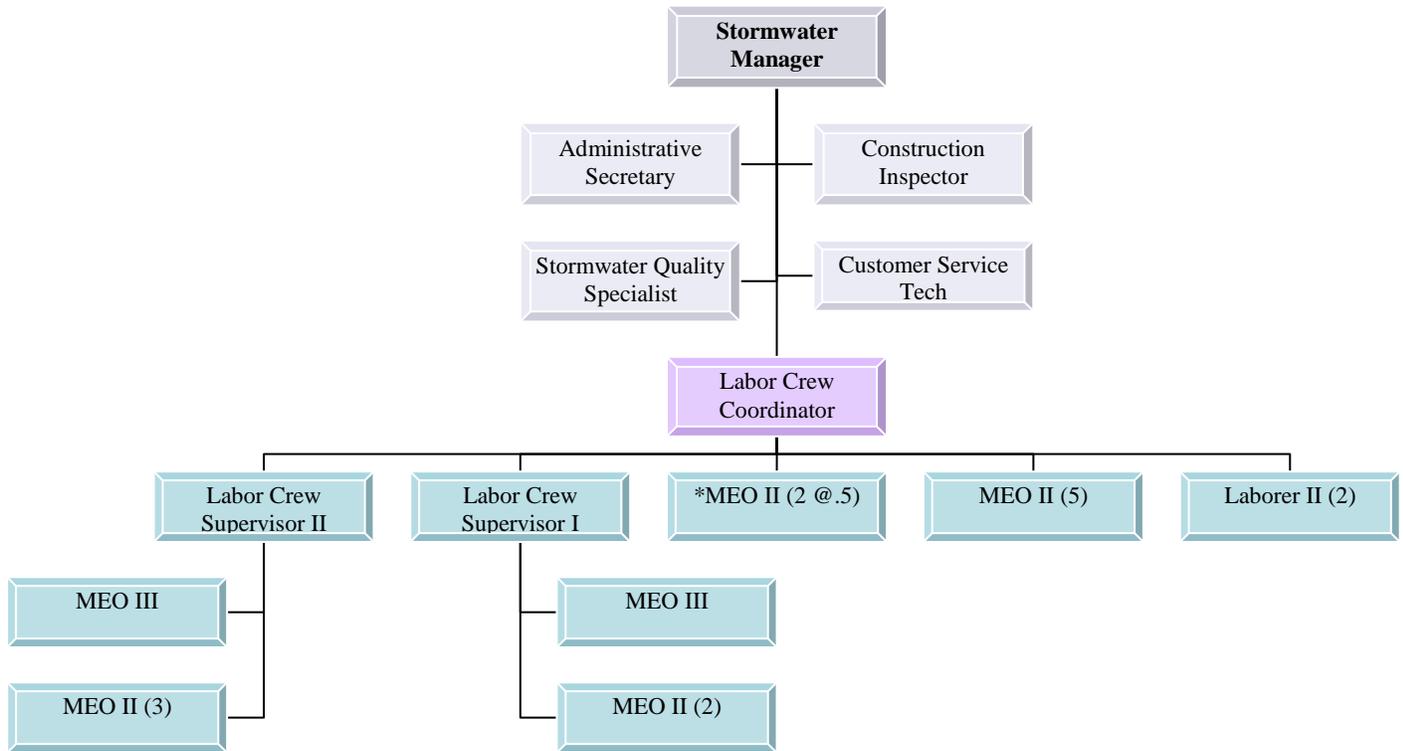
FY 14-15 BUDGET

REVENUES	FY 14-15	COMMENTS
Soil Erosion Permits & Inspections	\$160,000.00	All grading, drainage & erosion control
Stormwater Permits & Inspections	\$15,000.00	All Stormwater quality & quantity
Lic. & Permit Fees	\$17,925.000	
Lic. & Permit Violation	\$300.00	
Floodplain Permits & Inspections	\$12,000.00	

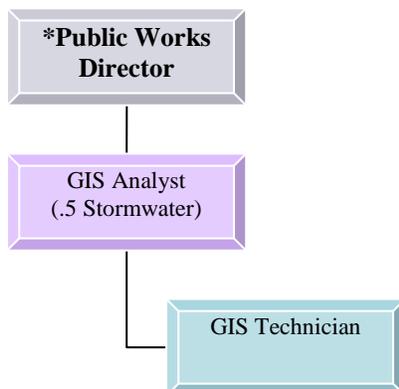
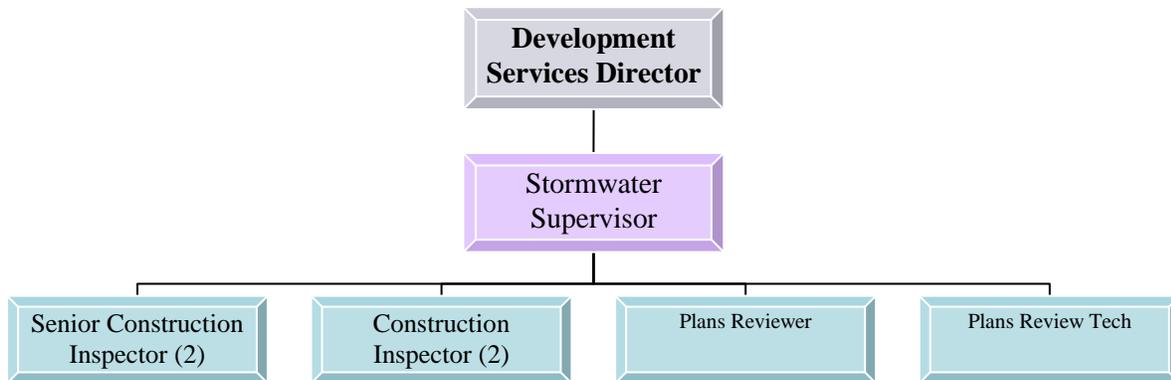
Delinquent & Interest Fee	\$50,000.00	
Utility Charges	\$4,782,372.00	Stormwater Utility Fees
Investments Income	\$11,000.00	
Fines & Fees Permit Penalties	\$5,000.00	
Sale of Capital Assets	\$20,000.00	
Installment Loan Proceeds	\$206,000.00	
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$72,147.00	
Approp Fund Bal for Encumbrance	\$314,609.91	
TOTAL REVENUES =	\$5,648,128.91	

