Appendix B – Program Evaluation Worksheets

These program evaluation worksheets are intended to guide an evaluator in conducting a detailed on-site evaluation. Each worksheet addresses a separate program component, and includes the key questions commonly covered during an evaluation. Evaluators should use these worksheets as a guide – additional questions are often necessary based on the specific requirements in the MS4 permit and the unique activities described in the SWMP.

These worksheets are also available, without formatting into tables, on EPA's stormwater Web site.

Program Management Component Worksheet

Date of Evaluation	
Evaluator Name, Title	
M\$4 Permittee	

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Staff Interviewed				
Name	me Department/Agency Phone Number/Email			

Comprehensive Stormwater Management Planning SWMP Planning			
Interview Questions	Resp	Response	
SWMP Plan developed?	YES	NO	
If not, what is used to guide planning and implementation?			
If multiple co-permittees, does each have a SWMP document?	YES	NO	
Is there an MS4-wide document if multiple co-permittees?	YES	NO	
Were stakeholders included in the planning process?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
SWMP Plan			

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Comprehensive Stormwater Management Planning Intergovernmental, Agency, Departmental Coordination			
Interview Questions		Response	
Are roles and responsibilities for multiple co-permittees established?	YES	NO	
If multiple co-permittees, is there an "umbrella group" to coordinate activities?	YES Name of Group:	NO	
Are the MOUs between co-permittees and outside agencies?	YES	NO	
How are in-house departments coordinated?			
Is there a stormwater task force or committee in place?	YES	NO	
Are outside groups used to implement the SWMP?	YES	NO	
	Name of Group(s):		
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
MOUs or other agreements			
Meeting schedules for in-house or inter-agency task forces or committees			

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Comprehensive Stormwater Management Planning Staff Inventory & Organization			
Interview Questions Response			
Has an organizational chart been developed?	YES	NO	
Have roles and responsibilities been assigned?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
Stormwater program staff lists, responsible parties, contact names, organizational charts			

Comprehensive Stormwater Management Planning Performance Standards or Goals			
Interview Questions Response			
Have measurable goals or standards been developed for each SWMP program component?	YES	NO	
Do the goals address water quality impact or effectiveness? How?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
Performance standards, measurable goals, schedule			

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Comprehensive Stormwater Management Planning Prioritization of Resources			
Interview Questions		Response	
Have pollutants of concern (POC) been established? If yes,	YES	NO)
based on what?			
• 303(d) list?	Basis:		
• TMDLs?			
• Land uses of concern?			
• Existing watershed planning efforts?			
Have POC-specific strategies been developed in the	YES	NO	
SWMP?	1123	NO	,
How does the permittee decide program implementation			
priorities for resource allocation?			

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Assessment and Evaluation			
Interview Questions Response			
Is the SWMP regularly measured against goals or standards?	YES	NO	
Have load reduction goals been established or assessed?	YES	NO	

Assessment and Evaluation			
Interview Questions	Resp	onse	
Have other types of improvements been assessed?	YES	NO	
Riparian habitat?			
• Stream corridor?	What types?		
• Aquatic habitat?			
• Groundwater			

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Data Collection and Reporting			
Interview Questions	Response		
Are reporting requirements in the MS4 permit for the			
following:	YES	NO	
• Co-permittees?	YES	NO	
• An umbrella organization/group?			
How are data or information from outside groups obtained?			
Have internal reporting deadlines been established?	YES	NO	
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Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
Reporting or assessment procedures			

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Public Education/Involvement Component Worksheet

Staff Interviewed			
Name	Department/Agency Phone Number/Email		

Goals and Objectives				
Interview Questions Response				
Outreach strategy document developed?	YES	NO)	
Measurable goals included in the document?	YES NO)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Outreach strategy				

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Message Development				
Interview Question	Response			
Specific stormwater messages been developed?	YES	NO)	
Describe:				
Based on what?	Pollutants of concern Target audience Behavior of concern Other			
Illicit discharges being addressed?	YES	NO)	
Pesticides, herbicide, and fertilizer education being conducted?	YES	NO)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Materials containing central messages				

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Target Audience					
Interview Questions	Response				
Target audiences established?	YES	NO)		
Based on what:	Behavior Location/neighborho Business Age Other	od			
Target audiences regularly reevaluated?	YES	NC)		
Homeowners a target for pesticide, herbicide, and fertilizer education?	YES	NC)		
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained			
Studies to establish target audiences					

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Message Packaging				
Interview Questions	Response			
Types of message "packaging":				
Different language materials distributed?	YES	NC)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Bi-lingual materials				
Materials used and distributed				

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Distribution Mechanisms			
Interview Questions	Response		
Methods and location of materials distribution:			
Distribution tracked?	YES	NC)
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Tracking information			

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Public Involvement Activities			
Interview Questions	Response		
Public participation obtained during stormwater management program changes?	YES	NC)
Stormwater related volunteer activities sponsored or endorsed:	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Evidence of public participation in planning			
Volunteer activities descriptions			

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Evaluation Methods			
Interview Questions	Response		
Public Education and Involvement assessment methods:			
Public awareness survey been performed?	YES	NC)
Describe most effective materials used:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Public awareness survey(s)			

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M\$4 Maintenance Component Worksheet

Staff Interviewed			
Name Department/Agency Phone Number/Email		Phone Number/Email	

