

Small MS4 General Permit

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Topics to be Covered

- Federal Stormwater Permits
- NH Stormwater Coalitions
 - Who
 - Why
 - What
- What Next

Phase I Stormwater Program

- Industrial activities associated with stormwater discharges
- Large municipal separate storm sewer systems
- Medium municipal separate storm sewer systems

Phase II Stormwater Program

- Construction General Permit (CGP)
- Multi-sector General Permit (MSGP)
- Municipal separate storm sewer systems (Small MS4s)

MS4 = Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System

- Systems that discharge to US waters
- Urbanized areas (defined by the 2000 Census)

Phase II in NH

- 38 traditional municipalities
- 7 municipalities with waivers
- 4 non-traditional municipalities?

Current Permit Status

- Permit expired on May 1, 2008
- Municipalities covered by previous permit remain covered until new permit and authorization

Permit Requirements

- Stormwater management program
- Notice of Intent (NOI)

Permit Requirements: Six Minimum Control Measures

- Public Education and Outreach
- Public Involvement and Participation
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control
- Post Construction Management
- Pollution prevention and Good Housekeeping

Stormwater Coalitions - Who

- Nashua
- Seacoast
- Manchester

Stormwater Coalitions - Why

- Meeting permit requirements
 - Networking
 - Coordinating
 - Providing resources
 - Venting
 - Bonding

Stormwater Coalitions - What

- Projects
- Conferences
- Presentations
- Roundtables
- Legislation

Public Education and Outreach

- Requirements
- Done
- To do
- Barriers



Public Participation/Involvement

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Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

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Construction Site Runoff Control

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Post Construction Runoff Control

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Pollution Prevention/good Housekeeping

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General Observations/Comments

- Coordinators take responsibility
- Regs lack enforcement
- Needs are diverse
- Coordinators lack support
- DPWs have other demands
- Regs fall short
- Citizens drive outcomes
- MS4 are small part of state

Might Help

- Encourage consistency
- Supply state education
- Tighten relationships
- Promote stormwater utility
- Define authority
- Coordinate state or regional efforts

Help on the Way (maybe)

- Stormwater utility grant
- Clean watersheds needs survey
- Increase in some federal funding
- More EPA enforcement
- New Alteration of Terrain Rules and other regulations
- Increase # of NH regulated communities

Conclusion

- There is a ton being done
- Efforts are ongoing
- Coalitions are a resource

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