EXPENSES	FY 14-15	COMMENTS
Salaries & Wages	\$1,352,093.00	Includes 32 full time positions
Fringe Benefits	\$525,751.00	30 positions
Contracted Services	\$682,289.00	
Professional Services	\$653,646.08	
Rental/Lease	\$44,897.25	Copiers, Computers & IT Charges
Services	\$28,188.65	Printing, Advertising & Postage
Maintenance & Operations	\$249,583.93	Training, Dues, Supplies, Materials
Other Expenses	\$33,950.00	Licenses, Tipping Fees, Recovery Collection Fees
Street Cut Utility	\$125,000.00	
Utilities	\$19,655.00	Telephone, Cell Phone & Radio Charges
Fleet Mgmt Charges	\$231,837.00	
Mach & Equipment	\$429,593.00	
IT Charges	\$1,264.00	
Overhead Transfer (Cost Allocations)	\$599,778.00	
Principal Payment & Interest	\$91,200.00	
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$502,147.00	
Ins. & Bonds	\$77,256.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES =	\$5,648,128.91	

Organization Chart of the Stormwater Services Division (13/14 FY)



* Performs night sweeping activities



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Pineroft Rd	476 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Brookwood Rd	175 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Spooks Branch Rd	40 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Cherokee Rd	40 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Blake Dr	40 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Azalea Rd	40 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Aurora Dr	60 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Gardenwood Ln	230 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Sunset Dr	60 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Woodland Rd	60 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Ballentree Dr	30 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Crabapple Ln & Gibson Dr	75 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Mayfair Dr	80 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Bassett Rd	30 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Upland Rd. & Valley Ln	140 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Brucemont Circle	15 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Innsbrook Rd	191 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Black Oak Dr	78 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Caribou Rd	70 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Valley Vista Dr	117 lf	drainage pipe upgrade
Brookwood Ct	210 lf	new pipe install
S. Griffing Dr	432 lf	new and upgrade pipe

Total **2,689 lf**

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Yearly Maintenance Activities

The maintenance activities include sinkhole repairs, replace lids, repair catch basins, road shoulder repairs, culvert repairs and ditching:

Cleaned drain work orders	41
Pipe repair work order	3
Ditching and shoulder work order	43
Catch basin repair work order	17
Reset or Replace lid work order	30
Sinkhole repair work order	22
Replace missing grate work order	3
Install spillway work order	1
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Total Work Orders	160

City Sweeping Tonnage	1,245
Sweeping Miles	3,797
Storm Drains Cleaned	9,992
Drain Tops Cleaned	565

Yearly Operations Activities

INSPECTIONS	TOTAL NUMBER
Grading & Erosion Control	3,165
Stormwater	298
Notice of Violations (off site sedimentation, grading w/o permit, buffer violation, etc.)	3
PLAN REVIEWS	TOTAL NUMBER
Received	492
Reviewed	427
Approved	428
Disapproved (Insufficient information)	44
Total Disturbed Acres Permitted	163.222

1. Objectives for Public Education and Outreach

Distribute educational materials to the community or conduct equivalent outreach activities about the impacts of storm water discharges on water bodies and the steps the public can take to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff.

2. BMPs for Public Education and Outreach

The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Public Education and Outreach Program and shall notify the Division prior to modification of any goals.

BMP	Measurable Goals
a. Goals and Objectives	Defined goals and objectives of the Local Public Education and Outreach Program based on community wide issues.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville performs a public education and outreach program currently through local schools and libraries. Currently the program includes providing basic messages regarding clean water and the things people can do at home to help.

We also attend community meetings and discuss what stormwater is and explain ways we are working to better the community by providing a stormwater program.

Staff presents stormwater and flood related projects to various organizations.

Education material is also provided on the City’s website and cable channel.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

The City will continue to search for public education and outreach opportunities.

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Describe target pollutants and/or stressors	The permittee shall maintain a description of the target pollutants and/or stressors and likely sources.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville works with Environmental Quality Institute (EQI) for the testing of six stream site samples within the city. EQI has been developing an on-going water quality database of Western North Carolina watersheds. The purpose of the research is to continue and expand the long-term monitoring of stream sites within Buncombe County. The cost was being shared by the Buncombe County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Metropolitan Sewerage District (MSD) and now the City of Asheville Stormwater Services. The major focus of the monitoring is to identify problem areas as well as areas with high water quality that need to be maintained and to monitor areas where water quality improvement projects will be taking place. (This contract with EQI, offers technical assistance through laboratory analysis of samples and statistical data analysis of monitoring results.)

The overall goal of the proposed research is to assess the present water quality of representative streams and rivers within the City of Asheville. Specific objectives include:

- Analyze water samples from six sites in Asheville for eight chemical parameters monthly, with this contract it brings the total number of sites being tested in Buncombe County to 47;
- Analyze the data statistically for trends between sites (spatial) and trends within sites over time (temporal); and
- Use the results of the analyses to assess the ability of the streams to support their various current, intended, and potential uses.

EQI laboratory analyzes all samples for the following parameters: pH, ammonia-nitrogen, nitrate-nitrogen, orthophosphate, total suspended solids, alkalinity, turbidity, and conductivity.

14-15 Proposed Objectives:

The City will continue the contract with EQI and focus on reducing sediment in streams.

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Describe target audiences	The permittee shall identify, assess annually and update the description of the target audiences likely to have significant storm water impacts and why they were selected.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville target audiences are youth groups and residential property owners. Youth groups were chosen in order to educate them early as they can help educate their parents. Property owners were selected because of the large impact they can have on the storm water in the community.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue our educational outreach to youth groups and property owners.

BMP	Measurable Goals
d. Describe residential and industrial/commercial issues	The permittee shall describe issues, such as pollutants, the likely sources of those pollutants, potential impacts, and the physical attributes of stormwater runoff, in their education/outreach program.

13-14 Accomplishment

The city’s education/outreach program for property owners has focused on the following pollutants:

- Car washing
- Pet waste
- Use of lawn and garden products

These pollutants were selected because they can harm fish and wildlife population, foul drinking water supplies, kill native vegetation, and make recreational areas unsafe.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to educate youth groups and property owners on the dangers of these pollutants.

BMP	Measurable Goals
e. Informational Web Site	The permittee shall promote and maintain an internet web site designed to convey the program's message.

13-14 Accomplishment

Stormwater Services continues to maintain an educational stormwater website:

<http://www.ashevillenc.gov/Departments/StormwaterServicesUtility.aspx>, and a City related blog. The website provides information about the program and also the importance of clean water to the citizens of Asheville. It provides links that show the location of the Stormwater outfalls. This information can be found on our MapAsheville GIS website. Contact information is provided on the website along with the City's hot line number.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain and update our current website with Stormwater projects and activities.

BMP	Measurable Goals
f. Distribute public education materials to identified target audiences and user groups.	The permittee shall distribute stormwater educational material to appropriate target groups. Instead of developing its own materials, the permittee may rely on Public Education and Outreach materials supplied by the state, and/or other entities through a cooperative agreement, as available, when implementing its own program.