M\$4 Mapping			
Interview Questions	R	esponse	
Outfalls and receiving waters mapped?	YES	NC)
Catch basins?	YES	NO)
Pipes, ditches, other conduits?	YES	NO)
Public stormwater facilities (BMPs)?	YES	NO	
Private stormwater facilities (BMPs)?	YES	NO)
How are maps used (i.e. tracking illicit discharges)?			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Map(s) of MS4 system			

Notes

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Catch Basin Cleaning			
Interview Question	Response		
Schedule established for inspections and cleaning?	YES	NO)
Is cleaning and maintenance of catch basin tracked:	YES	NO	
How are spoils materials disposed of?			
Are storm drain pipes inspected?	YES	NO	
Proactive or only in response to blockage event?			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
List of active construction projects			
List of projects covered under a state/EPA general permi	t		

Stormwater Management Facilities Operation and Maintenance			
Interview Questions	Response		
Public facilities inspected?	YES	N	C
Frequency:			
Private facilities inspected?	YES	N	C
Frequency:			
Checklist used for inspections?	YES	NO	
Maintenance standards and procedures established?	YES	NO	
Data evaluated to target maintenance resources?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Inspection checklist			

Road Mainte	enance	
Interview Questions	1	esponse
	1	esponse NO
Interview Questions	R	-

Road Maintenance			
Interview Questions	Response		
Frequency based on water quality factors (e.g. proximity to streams)?	YES	N	0
How are spoils disposed of?			
BMPs used during road maintenance activities?	YES	N	0
Describe			
BMP guidance available to field staff?	YES	NO	
Deicers used by MS4?	YES	NO	
Type and amount of deicer tracked?	YES	NO	
Sand/salt swept up after application?	YES	NO	
How soon?			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed Obtained	
BMP guidance			
Street sweeping records			

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Flood Managemen	nt		
Interview Questions	Response		
Inventory of flood management structures completed?	YES	NO	
Structures been assessed for stormwater retrofit?	YES	NO	
New structures include water quality considerations?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed Obtained	
Inventory			

Facilities Operation & Maintenance			
Interview Questions	Respo	nse	
Inventory of MS4 facilities complete (i.e. facilities owned and operated by the MS4)?	YES	NO	
Types of facilities included:			

Facilities Operation &	Maintenance			
Interview Questions	R	Response		
Facilities inspected?	YES	NC)	
Frequency:				
Checklist used?	YES	NC)	
Staff which perform the inspections (department or agency:				
Facilities required to have stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP)?	YES	NC)	
Is there a designated stormwater contact person for each facility?	YES	NC)	
Describe enforcement procedures used to address noncompliance on a MS4-owner facility:				
Parking lots owned/operated by the permittee swept?	YES	NC)	
Sanitary sewer systems evaluated to determine storm sewer cross-connections or overflow locations?	YES	NO		
Extent of infiltration and inflow into storm sewer system:				
Sewer spill and cleanup procedures in place?	YES	NC)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Facility inventory				
Facility SWPPP				

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Pesticides, Herbicides & Fertilizers				
Interview Questions	R	Response		
Certified applicators used?	YES	NC)	
Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices used?	YES	NC)	
Storage location of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers:				
BMPs used during application:				
Fertilizer/pesticide application plan utilized?	YES	NC)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Fertilizer/pesticide application plan				

Notes

Standards, BMPs, & Outreach			
Interview Questions	Response		
BMP technical guidance document available to maintenance staff?	YES	NC)
MS4 use contractual staff to complete MS4 maintenance activities?	YES	NC)
BMP guidance materials provided to contracted staff?	YES	NC)
Requirement to consider stormwater impacts and utilize appropriate BMPs in contracts?	YES	NC)
Materials used to educate the public regarding stormwater impacts on MS4 property (if applicable, i.e. public spaces):	Pet waste: Litter reduction:		
Applicable Documents BMP manual or guidance document		Reviewed	Obtained
Contract language for MS4 operation and maintenance	activities		

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Staff Education and Training			
Interview Questions Response			
Staff trained to identify illicit discharges?	YES	NO	

Staff Education and Training			
Interview Questions	Response		
Frequency:			
Materials used to train staff:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Training materials			

Construction Component Worksheet

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Staff Interviewed		
Name	Department/Agency	Phone Number/Email

Ordinance/Legal Authority		
Interview Questions	Response	
Ordinance used to require stormwater BMPs at construction sites?	YES	NO
Name and/or code section(s).		
Threshold for coverage (e.g., 1 acre, 100 cubic yards, etc.)		
Exclusions from coverage allowed:		
Other pollutants regulated on construction sites (e.g., construction wastes, trash, chemicals, etc.):		
Permitting mechanism used to require appropriate BMPs (i.e. grading permit, building permit):		
Is a plan required (erosion control plan or SWPPP)?	YES	NO

Ordinance/Legal Authority			
Interview Questions	Response		
Are minimum construction site BMPs specified? What types?	YES	NC)
Types of enforcement mechanisms available:	Notices of Violations (NOV Administrative fines Stop-work orders Civil penalties Criminal penalties Other:	YE YE YI	ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO
Official enforcement escalation plan or procedures in place?	YES	NC)
Applicable Documents	Revi	ewed	Obtained
Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control, Stormwater or Ordinance(s)	other related		
Enforcement escalation plan or procedures			

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Construction Project Inventory			
Interview Question Response			
Construction projects tracked?			
	YES	NO	
Projects <1 acre?	YES	NO	

