## MS4 Annual Update

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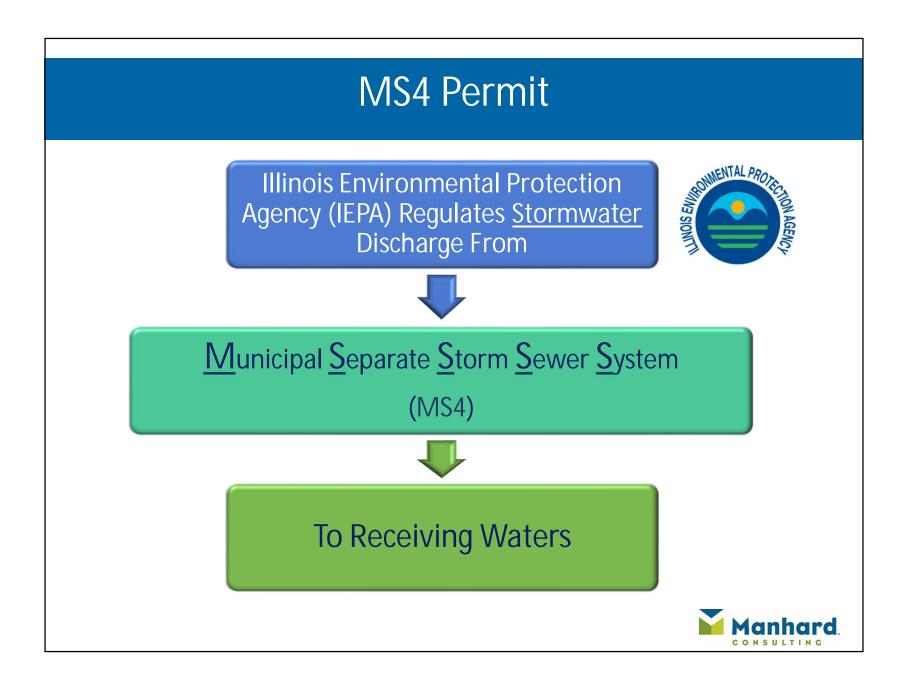


# National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

### What is NPDES?

- Permit program addresses water pollution by regulating point sources that discharge pollutants to waterways
- Created by the 1972 Clean Water Act
- State governments to perform permitting, administrative and enforcement aspects of the program





### What is a MS4?

### **M**unicipal

System owned or operated by a public agency, such as a city, town, county, state, etc.

### **S**eparate

Does *not* connect to the sanitary sewer system and does not lead to a stormwater from wastewater treatment plant.

### Storm Sewer System

Drains, ditches, curbs, and gutters that move one place to another.









## Why is Stormwater Pollution a Problem?



STORMWATER FLOWS DIRECTLY INTO STREAMS/CREEKS AND CARRIES POLLUTANTS & CONTAMINANTS WITH IT.