13-14 Accomplishment

Stormwater Services participated in the City of Asheville Bele Chere Festival. We distributed brochures that included the following:

- Dumping & illicit discharge;
- What stormwater runoff is;
- Benefits of minimizing stormwater pollution;
- Best Management Practices;
- Flood Safety; and
- Pet Waste

Stormwater Services Manager did a presentation at a CREIA meeting. Presentation was also handed out to participate and included:

- What is Stormwater;
- What is the NPDES Phase II Permit;
- Stormwater Utility Fee; and
- Services provided by the city

We partnered with RiverLink for a Craven Street Community Meeting. Pamphlets were handed out that included:

- Stormwater Management;
- Information on Rain Gardens, bioretention areas, wetlands,
- Determining Stream Health
- Nonpoint source (NPS) pollution; and

- Ways to improve water quality in communities

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Mail Stormwater brochures in utility bills.

BMP	Measurable Goals
g. Maintain Hotline/Help line	The permittee shall promote and maintain a stormwater hotline/helpline for the purpose of public education and outreach.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City provides a customer service line 828-251-1122 for citizens to report illicit discharge and accidental discharge after normal business hours and weekends. The city maintains a helpline 828-232-4567 during normal business hours for citizens to call with questions or report illicit discharge. Both these numbers are promoted on brochures mailed to citizens and on the city website.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain and promote the hotline/help line.

BMP	Measurable Goals
h. Implement a Public Education and Outreach Program	The permittee’s outreach program, including those elements implemented locally or through a cooperative agreement, shall include a combination of approaches designed to reaching the target audiences. For each media, event or activity, including those elements implemented locally or through a cooperative agreement the permittee shall estimate and record the extent of exposure.

13-14 Accomplishment

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Estimated Number of Exposure</u>
Lessons w/EnviroScape	105
Water Education Tours	479
Project Wet Workshop	14
Bele Chere	1,500
CREIA Meeting	60
RiverLink Community Meeting	60
Website	6,748
Beverly Hills Meeting	60
City Council Presentation	30

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to:

- Search for public education and outreach opportunities

- Maintain and update website
- Mail informational brochures in utility bills

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND PARTICIPATION

1. Objectives for Public Involvement and Participation

Comply with State and local public notice requirements when implementing a public involvement and participation program.

2. BMPs for Public Involvement and Participation

The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Public Involvement and Participation Program and shall notify the Division prior to modification of any goals.

BMP	Measurable Goals
a. Volunteer community involvement program	The permittee shall include and promote volunteer opportunities designed to promote ongoing citizen participation.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville partners with Asheville Greenworks to provide Adopt-a-Street Program. Groups and organizations are encouraged to help reduce litter by participating in Asheville’s Adopt-A-Street program. Participants agree to pickup litter from their adopted street at least six times per year. Greenworks provides groups with bags, vests, gloves, and pick-up sticks. The City of Asheville provides garbage pickup and signs on the street to recognize the litter reduction efforts.

The City of Asheville partners with RiverLink to provide Adopt-a-Stream program. This is a hands-on way for local residents and businesses to get actively involved in improving the water quality of the French Broad River Watershed. This very flexible program gives the tools and knowledge to make a difference in our watershed by cleaning up local streams. Participants are required a minimum of two cleanups per year and report any water related issues/problems to RiverLink. The City of Asheville provides garbage pickup and installation of signs on the streams to recognize the litter reduction efforts. This year five streams were added for a total of 40 active stream cleanup teams.

Stormwater Manager attended CAN and CIBO meetings to discuss stormwater.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

The City will continue to look for partnerships opportunities to perform various stormwater activities.

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Mechanism for Public involvement	The permittee shall provide and promote a mechanism for public involvement that provides for input on stormwater issues and the stormwater program.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City provides a stormwater e-mail (stormwater@ashevillenc.gov) and phone number (828-232-4567) in which the public can provide input and report on stormwater issues.

Personnel from the City’s stormwater division meet often with individual citizens to discuss their specific concerns or questions related to stormwater.

The City provides the Asheville app for citizens to report issues or concerns.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to provide a stormwater e-mail and phone number for the public to provide input and report any stormwater issues.

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Hotline/Help line	The permittee shall promote and maintain a hotline/helpline for the purpose of public involvement and participation.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City provides a customer service line 828-251-1122 for citizens to report illicit discharge and accidental discharge after normal business hours and weekends. The city maintains a helpline 828-232-4567 during normal business hours for citizens to call with questions or report illicit discharge. Both these numbers are promoted on brochures mailed to citizens and on the city website.

We also have the Asheville App where citizens can report problems or concerns.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain and promote the hotline/help line.

1. Objectives for Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

- a. Implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges into the MS4;
- b. Maintain a storm sewer system map, showing the location of major outfalls and the names and location of waters of the United States that receive discharges from those outfalls;
- c. Prohibit, through ordinance, or other regulatory mechanism, non-storm water discharges except as allowed in this permit and implement appropriate enforcement procedures and actions;
- d. Implement a plan to detect and address non-storm water discharges, including illegal dumping to the MS4;
- e. Inform public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste; and
- f. Address the following categories of non-storm water discharges or flows (i.e., illicit discharges) only if you identify them as significant contributors of pollutants to the MS4: waterline flushing, landscape irrigation, diverted stream flows, rising ground waters, uncontaminated ground water infiltration, uncontaminated pumped ground water, discharges from potable water sources, foundation drains, air conditioning condensation, irrigation water, springs, water from crawl space pumps, footing drains, lawn watering, individual residential car washing, flows from riparian habitats and wetlands, dechlorinated swimming pool discharges, and street wash water (discharges or flows from fire fighting activities are excluded from the effective prohibition against non-storm water and need only be addressed where they are identified as significant sources of pollutants to waters of the United States).

2. BMPs for Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program and shall notify the Division prior to modification of any goals. The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program and shall notify the division prior to modification of any goal.

BMP	Measurable Goals
a. Maintain adequate legal authorities	The permittee shall annually review the permittee’s IDDE ordinances or other regulatory mechanisms, or adopt any new ordinances or other regulatory mechanisms that provide the permittee with adequate legal authority to prohibit illicit connections and discharges and enforce the approved IDDE Program.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville Council approved and adopted Ordinance 3875 on June 8, 2010. Section 1 (k) regulates illicit discharge (Appendix A). The city had a previous Ordinance 3520 adopted on August 21, 2007 that addressed illicit discharge, stormwater and erosion control.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to follow ordinance.

