

**Municipality/Organization:** Town of Mendon

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## NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

### Part I. General Information

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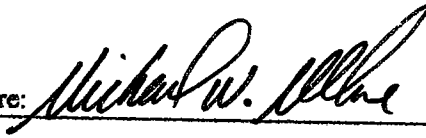
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**Signature:**



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**Title:** Administrative Assistant

**Date:** April 28, 2006

## **Part II. Self Assessment**

The Town of Mendon was issued a NPDES Stormwater General Permit in March, 2003. The Town has completed a self-assessment and has determined that we are in compliance with all permit conditions, including:

- Sheet flow inspection and reporting on a quarterly basis
- Inspection of material storage
- Annual employee training for spill and pollution prevention
- Development of an Illicit Discharge Plan
- Tier II reporting requirements
- Spill prevention measures and development of a SPCC
- Compliance with Endangered Species routines
- Site Compliance with SWPPP
- Reporting and record keeping established plans

## **Part III Summary of Minimum Control Measures**

See attached spreadsheet outlining Best Management Practices, goals and progress. The greatest obstacle to achieving the goals is the requirements of some BMPs to establish by-laws, which are subject to acceptance by the voting public, which can be viewed as an "entity" that we must rely on to achieve any measurable goal. To this end, we have not changed or revised any of the BMPs referring to by-laws, but have required that, in the absence of an accepted by-law, written policy be promulgated that serves the same intent as the BMP.

Overall, the Town of Mendon is successfully implementing the conditions of our permit and is striving to fully engage the purposes of the Best Management Practices for Stormwater Management.

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Program	Responsible Dept.	Measurable Goal	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Practice (BMP)	Town Administr.	Post educational information including DEP and EPA stormwater links, Year 1. Advertise various programs encouraging stormwater pollution prevention. Post seasonally targeted stormwater pollution prevention initiatives, and update quarterly, Year 1 - 5	Post educational information including DEP and EPA stormwater links	Advertise various programs encouraging stormwater pollution prevention. Post seasonally targeted stormwater pollution prevention initiatives, and update quarterly			
Goal	Website up and going as of November, 2005. Website includes an area dedicated to Stormwater issues, including links to Mass. DEP and EPA. In year 4, we will include various stormwater and pollution information articles throughout the year, at least quarterly.						
Goal	Highway Dept/BOS.	1 per year in local newspaper, Years 1-5	1 per year in local newspaper, Years 1-5				
Goal	Article describing what the Highway Dept. is doing toward compliance with the Stormwater Management Plan was published in January, 2006. Propose to do the same in Year 4.						
Goal	Board of Health	Monthly Collection Days, Years 1-5; Advertise on web site and with flyers	Monthly Collection Days, Years 1-5; Advertise on web site and with flyers				
Goal	April, 2005. The web site was not running for most of 2005, but it was advertised in the local papers. Monthly collection days for Hazardous Waste is cost prohibitive. Proposed date for Year 4: April 8, 2006						
Goal	Highway Dpt.	1 display at municipal bldg per year, Years 1-5	1 display at municipal bldg per year, Years 1-5				
Goal	Pamphlets entitled "After the Storm" and "Solution to Stormwater Pollution" are available at Highway Dept. Proposed activity for Year 4 is the same, plus a rainbarrel project at the Highway Department during summer, 2006.						
Goal	School Science Dept./DPW	1 Stormwater topic per year minimum; Years 1-5	1 Stormwater topic per year minimum; Years 1-5				
Goal	Year 3: made contact with School Department to coordinate some sort of pollution awareness in class. Proposed for Year 4: Meet with Science teacher (Betsy Lambert) to add Stormwater Pollution element to "Ecology Days" currently scheduled for May 24 and 25, 2006.						
Goal	Board of Health/Highway	1 town wide mailing per year, Year 1-5	1 town wide mailing per year, Year 1-5				
Goal	Pamphlets entitled "After the Storm" and "Solution to Stormwater Pollution" are available at Highway Dept. Proposed activity for Year 4 is the same, plus a rainbarrel project at the Highway Department during summer, 2006, which will include some pamphlets provided for information.						
Goal	BOS/Admin Asst	Post seasonally targeted stormwater pollution prevention initiatives, and update quarterly, Year 1-5	Quarterly updating of cable news, year one through five				
Goal	Year 3: not utilized. Web site utilized. Year 4: same as year 3						