#### TYPICAL STORMWATER POLLUTANTS

Sediment
Oil and Grease
Toxic Chemicals
Bacteria

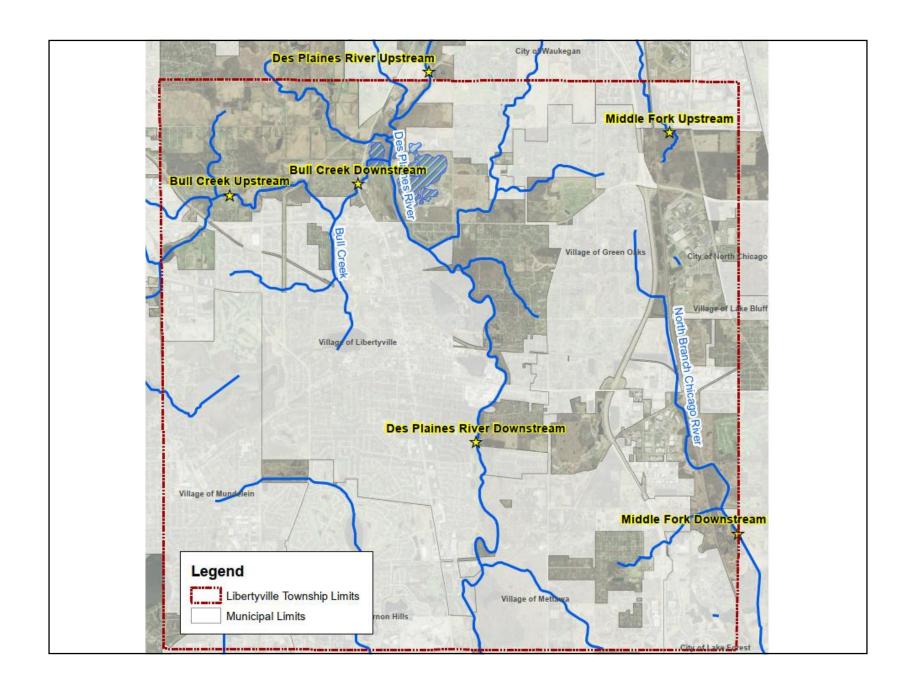
**Nutrients** 

Chlorides Pet Waste

Yard Waste

Litter





## Meeting the Requirements

#### **REQUIREMENT:**

REDUCE POLLUTANTS IN STORMWATER TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY

HOW?

DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, AND ENFORCE A STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (SWMP)

Annual reporting (6 Minimum Measures)



## Stormwater Management Program

6 Minimum Control Measures						
1. Public Education and Outreach	2. Public Participation and Involvement	3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination	4. Construction Site Runoff Control	5. Post Construction Runoff Control	6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping	
Educational materials	Public Meeting	Outfall Inspections	Review site plans	Conduct inspections	Operation & Maintenance	
Website		Water Quality Monitoring	Conduct inspections	Detention basin inspections	Snow removal and street sweeping	
Newsletter		Industrial & Commercial Inspection Program	Enforcement	Streambank inspections	Storm sewer maintenance	
					Employee training	



## 1 & 2 - Public Education / Participation



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#### MS4/NPDES Phase II

An MS4 entity owns or operates a system for collecting and conveying stormwater. The purpose of the MS4 program is to maintain and benefit water quality in creeks streams and waterways by reducing pollutants in stormwater runoff.

The MS4 program is an unfunded federal mandate. It is the result of the 1987 amendments to the Clean Water Act, commonly referred to as the Water Quality Act of 1987. In these amendments, Congress mandated that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) address non-point source pollution associated with stormwater runoff. In response to the Congressional action, the USEPA developed the MS4 program to permit the discharge of the stormwater from the MS4s. In essence, EPA defined urban stormwater (previously considered a non-point source) as a point source with numerous physical locations (or points) of discharge.

The MS4s are permitted under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). MS4 permits are granted in five-year cycles at the end of which the permit must be renewed. The NPDES permit was granted in 2003, and was renewed in 2009.

The MS4 entities are required to develop a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP), and to implement the following six Minimum Control Measures to reduce polluted stormwater runoff:







## 3 - Illicit / Illegal Discharges

"...any discharge to the municipal separate storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of storm water."

(with some exceptions)







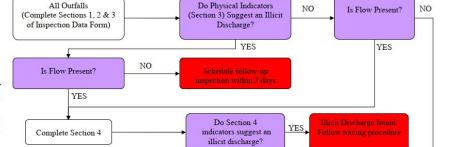
## 3 - Illicit Discharges - Examples





## 3 - Illicit Discharge & Detection

#### Outfall Inspection Procedure Flow Chart



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#### A Citizen's Guide to Monitoring Storm Water

Storm water runoff is precipitation from rain or snowmelt that flows over the ground. On its way to the storm drain, water can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants. Any substance entering the storm sewer system gets released untreated into the bodies of water we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking.

A Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4), refers to the system of pipes, ditches and/ or gullies managed by a government entity. This system serves us by collecting storm water and distributing it into detention/retention ponds and waterways, including local waterways.

Illicit Discharges contain any substances other than storm water that end up in the storm sewer system. Examples of these substances are oil, paint, wastewater and more. These contaminants have a negative effect on the health of our local waterways and the communities of people surrounding them.