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Maintain a Storm Sewer System Base Map of Major Outfalls	The permittee shall maintain a current map showing major outfalls and receiving streams.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City maintains and updates maps of the stormwater system throughout the city in both ArcGIS and in MapAsheville, both of which are GIS based systems. The general public has access to Map Asheville through the City’s website. These maps are updated periodically to show the new storm drainage systems that have been installed. Both of these mapping systems show the locations of streams, rivers, ponds and lakes that may be affected by any stormwater that may enter them.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain and update maps of the Stormwater system in both ArcGIS and in MapAsheville.

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Detect dry weather flows	The permittee shall develop and implement a program for conducting dry weather flow field observations in accordance with a written procedure for detecting and removing the sources of illicit discharges.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville construction inspectors perform routine inspections of all grading, erosion control and stormwater projects currently under construction. These inspectors are assigned a specific area within the City in which they are familiar with the stormwater systems. Also, the stormwater maintenance and operation staff performs routine inspections and maintenance of the publicly maintained storm drain systems throughout the City.

In the event that they discover a suspected illicit discharge, or a resident of the city reports a questionable discharge, City staff is notified and visit the site and take photos. In the event that the City is unable to identify the discharge, the NC Division of Water Quality is contacted for testing purposes. Assuming there is evidence of an illicit discharge, the owner is notified in person (if possible) and by certified letter about what has been found, the amount of time to cure and ramifications should they choose not to comply in accordance with section 7-12-2 of the UDO which covers civil penalties.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Construction inspectors will continue to perform routine inspections. Also the maintenance and operations staff will perform routine inspections and maintenance of the storm drain systems.

BMP	Measurable Goals
d. Investigations into the sources of all identified illicit discharges.	The permittee shall maintain and evaluate annually written procedures for conducting investigations of identified illicit discharges.

13-14 Accomplishment

City of Asheville has staff that responds to illicit discharge concerns which includes identifying the source and working with the property owner to resolve the issue.

Provide residents with a 24/7 on call number to report illicit discharge, off-site sedimentation and other related issues.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to perform these duties.

BMP	Measurable Goals
e. Track investigations and document illicit discharges	The permittee shall track all investigations and document the date(s) the illicit discharge was observed; the results of the investigation; any follow-up of the investigation; and the date the investigation was closed.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City investigates all illicit discharge complaints. All complaints are documented with pictures and the date the investigation was closed, as well as any follow up needed.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to track all illicit discharge complaints.

BMP	Measurable Goals
f. Employee Training	The permittee shall implement and document a training program for appropriate municipal staff, which, as part of their normal job responsibilities, may come into contact with or otherwise observe an illicit discharge or illicit connection to the storm sewer system.

13-14 Accomplishment

Conducted Municipal Storm Water Pollution Prevention training to the Asheville Fire Department (152 employees).

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Hold training for other department within the organization that may come into contact with or otherwise observe an illicit discharge to the storm sewer system.

BMP	Measurable Goals
g. Provide Public Education	The permittee shall inform public employees, businesses,

	and the general public of hazards associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste.
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13-14 Accomplishment

Educational brochures were handed out to the general public at the Bele Chere festival.

During water education tours at our water treatment plants school age kids are informed of the hazards associated with illegal dumping.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Include educational brochures in the combined utilities bills sent to businesses and the general public. The brochures will include information associated with illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste.

BMP	Measurable Goals
h. Public reporting mechanism	The permittee shall promote, publicize, and facilitate a reporting mechanism for the public and staff to report illicit discharges and establish and implement citizen request response procedures.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City has a 24 hour telephone number in which a staff member is on call to respond to issues related to illicit discharge, off-site sedimentation and other related issues. This telephone number is located on the City of Asheville's website and on educational brochures mailed annually to the public.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to provide a 24 hour telephone number to report issues related to illicit discharge, off-site sedimentation and other related issues.

BMP	Measurable Goals
i. Enforcement	The permittee shall implement a mechanism to track the issuance of notices of violation and enforcement actions administered by the permittee. This mechanism shall include the ability to identify chronic violators for initiation of actions to reduce noncompliance.

13-14 Accomplishment

City of Asheville Stormwater Ordinance No. 3875 allows the enforcement of notices of violations for illicit discharge. All NOV's are logged into our database, a hard copy of all correspondence are kept in a file located in the inspections office.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to enforce city ordinance.

CONSTRUCTION SITE RUNOFF CONTROLS

1. The permittee has a delegated Sediment and Erosion Control Program. As such, the permittee is responsible for compliance with the Sediment Pollution Control Act of 1973 and Chapter 4 of Title 15A of the North Carolina Administrative Code. The delegated Sediment and Erosion Control Program effectively meets the maximum extent practicable (MEP) standard for Construction Site Runoff Controls by permitting and controlling development activities disturbing one or more acres of land surface and those activities less than one acre that are part of a larger common plan of development as authorized under the Sediment Pollution Control Act of 1973 and Chapter 4 of Title 15A of the North Carolina Administrative Code.

13-14 Accomplishment

Stormwater employees enforce Ordinance 3875 adopted on June 8, 2010 by the Asheville City Council and previous Ordinance 3520 adopted on August 21, 2007 which consisted of erosion control, illicit discharge and stormwater. City of Asheville UDO Section 7-12-2 provides mechanisms for plan review, construction site inspections and enforcement

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to enforce the City of Asheville UDO.

2. The NCG010000 permit, as administered by the State, establishes requirements for construction site operators to control waste such as discarded building materials, concrete truck washout, chemicals, litter, and sanitary waste at the construction site that may cause adverse impacts to water quality.

13-14 Accomplishment

Regulatory Mechanism

The City of Asheville, Unified Development Ordinance, Section 7-12-2, includes requirements for an approved Grading Permit for all land disturbance activity 500 feet or greater. Exemptions to erosion control are allowed, in accordance with the Sediment and Erosion Control Act.

The City of Asheville Unified Development Ordinance, Section 7-12-2, in conjunction with the City of Asheville Standard Specifications and Details Manual requires implementation of appropriate erosion and sediment control Best Management Practices (BMP's) based on plans which are approved by City staff as part of the Grading Permit review process.

Section 7-12-2 (k)(3) of the City of Asheville UDO prohibits illicit discharges and improper disposal into the stormwater system as follows:

7-12-2(k)(3) Illicit discharge: It is unlawful for any person to throw, drain, run or otherwise discharge to any component of the City's MS4 or to the waters of the State of North Carolina or to cause, permit or allow to suffer to be thrown, drained, run, or allowed to seep or otherwise discharge into such system or receiving water all matter of any nature excepting only such storm or surface water as herein authorized.

Control and disposal of discarded building materials and litter are regulated under

Chapter 15 of the City of Asheville Unified Development Ordinance. This Section requires that all waste be placed in receptacles that are made readily accessible to City collection crews or private collection agencies.