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<p>nt/Participation</p>							
<p>icite (BMP)</p>	<p>Responsible Dept. Highway Dept./BOS</p>	<p>Measurable Goal Initiate program, Year 1. Support program; Years 2 - 5</p>	<p>Year 1 Initiate program</p>	<p>Year 2 Support program</p>	<p>Year 3 Support program</p>	<p>Year 4 Support program</p>	<p>Year 5 Support program</p>
<p>Goal</p>	<p>program not initiated. Proposed for Year 4: contact Mass. Highway or others that have initiated this program and gather information on beginning the process.</p>						
<p>Goal</p>	<p>Highway Dept.</p>	<p>Form Program, Yr.1. (BRWA). Target 25% of Town's targeted priority storm drains catch annually; year 2 - 5</p>	<p>Form Program (BRWA).</p>				
<p>Goal</p>	<p>Purchased storm drain stencils in March, 2006. We did not have enough money to buy more than 50 and if these work out well, we'll order more. Proposed for Year 4: Apply all 50 stickers; Order more.</p>						
<p>Goal</p>	<p>ConComm (Lion's)</p>	<p>Annual volunteer cleanup of roadways in April, Year 1 - 5</p>	<p>Annual volunteer cleanup of roadways in April, Year 1 - 5</p>				
<p>Goal</p>	<p>Year 3 annual clean up day: April 9 - sponsored by Lion's Club and the Upton Men's Club. Proposed Year 4 annual clean up day scheduled for April 22, 2006 ConComm will coordinate efforts to send flyers to Miscoe Hill Middle School to inform students of Clean up day on April 22.</p>						
<p>Goal</p>	<p>DPW/BOS</p>	<p>(Pat Mills?)</p>	<p>Coordinate</p>	<p>Organize program</p>	<p>Implement program, years 3-5</p>		
<p>Goal</p>	<p>Year 3: Sent request to Administrative Asst. to solicit volunteers. Two ConComm members volunteered to assist to organize effort for Year 4. Year 4: organize program</p>						
<p>Goal</p>	<p>ConComm</p>	<p>Annual contest, through Lion's Club?</p>					<p>Annual contest, years 1-5</p>
<p>Goal</p>	<p>Year 3: Advertised in school for contest. Collected posters to be judged and prizes to be awarded. Year 4: will follow same format at Year 3.</p>						

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Detection & Elimination Practice (BMP)	Responsible Dept.	Measurable Goal	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
	Highway Dept.	Compile map, Year 1. Field inspect/ verify 25% of outfalls annually. Yr. 2-5	Compile map	Field inspect/verify 25% of outfalls annually			
Goal	Year 3: inspected 25 outfalls; Proposed for Year 4: inspect more than 25% of outfalls		Evaluate existing procedures	Draft ordinance	Propose for adoption	Enforce	Enforce
Goal	Board of Health/Highway Dept. /BOS	Evaluate existing procedures Year 1. Draft ordinance Year 2. Propose for adoption Year 3. Enforce Year 3 - 5	Evaluate and draft plan, Year 1. Propose for adoption Year 2. Implement, Year 3-5	Evaluate and draft plan	Propose for adoption	Implement	Implement
Goal	Year 3: Received sample by-law drafts and started review. Performed quarterly inspections of sheet flow and material storage in the area discharging to MSA. Proposed Year 4: draft ordinance, and submit for adoption at the next most convenient town meeting. Continue quarterly inspections of runoff and sheet flow.		Post signage at common dumping areas	Weekly cleanup of illegally dumped trash			
Goal	Year 3: Wrote Mike Zylch a memo in April, 2005, clarifying the Highway Dpt.'s responsibility for this. Received IDDE Guidance Manual, and contact name for coordinating efforts to develop IDDE plans. Due to funding constraints, we could not hire this effort out, and the complexity of developing by-laws from scratch did not allow full drafting of this plan in year 3. However, a sample ordinance is under review and will be submitted for approval in Year 4. Highway Dept. had one training session on illicit Discharges with all Highway Employees. Proposed Year 4: Finish drafting by-law and submit for approval at town meeting.		Develop sampling program for dry weather inspection/detection in target areas, Year 3 - 5		Annual refresher	Annual refresher	Annual refresher
Goal	Year 3: Sampled various stormwater outfalls during dry times, both officially and unofficially on drive-by or walk-by inspections. Did not meet 25% inspection rate during dry period. Year 4: Officially inspect more than 25% of outfalls during dry period for non-stormwater discharges.		Training under BMP #6C; to recognize illicit discharges.	Annual refresher	Annual refresher	Annual refresher	Annual refresher
Goal	Year 3: Employee training, July, 2005 Year 4: Employee training planned for April, 2006		Maintain records for use in determining problem areas and incorporate into Annual Report, Year 1 - 5				
Goal	Year 3: When the Board of Health receives a complaint that could possibly affect storm water, they conduct dye testing to either eliminate or confirm a system failure. They will then order correction on the failing system. The board will order that the system be pumped weekly or take whatever corrective action necessary until the system is fixed. Proposed Year 4: Keep more detailed records.		Inspect storm drain pipes as part of the new subdivisions, as needed				
Goal	Year 3: Current regulations provide for all drainage pipes to be cleaned and flushed prior to final inspection and acceptance. Video inspection is not used, due to cost restraints. Year 4: Put policy in writing to inspect drains and pipes for any new connection.						