Updated at what frequency?			
Information tracked:	Project status Inspection Findings Enforcement Action Complaints NOI submittal	s Y Y Y	ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO
Projects prioritized to determine inspection frequency?	Other: YES	N)
Criteria used:	Proximity to waterbo Waterbody impairme Size of project Slope of project site Other:	ent Y	ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO
Number of active projects:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
List of active construction projects List of projects covered under a state/EPA general permi	t		

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Construction Requirements and BMPs			
Interview Questions	Response		
Technical guidance provided or required?	YES	NO	
Does guidance include selection criteria?	YES	NO	

Construction Requirements and BMPs			
Interview Questions	Response		
Does guidance include operation and maintenance requirements?	YES	NC)
Does guidance have different requirements or standards for different times of the year (i.e. rainy vs. dry seasons)?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
BMP guidance or technical document			

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Plan Review Procedures			
Interview Questions	Response		
Who performs erosion and sediment control plan			
review (i.e. planning department, building			
department)?			
Training received and frequency:			
Size threshold for plan review (i.e. 1 acre, 10,000			
square feet)?			
NOI submittal verified during review?	YES	NO	
How (i.e. canceled permit fee check)?			
Pre-project meetings conducted with developer?	YES	NO	
Standard conditions of approval include erosion and			
sediment control and/or general storm water	YES	NO	

Plan Review Procedures				
Interview Questions	Response			
requirements?				
Plan review criteria or checklist used?	YES	NC)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Copy of standard conditions of approval				
Example of standard conditions applied to an approved project				
Checklist used by plan reviewers				

In addition to interviewing staff, select at least 2 to 3 approved projects with erosion and sediment control plans to review with the permittee. Try to choose different project types (residential, commercial) and sizes. Also review at least one public project plan to see if the permittee is applying adequate standards to municipal construction.

Private Project Name #1:		
BMPs adequately incorporated into the plan to address erosion control, sediment control, housekeeping?	YES	NO
Design specifications and details for all BMPs included on the plans?	YES	NO
Standards conditions include erosion and sediment control or stormwater provisions?	YES	NO
Maintenance requirements specified?	YES	NO
Notes:		

Private Project Name #2:		
BMPs adequately incorporated into the plan to address erosion control, sediment control, housekeeping?	YES	NO
Design specifications and details for all BMPs included on the plans?	YES	NO
Standards conditions include erosion and sediment control or stormwater provisions?	YES	NO
Maintenance requirements specified?	YES	NO

Private Project Name #2:	
Notes:	

Private Project Name #3:		
BMPs adequately incorporated into the plan to address erosion control, sediment control, housekeeping?	YES	NO
Design specifications and details for all BMPs included on the plans?	YES	NO
Standards conditions include erosion and sediment control or stormwater provisions?	YES	NO
Maintenance requirements specified?	YES	NO
Notes:		

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Construction Project I	nspections		
Interview Questions	F	Response	
Who performs construction storm water inspections			
(i.e. building inspector, dedicated stormwater			
inspector)? List all if different phases or areas of			
project are inspected by different staff. (i.e. public			
right-of-way, building footprint, grading phase,			
construction phase).			
Training received and frequency:			
How many inspectors for stormwater issues at			
construction projects? On average, number of			
projects each inspector is responsible for?			
How often are sites inspected?			
What determines frequency?			
Inspections triggered by rain events?	YES	NO)
What size rain event?			
How soon after the event?			
Standard inspection checklist used?	YES	N	C
Findings tracked in a database?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Most recent inspection staff training records			
Example of active construction project inspection checklist			
Records from inspection tracking database or filing system			

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Enforcement/Referrals						
Interview Questions	Response					
Can construction inspectors administer enforcement actions? If no, who can?	YES NO					
If yes, what types of enforcement actions?						
Enforcement action is most commonly used:						
Enforcement actions tracked?						
How?						
Average number of enforcement actions (by type) issued in the previous year:	Notices of Violations (NOV) Administrative fines Stop-work orders Civil penalties Criminal penalties Other:					
Most common compliance issue on construction projects (i.e. tracking on streets, litter, inadequate concrete washout BMPs)?						
Adequate legal authority and tools available to inspectors to enforce storm water requirements on construction projects?						
If no, how could the program be improved?						
Who does follow up on enforcement actions?						

Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained
Enforcement cases files both active and closed		
Example of most typical enforcement action documentation (i.e. NOV)		
List of enforcement actions used in the last year		

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Outreach and Education				
Interview Questions	Response			
Type of training provided to construction operators:				
Attendance required?				
Training frequency?				
Number of operators trained:				
Training topics:				
Presentations given by MS4 staff to professional groups?	YES	NO		
Brochures or outreach materials targeted at operators:				

How/when is the information distributed?		
Web site used to educate operators?		
Web address:		
Applicable Documents	Revi	ewed Obtained
Training materials		
Brochures, outreach materials		

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MS4-Owned Construction Projects				
Interview Questions	Response			
Projects designed in-house or contracted?				
Designers trained in stormwater BMP implementation?	YES	NO		
Checklist used during the design and/or review of public construction projects?	YES	NO		
Are projects greater than one acre covered a general construction permit (has an NOI been submitted)?	YES	NO		