Section 15-43 requires the control of all construction and demolition refuse as follows:

Sec. 15-43. Construction and demolition sites.

All construction and demolition contractors shall provide onsite refuse receptacles, bulk containers or detachable containers for loose debris, paper, waste building materials, scrap building materials and other trash produced by those working on the site. All such materials shall be containerized by the end of each workday, and the site shall be kept in a reasonably clean and litter-free condition. The number and type of refuse receptacles, bulk containers or detachable containers shall be determined by the solid waste manager based on the size of the project. Dirt, mud, construction materials or other debris deposited upon any public or private property as a result of construction or demolition activities shall be immediately removed by the contractor and in all cases by the end of the workday.

Per Section 15-45 (h) of the City of Asheville UDO, a Certificate of Occupancy may not be issued until all construction or demolition refuse has been removed from the site.

Section 15-45 (h) (4) Building materials. The city shall not be responsible for the collecting, handling or disposal of building materials that originate from private property preliminary to, during or subsequent to the construction of new buildings or from demolition of existing structures. Such materials or refuse shall be collected and disposed of by the property owner or the person doing the work. If such material or refuse has not been removed and disposed of by the property owner or the person doing the work, the building inspections division shall not issue a certificate of occupancy even though other requirements for such certificate have been met. The certificate of occupancy shall be issued only when the requirements of this subsection, as well as any other requirements, have been met.

Disposal of hazardous waste and concrete washout is prohibited in tree protection areas under Section 7-11-3 (c) (2) c.

Section 7-11-3 (c) (2) c. Prohibited activities. All contractors must be made aware of the areas designated for protection. No disturbance can occur within the tree protection area including:

- Grading*
- Filling*
- Parking*
- Storage of debris or materials, including topsoil*
- Sedimentation and erosion control measures*
- Disposal of hazardous wastes or concrete washout*
- Attaching of nails, ropes, cables, signs, or fencing to any preserved tree.*

d. Permissible encroachments. Where physical site constraints exist, utilities may encroach into the tree protection area provided they are tunneled at least two feet directly below the tree roots to minimize root damage. A construction detail shall be required.

Other encroachments various in nature may be permitted provided that the contractor follows-through on the written recommendation of a certified arborist or consulting arborist to minimize any potential impact and certify that the activity will not damage the tree under normal circumstances.

- e. Silt fencing. If silt fencing is required to control sedimentation, the fencing must be placed along the uphill edge of a tree protection zone in order to prevent sediment from accumulating in the critical root zone area (refer to the City of Asheville's Standards and Specifications Manual for details).*

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to enforce the City of Asheville UDO.

- 3. The permittee shall provide and promote a means for the public to notify the appropriate authorities of observed erosion and sedimentation problems. The permittee may implement a plan promoting the existence of the NCDENR, Division of Land Resources “Stop Mud” hotline to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

13-14 Accomplishment

We provide a main Stormwater line 828-232-4567 during normal business hours Monday – Thursday 7:30 am – 5:30 pm. After hours, weekends and holidays we provide a customer service number (828) 251-1122. We also provide a stormwater e-mail stormwater@ashevillenc.gov where the public can also report erosion and sedimentation problems. All of these are promoted on our website, City channel & brochures.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to provide these resources for the public.

POST-CONSTRUCTION SITE RUNOFF CONTROLS

1. Objectives for Post-Construction Site Runoff Controls

- a. Implement and enforce a program to address storm water runoff from new development and redevelopment projects, including public transportation maintained by the permittee, that disturb greater than or equal to one acre, including projects less than one acre that are part of a larger common plan of development or sale, that discharge into the small MS4. The program shall ensure that controls are in place that would prevent or minimize water quality impacts. The program shall apply to private development sites and sites developed by the permittee, including public transportation maintained by the permittee.
- b. Implement strategies which include a combination of structural and/or non-structural best management practices (BMPs) appropriate for the community.
- c. Use an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism to address post-construction runoff from new development and redevelopment projects.
- d. Ensure adequate long-term operation and maintenance of BMPs.

2. BMPs for Post-Construction Site Runoff Controls

The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Post-Construction Stormwater Management Program. To the extent there is any conflict between this permit and the post-construction ordinances adopted by the permittee as approved by the N.C. Division of Water Quality, the post-construction ordinances shall apply with regard to permit compliance.

BMP	Measurable Goals
<p>a. Adequate legal authorities</p>	<p>Maintain through an ordinance, or other regulatory mechanism, adequate legal authorities to meet the objectives of the Post-Construction Site Runoff Controls Stormwater Management program.</p> <p>The permittee shall have the authority to review designs and proposals for new development and redevelopment to determine whether adequate stormwater control measures will be installed, implemented, and maintained.</p> <p>The permittee shall have the authority to request information such as stormwater plans, inspection reports, monitoring results, and other information deemed necessary to evaluate compliance with the Post-Construction Stormwater Management Program.</p> <p>The permittee shall have the authority to enter private property for the purpose of inspecting at reasonable times any facilities, equipment, practices, or operations related to stormwater discharges to determine whether there is compliance the Post Construction Stormwater Management Program.</p>

13-14 Accomplishment

The primary regulatory mechanism for the City of Asheville is the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). Specifically Section 7-12-2 deals with stormwater, soil erosion and sedimentation control and illicit discharges and connections.

Section 7-12-2(f)(1) calls for all development and redevelopment to which this subsection applies shall comply with the standards herein. The design of facilities to comply with these standards shall be based on procedures contained in DWQ's Stormwater BMP Manual or as approved by the Stormwater Administrator guided by the spirit, purpose and intent of this section.

Section 7-12-2 (f)(1)(b) calls to provide extended detention for the difference between the pre-development and post development volume of the 2-year-24 hour SCS Type II design storm. The increase in runoff volume must be detained between 24-hours to 72-hours. Provided that the Stormwater Administrator may require volume control for the difference between the pre-development and post development volume of the 25-year 24 hour storm if by using existing watershed master plan analysis it is found that additional volume reduction is required to protect downstream properties, natural and built drainage facilities due to the additional run-off volumes from the 25-year 24 hour storm event

Section 7-12-2 (f)(2)(a) calls for the run-off from the first one inch of rain to be detained between 48 and 120 hours. Section 7-12-2(f)(2)(b) calls for all structural stormwater systems to have a minimum 85% average annual removal for Total Suspended Solids (TSS). Devices listed in the North Carolina Division of Water Quality Stormwater as achieving 85% TSS removal are accepted as well as proprietary devices on a case-by-case basis. The proprietary devices must have site specific supporting data that demonstrates that they will achieve the desired performance with the specific soil types of the proposed site and the anticipated flows.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to operate our program.

