

Quick facts on upcoming permit changes...

IDEM's New MS4 General Permit: Local Implementation Requirements

This Fact Sheet is a tool to assist communities in planning ahead for IDEM's forthcoming MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) General Permit. The expected new compliance timelines and expanded requirements for managing stormwater discharges are highlighted below with a light green background.



Educate and Engage Targeted Constituencies

FIRST 6 MONTHS

Review and revise the Stormwater Quality Management Plan; submit to IDEM.

Identify 3 stormwater education issues targeting: construction, residential and commercial/industrial.

Conduct at least 2 public events as part of Public Education, Outreach, Participation and Involvement program.

Training for developers, engineers, builders, and contractors related to construction and post-construction runoff.

Update the local stormwater public information web page to ensure required information is current.

Report stormwater program updates to elected officials or an advisory board annually.

FIRST YEAR



Map, Monitor and Investigate Your Drains

DAILY TASKS

Check the local citizen stormwater complaint hotline at least once each business day.

TWO BUSINESS DAYS

Implement procedures to investigate non-stormwater discharges within 2 business days.

FIRST 6 MONTHS

Prepare, submit and certify a Water Quality Characterization Report for waters that receive discharges from the MS4.

Review and update the local Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) plan.

Review and update the local program for public reporting of illicit discharges and spills.

Identify high priority areas for the IDDE program based on land use, history and discharge frequency.

FIRST YEAR



Permit and Inspect Construction Sites

MONTHLY TASKS

Maintain/update an inventory list of all construction sites that are subject to stormwater permitting.

QUARTERLY TASKS

Inspect 100% of the actively disturbed construction sites quarterly.

Establish written procedures and tracking mechanism for the review and approval of construction plans.

Establish written procedures and tracking mechanism for the inspection of construction sites.

Adopt standards for the implementation of stormwater quality measures on construction sites.

Update local ordinances to contain requirements of the new IDEM Construction Stormwater General Permit.

FIRST YEAR

YEAR 2



Municipal Pollution Prevention Measures

WITHIN 30 DAYS

Train seasonal employees involved in implementing good housekeeping measures within 30 days.

WITHIN 2 MONTHS

Train new full-time and part-time hires involved in implementing good housekeeping measures within two months.

QUARTERLY TASKS

Conduct and document inspections of MS4 owned and/or operated facilities to minimize potential for pollutant discharges.

Develop Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for each MS4 owned and/or operated facility.

Develop plan to maintain MS4 owned and/or operated stormwater infrastructure.

FIRST YEAR

YEAR 2

Complete an inspection and assessment of all catch basins, outfalls and conveyance systems.

Note: Staff workline description with light green shading denotes more stringent timeline or new requirement.