MS4-Owned Constru	ction Projects		
Interview Questions	R	esponse	
If contracted planners and engineers are used for the design of MS4-owned projects, does the contract language specify that storm water BMPs be	YES NO)
incorporated into the design? In-house inspection staff inspect projects? If so, which department?	YES	NO)
Project inspectors trained?	YES	NC)
Frequency:			
If contracted inspectors are utilized, are minimum inspection, maintenance and reporting requirements specified in the contract?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
MS4-owned project storm water design standards and/or Contract language for active public project not developed house			
Project Name:			
BMPs adequately incorporated into the plan to address erosion control, sediment control, housekeeping?	YES	YES NO	
Design specifications and details for all BMPs included on the plans?	YES	NO	
Standards conditions include erosion and sediment control or stormwater provisions?	YES	NO	
Maintenance requirements specified?	YES	NC)

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Post-Construction Component Worksheet

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Staff Interviewed				
Name Department/Agency Phone Number/Email				

Ordinance/Legal Authority				
Interview Questions	Response			
Ordinance used to require post-construction stormwater BMPs on new development or redevelopment projects?	YES	NO		
Name and/or code section(s).				
Threshold for coverage (e.g., 1 acre, 100 cubic yards, etc.)				
Exclusions from coverage allowed:				
Permitting mechanism used to require appropriate BMPs (i.e. building permit):				
Is a plan required (erosion control plan or SWPPP)?	YES	NO		
Are minimum post-construction site BMPs specified?	YES	NO		

Ordinance/Legal Authority					
Interview Questions Response					
What types?					
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained		
Ordinance(s)					

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Comprehensive or Master Planning					
Interview Questions	Response				
Is there an overall comprehensive or watershed plan with detailed information on current and planned development and redevelopment?	YES	NO			
If the permittee is a municipality, does the comprehensive plan include stormwater elements? If so, what types? • Imperviousness • Public infrastructure/drainage • Open space • Water body protection	YES	NO			
Are there programs and design guidelines to assist in current and future development and redevelopment (including funding programs)?	YES	NO			

Comprehensive or Master Planning						
Interview Questions	Response					
Audit or review of existing codes completed?						
	YES	NC)			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained			
Comprehensive or general plan						
Economic development plans						

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Post-Construction Requirements and BMPs						
Interview Questions	I	Response				
Technical guidance provided or required?	YES	N	C			
Does guidance include selection criteria (i.e. based on land use, location)?	YES	NO				
Does guidance include operation and maintenance requirements?	YES	NO				
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained			
BMP guidance or technical document						

Plan Review Procedures			
Interview Questions		Response	
Who performs post-construction BMP plan review (i.e. planning department, building department)?			
Training received and frequency:			
Size threshold for plan review (i.e. 1 acre, 10,000 square feet)?			
Pre-project meetings conducted with developer?	YES	NO	
Standard conditions of approval include post- construction storm water requirements?	YES	NO	
Plan review criteria or checklist used?	YES	NO	
Maintenance agreement required?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Copy of standard conditions of approval			
Example of standard conditions applied to an approved project			
Checklist used by plan reviewers			

Post-Construction BMP Inventory			
Interview Question		ponse	
Post-construction structural BMPs tracked?	YES	N	C
Information tracked:	Location Maintenance Requirem Inspection findings Other:	ients Y	ES NO ES NO ES NO
Nonstructural BMPs tracked?	YES	N	0
Database used?	YES	N	С
Number of private post-construction structural BMPs:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
List of active construction projects			
List of projects covered under a state/EPA general permi	t		

Post-Construction BMP Inspection and Maintenance			
Interview Questions	F	Response	
Who performs post-construction BMP inspections?			
Training received and frequency:			
Are "as built" inspections performed?	YES	N	0
How often are BMPs inspected?			
What determines frequency?			
Standard inspection checklist used?	YES	N	0
Findings tracked in a database?	YES	N	O
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Most recent staff training records			
Example of BMP inspection checklist			
Records from inspection tracking database or filing system	n		

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Enforcement/Referrals		
Interview Questions	Response	
Can inspectors administer enforcement actions if private post-construction BMPs are not maintained? If no, who can?	YES	NO
If yes, what types of enforcement actions?		
Enforcement action is most commonly used:		
Enforcement actions tracked?		
How?		
Average number of enforcement actions (by type) issued in the previous year:	Notices of Violations (NOV) Administrative fines Stop-work orders Civil penalties Criminal penalties Other:	
Adequate legal authority and tools available to inspectors to enforce post-construction storm water requirements?		
If no, how could the program be improved?		

Enforcement/Referrals			
Interview Questions	R	esponse	
Who does follow up on enforcement actions?			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
		nevieweu	Obtained
Enforcement cases files both active and closed			
Example of most typical enforcement action documentation	on (i.e. NOV)		
List of enforcement actions used in the last year			

Outreach and Education		
Interview Questions	Response	
Type of training provided to designers and engineers:		
Attendance required?		
Training frequency?		
Number trained:		
Training topics:		

Outreach and Education			
Interview Questions	R	lesponse	
Presentations given by MS4 staff to professional groups?	YES	N	C
Brochures or outreach materials targeted at designers and engineers:			
How/when is the information distributed?			
Web site used to educate designers and engineer?			
Web address:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Training materials			
Brochures, outreach materials			

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MS4-Owned Construction Projects			
Interview Questions		Response	
Projects designed in-house or contracted?			
Designers trained in post-construction stormwater BMP implementation?	YES	N	0
Checklist used during the design and/or review of post- construction BMPs?	YES	NO	
If contracted planners and engineers are used for the design of MS4-owned projects, does the contract language specify that post-construction stormwater BMPs be incorporated into the design?	YES	N	C
In-house inspection staff inspect post-construction BMPs? If so, which department?	YES	N	0
Post-construction inspectors trained?	YES	NO	
Frequency:			
If contracted inspectors are utilized, are minimum inspection, maintenance and reporting requirements specified in the contract?	YES	NO	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Project stormwater design standards and/or checklist			
Contract language for active public project not developed or inspected in-			
house			

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	documents. Keep in mind that additional questions may
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	quality issues. Remember to obtain copies of any
	applicable documents or files which may assist in writing
M\$4 Permittee	
	the MS4 evaluation report.