#### Sources of Illicit Discharges

- > Sanitary wastewater or water from toilets, sinks, and bathtubs
- Discharge from septic tanks and fields
- > Car wash wastewaters (commercial)
- Improper oil disposal
- Radiator flushing disposal
- > Laundry wastewaters
- Spills from roadway accidents
- Improper disposal of automobiles and household toxics

#### How do I Spot a Potential Illicit Discharge?

In a neighborhood or at a commercial site, look for pipes in disrepair or hoses that lead to a storm drain or body of water. Watch for stains, suds, unusual odors, structural damage to streets or gutters, and abnormal vegetative growth in nearby lakes and streams. Sump pumps, irrigation water, and certain other non-storm water discharges are not illicit.

On or near the water, the most obvious way to spot an illicit discharge is during dry weather. Since storm sewer systems exist to carry storm water runoff, they are generally active during rain events. Without the presence of rain, water flowing from storm water outfalls or along swales may carry with it bad news.

Sanitary Sewer Discharge	Staining on pipe, heavy foam, gray or discolored water, odors (sewage, chlorine, rotten eggs, detergents), and sanitary debris such as fecal material and toilet paper.			
Illegal Dumping, Spills, or Floor Drain Connection	Oily sheen, trash or unnatural debris, petroleum odors, and stained sediment, rocks, and vegetation.			
Industrial Discharge	Discolored water and chemical odor.			
Fertilizers or Sanitary Sewer Waste	Algae growth or heavy vegetation at or near the outlet.			

If you think you have found an illicit discharge, please contact Libertyville Township at (847) 816-6800.



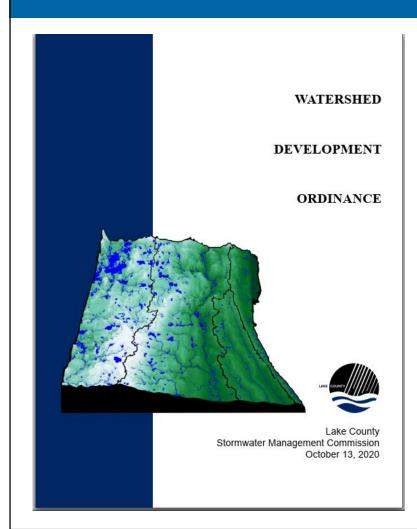
Complete Section 5

Close out Illicit

Discharge

Investigation

### 4 & 5 - Construction / Post Construction Site Runoff



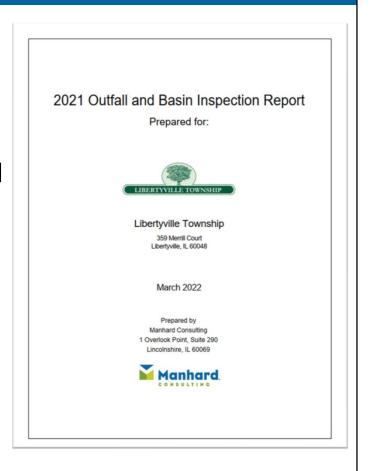
Continue to work with Lake
County SMC and Planning,
Building & Development,
as they issue permits and
enforce the WDO



## 6 - Pollution Prevention & Good Housekeeping

### Track and report:

- Sewers cleaned
- Miles of road cleaned
- Salt, brine, and calcium chloride used
- Employee training
- Linear feet of streambank inspected
- Detention basin inspections
- Outfall inspections
- Herbicide application

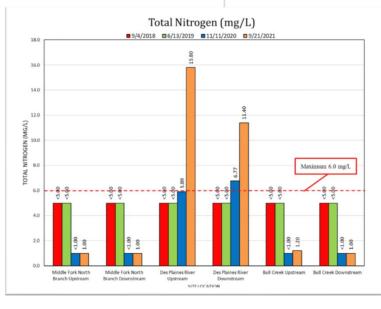




## 6 - Pollution Prevention & Good Housekeeping

### Water Quality Testing:

- Six Sample Locations
  - Total suspended solids
  - Total nitrogen
  - Total phosphorous
  - Fecal coliform
  - Chlorides
  - Oil and grease



Year 19 Water Quality Monitoring & Assessment Program

> Water Quality Testing Report for Sampling Conducted on September 21, 2021

> > Prepared for:

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## **Questions?**

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