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Strategies which include BMPs appropriate for the MS4	The permittee shall adopt the DWQ BMP Design Manual or certify that the local BMP Design Manual meets or exceeds the requirements in the DWQ BMP Design Manual.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville requires that all projects that involve a stormwater BMP have an Operation and Maintenance Agreement filed with the city and recorded in the Buncombe County Register of Deeds office before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued. The agreement binds the owner and any future owners. The agreement requires the owner to maintain, repair and if necessary, reconstruct the structural BMP. It shall also grant the city a right of entry in the event that the Stormwater Administrator has reason to believe that it has become necessary to inspect, monitor, maintain, repair or reconstruct the structural BMP. The agreement shall state that if the Stormwater Administrator has deemed an order directing the correction, repair, replacement or maintenance of the facility has not been satisfactorily complied with within a reasonable period of time the city may, after notice to the owner enter the land and perform any necessary work to place the facility in proper working condition. The cost can be recouped by placing a lien on the property or charging 150% of the cost for labor and materials.

In addition to the post-construction requirements, all private projects that involve the installation

of a stormwater BMP must have a private inspection contract between the financially responsible person and an individual of equivalent licensure of the designer or certified specialist for bi-weekly inspections of the installation of the BMP. The grading and stormwater permit cannot be issued until this contract has been provided to the city.

The City of Asheville enforces a 30 feet wide undisturbed aquatic buffer along all jurisdictional perennial or intermittent streams (7-12-2(f)(3)). The city does not currently have any designated trout streams within our jurisdiction. Also, the city does not issue permits for any work in conjunction with jurisdictional streams or wetlands without permits being issued by DWQ or the Army Corps of Engineers.

Section 7-11-4 of the UDO established the requirements for green space reservation in both residential and non-residential developments in the city’s jurisdiction. For single family and duplex subdivisions with lot size of one acre or more a minimum of 20% of the subdivision lot area is to be reserved as open space. In other residential areas 500 square feet of open space per unit or 15% of the lot area, whichever is greater, is to be reserved. Non-residential uses (schools, churches) must reserve a minimum of 20% of lot area. For all non-residential areas excluding the Central Business District 5 to 15% of the lot area is to be reserved.

The City of Asheville’s Public Works Department operates two vacuum trucks that clean out storm drainage pipes and structures. The city operates these trucks on a cycle and inspects and cleans areas on a periodic basis. The city also operates 3 sweepers to assist with preventing any material from entering into the storm drainage system. The City’s of Asheville’s Public Works staff will also responds to complaints on storm drains and other drainage structures as needed.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to require that all projects that involve a stormwater BMP have an Operation and Maintenance Agreement filed with the city and recorded in the Buncombe County Register of Deeds office before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued.

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Plan reviews	The permittee shall conduct site plan reviews of all new development and redeveloped sites that disturb greater than or equal to one acre (including sites that disturb less than one acre that are part of a larger common plan of development or sale). The site plan review shall address how the project applicant meets the performance standards and how the project will ensure long-term maintenance.

13-14 Accomplishment

UDO Section 7-12-2 provides the mechanism for the City of Asheville to review plans.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to enforce the UDO.

BMP	Measurable Goals
d. Inventory of projects with post-construction structural	The permittee shall maintain an inventory of projects with post-construction structural stormwater control measures

stormwater control measures	installed and implemented at new development and redeveloped sites, including both public and private sector sites located within the permittee's corporate limits that are covered by its post-construction ordinance requirements.
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13-14 Accomplishment

Every BMP constructed within the City of Asheville is required to have an Operation and Maintenance Agreement written that describes the location of the structure, lists the owner, describes the structure proper, and describes the function and required maintenance. The owner of the BMP is required to have the structure inspected by a licensed professional every year and provide the results of the inspection to the City of Asheville's Construction Coordinator.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue this requirement.

Staff conduct random inspections of BMP's within the city.

BMP	Measurable Goals
e. Deed Restrictions and Protective Covenants or Recorded Operation and Maintenance Agreements	The permittee provide mechanisms such as recorded deed restrictions and protective covenants or recorded operation and maintenance agreements that ensure development activities will maintain the project consistent with approved plans.

13-14 Accomplishment

The Operation and Maintenance Agreement is recorded with the Buncombe County Register of Deeds. The City also maintains a hard copy of the agreement and an electronic listing of each BMP which includes the location, owner and a running list of the dates of inspections.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to require a recorded BMP.

BMP	Measurable Goals
f. Provide a mechanism to require long-term operation and maintenance of structural BMPs	The permittee shall implement or require an operation and maintenance plan for the long-term operation of the structural BMPs required by the program. The operation and maintenance plan shall require the owner of each structural BMP to perform and maintain a record of annual inspections of each structural BMP. Annual inspection of permitted structural BMPs shall be performed by a qualified professional.

13-14 Accomplishments

City of Asheville's ordinance requires that an annual inspection of permitted structural BMPs shall be performed by a qualified professional and a copy sent to the city.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to enforce ordinance.

BMP	Measurable Goals
g. Inspections	To ensure that all stormwater control measures are being maintained pursuant to its maintenance agreement, the permittee shall conduct and document inspections of each project site covered under performance standards, at least one time during the permit term. Before issuing a certificate of occupancy or temporary certificate of occupancy, the permittee shall conduct a post-construction inspection to verify that the permittee's performance standards have been met or a bond is in place to guarantee completion. The permittee shall document and maintain records of inspection findings and enforcement actions and make them available for review by the permitting authority.

13-14 Accomplishments

To ensure that all stormwater control measures are being maintained pursuant to maintenance agreements, the City of Asheville conduct and inspect each project site covered under performance standards, at least one time during the permit term. Before issuing certificate of occupancy or temporary certificate of occupancy a post-construction inspection is performed.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue the inspections process.

BMP	Measurable Goals
h. Educational materials and training for developers	The permittee shall make available through paper or electronic means, ordinances, post-construction requirements, design standards checklist, and other materials appropriate for developers. New materials may be developed by the permittee, or the permittee may use materials adopted from other programs and adapted to the permittee's new development and redevelopment program.

13-14 Accomplishments

Ordinances, post-construction requirements, design standards checklist, and other materials appropriate for developers are available electronically on our website (www.ashevillenc.gov). All close out documents are given to developers during the pre-con meetings and are available upon request.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain website and provide documents to developers during the pre-con meetings.

BMP	Measurable Goals
i. Enforcement	The permittee shall track the issuance of notices of violation and enforcement actions. This mechanism shall include the ability to identify chronic violators for initiation of actions to reduce noncompliance.