Industrial/Commercial Component Worksheet

Staff Interviewed			
Name	ne Department/Agency Phone Number/Email		

Ordinance/Legal Authority			
Interview Questions	Response		
Ordinance which requires industrial/commercial facilities to install BMPs or minimize pollutant discharge?	YES	NC)
Name and/or code section(s).			
Types of facilities covered:			
Facilities exempted:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Ordinance(s)			

Notes

Facility Inventory			
Interview Question	Response		
Industrial/Commercial facilities inventoried?	YES		С
Types of facilities included in the inventory:			
Facilities prioritized according to risk?	YES	N	С
Criteria used:	Proximity to waterbody Waterbody impairment Type of facility Materials produced on-site Materials stored on-site		ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO ES NO
Facilities mapped? GIS?	YES YES	N N	-
Applicable Documents Facility inventory		Reviewed	Obtained
Facility map			

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Standards, BMPs & Outreach			
Interview Questions	Re	sponse	
Standards adopted which require			
industrial/commercial facilities to install BMPs (e.g.,	YES	NO	
all car dealerships must install a wash rack plumbed to			
the sanitary sewer)?			
Describe:			
Standards for new development only or do they apply			
to improvements as well?			
to improvements as wen?			
Additional criteria which determine whether BMPs			
are required (e.g. facilities determined to be "high			
priority", facilities within 100 feet of stream):			
Creation and a sum out on manual utilized.			
Specific guidance document or manual utilized:			
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Standards, BMPs & Outreach			
Interview Questions	Response		
Materials developed to educated operators about required or recommended BMPS:			
Training for operators:			
Frequency of training:			
Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained	
BMP standards or guidance document			
Outreach materials			

nspections

Inspections		
Interview Questions	Response	
Industrial/Commercial facilities inspected?	YES	NO
Frequency:		
Staff (department or agency) responsible for inspections:		
If multiple departments perform inspections (i.e. health department inspects restaurants, pretreatment	YES	NO

Inspections			
Interview Questions	Response		
staff inspects heavy industrial), are the stormwater findings compiled?			
Checklist used during inspection?	YES	NO)
Types of data collected:	Proximity to waterbo Type of facility Materials produced o Materials stored on-s Hazardous waste on- NOI submittal Other	n-site ite	
Are non-filers reported to permitting authority?	YES	NO)
Method of tracking inspection findings:			
Educational materials provided to operators during inspections?	YES	NC)
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Example checklist			
Examples of outreach materials			

Enforce	nent		
Interview Questions	Res	ponse	
Enforcement escalation plan or procedures adopted?	YES	NO)
Can industrial/commercial inspectors administer enforcement actions?	YES	NO)
If no, who can?			
If yes, what types of enforcement actions?			
Enforcement action is most commonly used:			
Enforcement actions tracked?			
How?			
Average number of enforcement actions (by type) issued in the previous year:	Notices of Violations (Administrative fines Civil penalties Criminal penalties Damage abatement Other:	NOV)	
Adequate legal authority and tools available to inspectors to enforce stormwater requirements at industrial/commercial facilities?			
If no, how could the program be improved?			
Who does follow up on enforcement actions?			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Enforcement escalation plan or procedures			W ommer

Notes

Staff Education and Training			
Interview Questions	R	esponse	
Staff trained to inspect industrial/commercial facilities?	YES	NC)
Frequency:			
Materials used to train staff:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Training materials			
Training records			

Notes

Illicit Discharge Component Worksheet

Date of Evaluation	Instructions: Use this worksheet as a guide for questioning MS4 staff and reviewing applicable documents. Keep in mind that additional questions may
Evaluator Name, Title	be necessary based on local regulations, MS4 permit requirements, implementation strategies, or water quality issues. Remember to obtain copies of any
M\$4 Permittee	applicable documents or files which may assist in writing the MS4 evaluation report.

Staff Interviewed			
Name	Department/Agency	Phone Number/Email	

Ordinance/Legal Authority		
Interview Questions	Response	
Ordinance which prohibits illicit discharges?	YES	NO
Name and/or code section(s).		110
Exclusions (non-stormwater discharges) allowed:		
Types of enforcement mechanisms available:	Notices of Violations (NOV) Administrative fines Stop-work orders Civil penalties Criminal penalties Other:	YES NO YES NO YES NO YES NO YES NO
Official enforcement escalation plan or procedures in place?	YES	NO

Applicable Documents	Reviewed	Obtained
Ordinance(s) prohibiting illicit discharges		
Enforcement escalation plan or procedures		

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Dry-Weather Screening			
Interview Question	Response		
Map of MS4 system complete? If yes, hard copy or electronic?	YES	NO	
Who can access the map and for what purpose?			
Dry-weather field screening used to detect illicit discharges?	YES	NO	
Frequency and extent of field screening (i.e. 30 percent of major outfalls annually):			
Areas for screening prioritized?	YES	NO	
Criteria used:	Land use(s) in watershed Waterbody impairment Spills/Dumping incidents Other:	YES NO YES NO YES NO	
Checklist or reporting form utilized?	YES	NO	