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Runoff Control Practice (BMP)	Responsible Dept. ConComm/ Planning Board	Measurable Goal Evaluate existing regulations Year 1. Draft revisions Year 2. Propose for adoption Year 3.	Year 1 Evaluate existing regulations	Year 2 Draft revisions	Year 3 Propose for adoption	Year 4	Year 5
Goal	Year 3: Current regulations include consideration for Stormwater Drainage System regs. This provides guidance on diverting water away from subdivisions, but does not address smaller sites. Additionally, the regs do not promote or prioritize stormwater management, but rather, water flow and control. Con. Comm. and Planning Board met with the town's Stormwater Management liason on two separate occasions to coordinate efforts between Highway, Con Comm and Planning Board. Proposed Year 4: SWMP liason from town will meet w/ Con Comm and Planning Board April 6, 2008 to further discuss how to generate more specific regulations for BMPs.						
Goal	Planning Board/ Board of Health/ ConComm	Enforcement under existing city regulations, Year 1-2. Enforcement under adopted ordinance, Year 3 - 5	Enforcement under existing city regulations	Enforcement under existing city regulations	Enforcement under adopted ordinance		
Goal	Year 3: met two times with town SWMP liason to discuss what was needed for this BMP. A Water Protection By-Law proposal was defeated at a Special Town Meeting in December, leaving the town in an adversarial 'mood'. Current efforts involve clarifying existing policies in writing, and revising those policies to conform to the intent of this BMP. Proposed Year 4: get policies concerning Plan Review in writing, and revise. The Board of Health will contact other towns about regulations on storm water in order to move forward in creating their own.						
Goal	Building Inspector/BOH/ Engineer	Enforcement under existing city regulations, Year 1-2. Enforcement under adopted ordinance, Year 3 - 5	Enforcement under existing city regulations	Enforcement under existing city regulations	Enforcement under adopted ordinance		
Goal	Year 3: Enforcement under existing regulation. Proposed Year 4: Submit written policy on inspection and Reporting procedures after the Planning and Building Departments have created a policy for Construction Site Runoff Control						

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in Stormwater Management	Responsible Dept.	Measurable Goal	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Practice (BMP)	Planning Board/ConComm	Review current ordinance, Year 1. Draft amendments Year 2. Propose adoption for Year 3.	Review current ordinance	Draft amendments	Draft amendments		
Goal	Year 3: met two times with town SWMP liaison to discuss what was needed for this BMP. Current efforts involve clarifying existing policies in writing, and revising those policies to conform to the intent of this BMP. Proposed Year 4: get policies concerning Post Construction Runoff in writing, and revise						
	Planning Board/ConComm	Enforcement under existing town regulations, Year 1 - 2. Enforcement under adopted ordinance Year 3 - 5.	Enforcement under existing town regulations	Enforcement under existing town regulations	Enforcement under adopted ordinance		
Goal	Year 3: met two times with town SWMP liaison to discuss what was needed for this BMP. Current efforts involve clarifying existing policies in writing, and revising those policies to conform to the intent of this BMP. Proposed Year 4: get policies concerning Construction Site Plan Review in writing, and revise.						
Plan	Board of Selectmen	Enforcement under existing town regulations, Year 1 - 2. Enforcement under adopted ordinance Year 3 - 5.	Enforcement under existing town regulations	Enforcement under existing town regulations	Enforcement under adopted ordinance		
Goal	Year 3: initiated contact and formalized position for town liaison for Stormwater Management. Additional hours voted for this position. Proposed Year 4: Maintain contact with liaison. Increase contact with all town boards to assure compliance with plan, especially Planning and Building Departments to create a construction site runoff plan that encompasses not only subdivisions, but any construction with disturbance over 1 acre.						