13-14 Accomplishments

A file is created for all notices of violation that contains all information pertinent to the project including owner information, contractor information, project address, any permit numbers attached to the project, a copy of the written notice of violation and any photos that were taken. A digital file is also created which includes all of the aforementioned information. The digital files are broken down by year. Every time a new violation is discovered, the inspector reviews the digital files containing previous notices of violation to discover if a pattern of repeat violations is beginning to occur with a particular contractor or owner prior to the new notice of violation being written.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to track the issuance of notices of violation and enforcement actions.

3. Post-construction Stormwater Runoff Controls for New Development

- a. In order to fulfill the post-construction minimum measure program requirement the permittee may use the Department's model ordinance, design its own post-construction practices that meet or exceed the Department's Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual on scientific and engineering standards, or develop its own comprehensive watershed plan that is determined by the Department to meet the post-construction stormwater management measure required by 40 Code of Federal Regulations § 122.34(b)(5) (1 July 2003 Edition).
- b. Approval of the post-construction site runoff control for new development projects to be built within the permittee's corporate limits by entities with eminent domain authority, shall be referred to the Division of Water Quality.

The permittee shall meet the requirements of the post-construction program for construction projects that are performed by, or under contract for, the permittee. To meet this requirement, the permittee may either develop the necessary requirements for post-construction controls that will pertain to their own projects, or develop procedures to ensure that the permittee meets these requirements by complying with another entity's Phase II Stormwater Management Programs for post-construction. If the permittee decides to rely on another program for compliance with these program areas for their own projects, they shall indicate in their Stormwater Management Program that the permittee will fully comply with the requirements of the second party's post-construction programs.

- c. Adoption of the Universal Stormwater Management Program (USMP) meets the requirement to develop and implement a Post-Construction Program by the local government adopting an ordinance that complies with the requirements of 15A NCAC02H.1020 and the requirements of 15A NCAC 02B.0104(f). Adoption of the USMP may not satisfy water quality requirements associated with the protection of threatened or endangered species or those requirements associated with the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).
- d. Compliance with the stormwater management and water quality protection required by Session Law 2006-246, effectively meets the Post-construction Stormwater Runoff control requirements within the non Coastal Counties.

POLLUTION PREVENTION AND GOOD HOUSEKEEPING FOR MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS

1. Objectives for Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

- a. Implement an operation and maintenance program that includes a training component and has the ultimate goal of preventing or reducing pollutant runoff from municipal operations.
- b. Provide employee training to prevent and reduce storm water pollution from activities such as park and open space maintenance, fleet and building maintenance, new construction and land disturbances, and storm water system maintenance.

2. BMPs for the Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

The permittee shall implement the following BMPs to meet the objectives of the Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping Program and shall notify the Division prior to modification of any goals.

BMP	Measurable Goals
a. Inventory of municipally owned or operated facilities	The permittee shall maintain current inventory of facilities and operations owned and operated by the permittee with the potential for generating polluted stormwater runoff.

13-14 Accomplishment

The Real Estate Manager with the City of Asheville maintains a current inventory of facilities and operations owned and operated by the City.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to work with the Real Estate Manager to maintain a current inventory of facilities.

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) for municipally owned or operated facilities	The permittee shall maintain and implement, evaluate annually and update as necessary an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) program for municipal owned and operated facilities with the potential for generating polluted stormwater runoff. The O&M program shall specify the frequency of inspections and routine maintenance requirements.

13-14 Accomplishment

Stormwater staff continuing to work with each individual department within the City of Asheville organization to formalize and implement an Operation and Maintenance program for each department. The O&M will specify the frequency of inspections and routine maintenance requirements.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Finalize the O&M program for each City of Asheville department.

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Spill Response Procedures for municipally owned or operated facilities	The permittee shall have written spill response procedures for municipal operations.

13-14 Accomplishment

As part of the O&M program for each City department, a written spill response procedure will be included.

Spill kits and Good Housekeeping Posters have been placed at the Public Works Department vehicle yard. Small spill kits were also placed in all supervisors vehicles for the department.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Finalize the O&M program for each department which will include a written spill response procedure.

BMP	Measurable Goals
d. Streets, roads, and public parking lots maintenance	The permittee shall evaluate BMPs to reduce polluted stormwater runoff from municipally-owned streets, roads, and public parking lots within their corporate limits. Within 12 months, the permittee must update its Stormwater Plan to include the BMPs selected.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City of Asheville reduced polluted stormwater runoff from streets, roads and public parking lots within our corporate limits by street sweeping and the use of vacuum trucks. During this fiscal year we sweep approximately 3,797 miles of curb and gutter, our target is three to four times per year.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue our street sweeping program.

BMP	Measurable Goals
e. Streets, roads, and public parking lots maintenance	Within 24 months, the permute must implement BMPs selected to reduce polluted stormwater runoff from municipally-owned streets, roads, and public parking lots. The permittee must evaluate the effectiveness of these BMPs based on cost and the estimated quantity of pollutants removed.

13-14 Accomplishments

The City’s street sweeping program removed 1,245 tons of material that had the potential to enter the stormwater system.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue our street sweeping program.

BMP	Measurable Goals
f. Operation and Maintenance (O&M) for municipally – owned or maintained catch basins and conveyance systems	Within 12 months, the permittee shall develop, and implement, an O&M program for the stormwater sewer system including catch basins and conveyance systems that it owns and maintains.

13-14 Accomplishments

The City of Asheville’s maintenance program consists of leaf and garbage pickup, yard waste and brush removal, street sweeping, and storm-drain cleaning and maintenance within the city's rights of way.

The City of Asheville's Public Works Department stormwater division currently maintains 18 full time equivalent positions for operations.

The City of Asheville's Public Works Stormwater staff periodically cleans and inspects all catch basins in our maintained system. The Public Works Department upgrades or rehabilitates existing structures when warranted. Staff also street sweeps approximately 3,797 miles of curb on an annual basis, our target is 3-4 times per year.

Through this operation the city removed 1,245 tons of material that had the potential to enter the Stormwater system.

The City of Asheville’s Public Works Department operates two vacuum trucks that clean out storm drainage pipes and structures. The city operates these trucks on a cycle and inspects and cleans areas on a periodic basis. The city also operates 3 sweepers to assist with preventing any material from entering into the storm drainage system. The City’s of Asheville’s Public Works staff also responds to complaints on storm drains and other drainage structures as needed. The City of Asheville's Public Works Department staff cleans the storm drainage systems on an average of once a year or as otherwise needed with a vacuum truck.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Stormwater staff will continue to clean and inspect all catch basins in our system. The goal is to continue to operate vacuum trucks cleaning out storm drainage pipes on a periodic basis, continue to clean the storm drainage system on an annual basis and the City of Asheville plans to continue to perform street sweeping operations.