Dry-Weather Screening			
Interview Question	Response		
Dry-weather flows sampled and analyzed?	YES	N	10
Parameters:			
Dry-weather screening findings tracked?	YES	N	10
Dry-weather screening midnigs tracked:	11.5	1	
Database used?	YES	N	Ю
Data tracked:			
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Summary of field screening findings from previous year			
Written description of dry-weather field screening proce	edures		
Checklist or reporting form			

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Investigation of III:	ait Discharges		
Investigation of Illicit Discharges			
Interview Questions	Resp	onse	
Investigation procedure adopted?	YES	NO	

Summary of process used:

Investigation of Illicit Discharges		
Interview Questions	Response	
Staff (departments/agencies) utilized:		
Enforcement mechanisms available:	Notices of Violations (NOV)	
Applicable Documents	Reviewed Obtained	

Investigation procedures

As a part of the audit, review complete paperwork trails for several illicit discharge events (including a spill and an unknown illicit discharge in the storm drain system). Determine if the full investigation process was documented and if adequate enforcement actions taken when required.

Illicit Discharge Location or Case File Name #1:		
Summarize illicit discharge event:		
Full investigation process documented?	YES	NO
Source determined?	YES	NO
Enforcement action taken?	YES	NO
Describe:		
Describe:		

Illicit Discharge Location or Case File Name #1:						
Notes:						

Illicit Discharge Location or Case File Name #2:			
Summarize illicit discharge event:			
Full investigation process documented?	YES	NO	
Source determined?	YES	NO	
Enforcement action taken?	YES	NO	
Describe:			
Notes:			

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Public Awareness & Reporting				
Interview Questions	R	esponse		
Spill reporting hotline?	YES	NC)	
Complaint tracking database or system? Describe:	YES	NC)	
Outreach materials used to educate public about illicit discharges:				
Subwatersheds or neighborhoods prioritized for outreach based on complaints or land use?	YES	NC)	
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Examples of outreach materials				
Print out of complaint database or tracking system files				

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Spill Prevention & Response				
Interview Questions	Response			
Spill response plan or procedures adopted?	VEC	NC	`	
	YES	NC)	
Who responds?				
Adequate equipment and training for staff?				
Tracking of spills and response?	YES	NC)	
Database used?				
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Spill tracking system				

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Used Oil & Toxics Management			
Interview Questions	R	esponse	
Types of waste managed:	Household Hazardou Used oil/filters Batteries Thermometers White goods (e.g. ref E-waste (e.g. comput Pharmaceuticals Paint Other		
Describe public outreach materials used:			
Applicable Documents	1	Reviewed	Obtained
Outreach materials			

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Sanitary Sewer Discharges				
Interview Questions	Response			
Sanitary sewer systems evaluated to determine storm sewer cross-connections or overflow locations?	YES	NC)	
Extent of infiltration and inflow into storm sewer				
system:				
Sewer spill and cleanup procedures in place?	YES	YES NO		
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained	
Sewer spill and clean procedures				

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Staff Education and Training		
Interview Questions	Respons	e
Staff trained to identify illicit discharges?	YES	NO
Frequency:		
Materials used to train staff:		

Staff Education and Training			
Interview Questions	Response		
Applicable Documents		Reviewed	Obtained
Training materials			

Appendix C – Field Inspection Worksheets

This appendix includes the following four field inspection worksheets:

- MS4 Maintenance Facility Field Inspection Worksheet
- Construction Field Inspection Worksheet
- Industrial/Commercial Facility Field Inspection Worksheet
- Outfall Visual Field Inspection Worksheet

Use these field inspections sheets as you accompany MS4 staff on inspections of municipal facilities, construction sites and industrial/commercial facilities. In addition, the outfall visual field inspection worksheet can be used to assess the condition of an MS4's outfall(s), thereby giving an evaluator an indication of the quality of the MS4's maintenance program.

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MS4 Maintenance Facility Field Inspection Worksheet

Permittee:	
Address of facility:	Size of facility:
Date of visit:	Time of visit:
Provide the name(s) and title(s) of permittee staff present	t during inspection
Name	Title
Evaluator O	bservations:
SWPPP or stormwater plan	
Has the maintenance facility developed a SWPPP or	
stormwater plan?	
Does the plan include a site map, list of pollutant	
sources, BMPs, and maintenance procedures?	
Does the permittee conduct and document periodic	
inspections of the facility?	
Are storm drains labeled and free of debris?	
Vehicle maintenance, fueling and washing	
Are vehicle maintenance activities conducted in a	
designated place not exposed to stormwater?	
Are fueling stations properly designed with spill kits	
nearby?	
Are vehicles washed on-site? Is wash water	
discharged to the MS4 or sanitary sewer?	
Material storage	
Are all materials that are potential stormwater	
contaminants stored under cover or in secondary	
containment?	
Hazardous waste management	
Are all hazardous materials properly labeled and	
stored to prevent exposure to stormwater runoff?	
Waste management	
Are waste bins covered with waste properly disposed	
in containers?	
How is landscape waste stored?	
Spill response	
Does the facility have a spill response plan, and are	
spill kits readily available?	
Employee training What type of stormwater training do maintenance staff	
receive?	
Notes or additional information:	