BMP	Measurable Goals
g. Identify municipally owned or maintained structural stormwater controls	The permittee shall a current inventory of municipally-owned or operated structural stormwater controls installed for compliance with the permittee’s post-construction ordinance.

13-14 Accomplishments

City of Asheville has an inventory of municipally owned or operated structural stormwater controls.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to maintain spreadsheet.

BMP	Measurable Goals
h. O&M for municipally-owned or maintained structural stormwater controls	<p>The permittee shall maintain and implement an O&M program for municipally-owned or maintained structural stormwater controls installed for compliance with the permittee’s post-construction ordinance.</p> <p>The O&M program shall specify the frequency of inspections and routine maintenance requirements.</p> <p>The permittee shall inspect and maintain all municipally-owned or maintained structural stormwater controls in accordance with the schedule developed by permittee. The permittee shall document inspections and maintenance of all municipally-owned or maintained structural stormwater controls.</p>

13-14 Accomplishments

Maintenance takes place on an as needed base, mainly with City crews or volunteers. These are inspected routinely by City staff.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue maintenance when needed.

BMP	Measurable Goals
i. Pesticide, Herbicide and Fertilizer Application Management	The permittee shall ensure municipal employees and contractors are properly trained and all permits, certifications, and other measures for applicators are followed.

13-14 Accomplishments

The City of Asheville Parks and Recreation department ensures that municipal employees and contractors are properly trained on application of pesticide, herbicide and fertilizer.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Parks and Recreation will continue to require this training.

City of Asheville is looking to discontinue use of roundup.

BMP	Measurable Goals
j. Staff training	The permittee shall implement an employee training program

	for employees involved in implementing pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices.
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13-14 Accomplishments

Stormwater staff conducted Municipal Storm Water Pollution Prevention training to the Asheville Fire Department (152 employees).

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Conduct Municipal Storm Water Pollution Prevention training for the remaining departments within the city.

BMP	Measurable Goals
k. Prevent or Minimize Contamination of Stormwater Runoff from all areas used for Vehicle and Equipment Cleaning	The permittee shall describe measures that prevent or minimize contamination of the stormwater runoff from all areas used for vehicle and equipment cleaning.

13-14 Accomplishment

The City has a wash bay with an oil water separator where vehicles and equipment are cleaned.

14-15 Proposed Objectives

Continue to require vehicles and equipment be washed at the city’s wash bay.

TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDLs)

1. **Objective**

- a. Determine whether a TMDL has been developed and approved or established by EPA for the receiving water(s) of the MS4 stormwater discharge and/or downstream waters into which the receiving water directly flows.
- b. Develop and implement BMPs to reduce non-point source pollutant loading to the maximum extent practicable (MEP) if the Permittee is or becomes subject to an approved TMDL with an approved Waste Load Allocation (WLAs) assigned to stormwater.
- c. If subject to an approved TMDL, the Permittee is in compliance with the TMDL if the permittee complies with the conditions of this permit, including developing and implementing appropriate BMPs to reduce non-point source pollutant loading to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). While improved water quality is the expected outcome, the NPDES MS4 permit obligation is to reduce non-point source pollutant loading to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). The MS4 Permittee is not responsible for attaining water quality standards (WQS) at the ambient monitoring stations. The Division expects attaining WQS will only be achieved through reduction from the MS4, along with reductions from other nonpoint source contributors.

2. **Best Management Practices (BMPs)**

At any time during the effective dates of this permit, if the Permittee is or becomes subject to an approved TMDL with an approved Waste Load Allocation (WLAs) assigned to stormwater, the Permittee shall implement the following BMPs to reduce non-point source pollutant loading to the maximum extent practicable (MEP):

BMP	Measurable Goals
a. Identify, describe and map watershed, outfalls, and streams	<p>Within 12 months the Permittee shall prepare a plan that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies the watershed(s) subject to an approved TMDL with an approved Waste Load Allocation (WLAs) assigned to stormwater; • Includes a description of the watershed(s); • Includes a map of watershed(s) showing streams & outfalls; • Identifies the locations of currently known major outfalls within its corporate limits with the potential of contributing to the case(s) of the impairment to the impaired segments, to their tributaries, and to segments and tributaries within the watershed contributing to the impaired segments; and • Includes a schedule to discover and locate other major outfalls within its corporate limits that may be contributing to the cause of the impairment to the impaired stream segments, to their tributaries, and to segments and tributaries within the watershed contributing to the impaired segments.

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
b. Existing measures	<p>Within 24 months the Permittee's plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shall describe existing measures being implemented by the Permittee to enhance water quality in the watershed to which the TMDL applies; and • Provide an explanation as to how those measures are designed to enhance water quality.

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
c. Assessment of available monitoring data	<p>Within 24 months the Permittee's plan shall include an assessment of available monitoring data. Where long-term data is available, this assessment should include an analysis of the data to show trends.</p>

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
d. Monitoring Plan	<p>Within 36 months the Permittee shall develop and submit to the Division a Monitoring Plan for each pollutant of concern or cause of impairment as specified in the TMDL. The Permittee shall maintain and implement the Monitoring Plan as additional outfalls are identified and as accumulating data may suggest. Following any review and comment by the Division the Permittee shall incorporate any necessary changes to monitoring plan and initiate the plan within 6 months. Modifications to the monitoring plan shall be approved by the Division. Upon request, the requirement to develop a Monitoring Plan may be waived by the Division if the existing and proposed measures are determined to be adequate to enhance water quality and reduce non-point source pollutant loading to the maximum extent practicable (MEP).</p>

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
e. Additional Measures	<p>Within 36 months the Permittee's plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shall describe additional measures to be implemented by the Permittee to enhance water quality in the watershed to which the TMDL applies; and • Provide an explanation as to how those measures are designed to enhance water quality.

13-14 Accomplishment

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
f. Implementation Plan	<p>Within 48 months the Permittee's plan shall:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the measures to be implemented within the remainder of the permit term to enhance water quality in the watershed to which the TMDL applies; and • Identify a schedule for completing the activities.
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13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
g. Incremental Success	The Permittee's plan must outline ways to track and report successes designed to reduce non-point source pollutant loading to MEP. Successes could include increased inspections, expanded and/or tailored BMPs within the scope of the six minimum measures, structural and non-structural BMP installed and/or implemented, including retrofits, and strategies developed and implemented for development and redevelopment that include green infrastructure and LID practices.

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A

BMP	Measurable Goals
h. Reporting	The permittee shall conduct an annual assessment of the program to enhance water quality in the watershed to which the TMDL applies and submit a report of the assessment to the Division. Any monitoring data and information generated from the previous year are to be submitted with each annual report.

13-14 Accomplishments

N/A