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Construction Field Inspection Worksheet

Permittee:	
Address of project:	Size of project: NOI?
Date of visit:	Time of visit:
Name of permittee's inspector(s):	
Provide the name(s) and title(s) of site superintendent or	contractor(s) present during inspection
Name	Title
Evaluator O	bservations:
Inspector Training/Knowledge	
Is the inspector knowledgeable about:	
• Erosion and sediment control BMPs,	
• Stormwater/pollution prevention BMPs,	
 Local stormwater requirements, and 	
• Legal authority (ordinances)?	
Is the inspector familiar with the requirements in the	
State stormwater construction general permit?	
What type of stormwater training did the inspector	
receive? When, and how often?	
Inspection Procedures	
Is a checklist used during the inspection?	
Is the inspector aware of previous stormwater	
inspection results at this site?	
Does the inspector review the approved plans (erosion	
and sediment control and/or SWPPP) required to be at	
the construction site?	
Does the inspector walk the entire site and inspect all	
points of discharge?	
Does the inspection address:	
 Erosion control 	
 Sediment control 	
 Waste management practices 	
 Non-stormwater discharges? 	
Did the inspector miss obvious violations?	
Are inspection findings documented in writing and	
presented to the site contact?	
Compliance/Enforcement	
How does the inspector address compliance issues	
(verbal warnings, NOV, stop work order, etc)?	
If there are compliance issues identified, is a deadline	
given for correction?	
Education	
Are any materials or brochures given to the site contact	
to educate them about appropriate BMPs?	

Notes or additional information:

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Industrial/Commercial Facility Field Inspection Worksheet

Permittee:		
Address and Name of facility:	Size of project:	NOI?
Date of visit:	Time of visit:	
Name of permittee's inspector(s):		
Provide the name(s) and title(s) of facility representatives	s present during inspection	
Name	T	ïtle
Evaluator O	bservations:	
Inspector Training/Knowledge		
Is the inspector knowledgeable about:		
 Source Control BMPs, 		
• Treatment Control BMPs,		
 Local stormwater requirements, and 		
• Legal authority (ordinances)?		
Is the inspector familiar with the requirements in the		
State stormwater industrial general permit?		
What type of stormwater training did the inspector		
receive? When, and how often?		
Inspection Procedures		
Is a checklist used during the inspection?		
Is the inspector aware of previous stormwater inspection		
results at this site?		
Does the inspector review the BMPs in the industrial		
SWPPP (if available)?		
Does the inspector walk the entire facility and inspect all		
points of discharge?		
Does the inspection address:		
 Good housekeeping practices 		
• Spill prevention and response		
• Materials handling and storage		
• Waste management practices		
Non-stormwater discharges?		
Did the inspector miss obvious violations?		
Are inspection findings documented in writing and		
presented to the facility representative?		
Compliance/Enforcement		
How does the inspector address compliance issues (verbal warnings, NOV, stop work order, etc)?		
If there are compliance issues identified, is a deadline given for correction?		
Education		
Are any materials or brochures given to the facility		
representative to educate them about appropriate BMPs?		

Notes or additional information:

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	Outfall Visual Field	Inspection Worksheet	
Background			
Permittee:		Date:	Time:
Evaluator:		Predominant Wate	ershed Landuse:
Outfall Location:	(Latitude) (Long	g1tude)/	(Address)
Permittee Staff Interviewed:			
Date Outfall Last Inspected by P	ermittee:	Dave Since Last Rainfall	Inches
Due Outlan Last Inspected by I		Days Shee Last Rahman	
Photos Taken? Yes No Photo	o #s:		
Outfall Description			
End of Pipe Diameter	Outfall Submerged: Yes	Pipe Material:	Pipe Condition:
(feet/inches):	No	Concrete	Good
Open Channel? Yes No	If yes, in:	D PVC	🗖 Fair
Shape:	- 🖵 Water	□ Steel	D Poor
Circular	Fully	Other:	_ 1001
	Partially	a outer	Describe:
1	□ Sediment		
Box	Fully		
• Other:	□ Partially		
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Visual Observations			
Flow Present: Yes No Flow Volume:	Flow Color: Clear	Debris in Pipe:	Flow Odor:
Low		_	_
_	Muddy	Sediment	Petroleum
	Milky or cloudy	Trash	Sewage/rotten eggs
Heavy	Sheen	• Other:	_ Other:
Intermittent	Soapy foam		
	• Other:		
Debris Around Outfall:	Staining and Scum Present:	Notes:	
□ Sediment	Red/Orange		
Trash	White		
Other:			
	 Oily scum 		
If flow is present, ask the fo	llowing questions of the Pern	nittee contact:	
1. Has the outfall been inspected	ed? Yes No If yes, when?		
2. Was there dry weather flow	during the last inspection? Yes (Go to Question # 3) No (Go to	question # 6)

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3.	Was there an investigation as to the source of the flow? Yes No If yes, describe the investigation.
4.	What was the outcome of the investigation?
5.	Does the permittee have documentation detailing the investigation and enforcement which resulted? Yes No Describe.
6.	What are the permittee's next steps regarding the flow discovered during the field inspection? Ask the permittee to describe, in
	detail, how the flow will be investigated including specific staff members responsible, time frames for action, etc.
7.	If the source of the dry weather flow is determined, what enforcement actions will the permittee take against the person
	responsible?
8.	Are the actions described by the permittee contact confirmed in the Enforcement Response Plan? Yes No Describe.
Ad	ditional Comments or Observations:

Appendix D – Reviewing an Annual Report

Annual Report Evaluation Worksheet

Date of Evaluation	
Evaluator Name, Title	
M\$4 Permittee	

Instructions: Use this worksheet as a guide when reviewing a permittee's annual report, as it highlights the information most useful for assessing the permittee's level of compliance. Keep in mind that additional information may be necessary to determine compliance based on specific local regulations, MS4 permit requirements, implementation strategies, or water quality issues.

Program Management Component
Name of department overseeing NPDES compliance:
Other departments involved in SWMP implementation:
Other municipalities or agencies implementing the SWMP:
Name of umbrella organization, if any:
SWMP or similar planning document?
Stormwater task force or committee:
Internal?
Intergovernmental?

Drogram Management Component
Program Management Component Specific measurable goals referenced?
specific measurable gouis referenced.
Revisions to the SWMP noted?
Water quality monitoring data (if any) analyzed for trends?
Program effectiveness assessed?
Notes

Public Education and Participation Component
Name of department overseeing public education and participation:
Is an outreach strategy developed?
Specific stormwater messages used?
Specific target audiences identified?
Behavior changes tracked?
Benavior changes tracked?
Stormwater hotline?
Methods used to distribute messages (printed material, media, etc.)
Effectiveness of education activities evaluated?
Is a survey used?

Public Education and Participation Component
Changes to the outreach strategy noted?
Attendance at public involvement activities?
Attendance for volunteer programs?
Public comments on the stormwater program?
Notes

MS4 Maintenance Component
MS4 map or GIS?
Departments responsible for the following:
Catch basin maintenance:
• Street sweeping:
• Storm drain pipe maintenance:
• Stormwater management structure maintenance:
• Open channel maintenance:
Number or frequency of catch basin inspections/cleaning:
Street sweeping frequency/miles:
Number or frequency of pipe inspections/cleaning:
Number or frequency of inspections/cleaning of stormwater management structures:
 Publicly owned:
Privately owned:
• Thrately owned.
Frequency of open channel inspections/cleaning:

M\$4 Maintenance Component
Volume/weight of trash and debris removed from the MS4:
Areas targeted for higher frequency of maintenance?
Maintenance data analyzed to modify schedules or gauge effectiveness?
Locations/amounts used for the following:
• Deicing salts or abrasives?
Pesticides?
• Fertilizers?
Inspections of municipal facilities?
Inspection of maintenance yard(s)?
Sanitary sewer overflow occurrences?
Household hazardous waste collection:
• Number of events?
Amounts collected?
• Number of participants?

M\$4 Maintenance Component Attendance at stormwater training for municipal staff?	
Attendance at stormwater training for municipal staff?	
Notes	

Construction Component
Erosion and sediment control plan review
Department responsible for plan review:
Number of plans reviewed and/or approved:
Size threshold or other criteria to trigger plan review:
Construction site inspections
 Department responsible for private construction inspections during the following phases: Grading phase: Building phase:
• Final inspection:
Different department for public projects?
If yes, which department?
Number of inspectors who perform ESC inspections:
Number of active construction projects requiring inspections:
Frequency of routine inspections:

Construction Component
Number of inspections performed (routine and follow-up):
Number of violations found:
Number of enforcement actions:
Training
Attendees at training for
• Plan review staff:
• Erosion and sediment control inspectors:
Contractors and developers:
Notes

Post-Construction Component
Postconstruction plan review
Department responsible for postconstruction stormwater plan review:
Ordinance conversing a structure tion controler
Ordinance governing postconstruction controls:
Number of plans submitted for review (private and public projects):
Number of plan reviewers:
Size threshold for postconstruction stormwater plan review:
BMP inspection and maintenance
Department responsible for as-built certifications of structural stormwater BMPs:
Department responsible for structural stormwater BMP maintenance (public and private):
Frequency of inspections/maintenance:

Post-Construction Component
Party responsible for maintenance (permittee, owner, etc):
Number of enforcement actions taken due to lack of BMP maintenance:
Number of enforcement actions taken due to fack of BMP maintenance:
Training
Attendance at training for the following:
• Plan review staff:
Stormwater BMP inspectors:
• Developers, contractors, and engineers:
Notes

Industrial/Commercial Component
Department(s) responsible for industrial/commercial stormwater inspections:
Ordinance governing stormwater controls at businesses:
Inventory of industrial facilities?
Number of industrial facilities:
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Inventory of commercial facilities?
Number of commercial facilities:
Number of inspectors:
Frequency of inspection:

Industrial/Commercial Component
Number of violations found:
Number of follow-up inspections performed:
Number of enforcement actions:
Attendees at stormwater inspector training:
Notes

Illicit Discharge Component
Department responsible for illicit discharge complaint response and investigation:
Ordinance(s) governing illicit discharges and illegal dumping:
Calls to hotline:
Can's to notifie.
Number of reported incidents (dry weather flows, illegal dumping, spills):
Source of incident report:
Number of incident responses:
Number of enforcement actions:
Number of completed investigations and outstanding investigations:

Amount of pollutants entering the MS4 and/or receiving waters:

Number of dry weather screening sites:

Dry weather screening sites monitored each year:

Data analysis performed?

Amount of storm drain system inspected:

Number of sanitary sewer overflows (including volume of sewage discharged to the MS4):