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NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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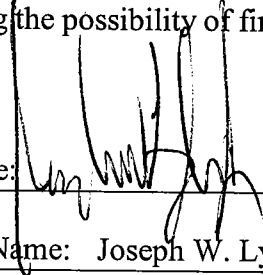
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Part II. Self-Assessment

The Town continues to make progress in implementing the BMP's set forth in our NPDES-II Permit.

From a stormwater perspective the Town of Shirley is fortunate to be a very small, rural community with little commercial or industrial property, few formal stormwater management systems, and very few pollution problems. The Town is committed to and has over the past three years carried out the vast majority of the BMP's described in our General Permit. We are equally lucky to have a conscientious population that is dedicated to preserving our environment, minimizing pollution discharges, participate in recycling, adoption of reasonable and fair bylaws for land use planning, and preservation of open space.

Overall, I believe the town has continued the make a more than fair effort in achieving the BMP's targeted for the first three years and set forth in our General Permit. We do find it very fiscally constraining to have met these permit obligations during the difficult financial times that we have faced. The town will continue to do its best to carry out all of the low cost or volunteer BMP's, and continue to make use of even better good housekeeping practices within our municipal departments, and continue to spread the word to the community at large of the importance of NPDES-II on their community.

The town has historically been receptive to reasonable and fair land planning bylaws. In fact the town has in place a controlled growth bylaw that limits new housing starts per year, which thus minimizes exposure to construction runoff discharges. Last year the Planning Board adopted a Site Plan Approval Bylaw, and the Conservation Commission was successful in passage of a controversial and sweeping and strict re-write of its local Conservation Bylaw. Passage of these two bylaws was possible only through the diligent work in fostering credibility of the NPDES-II provisions and separating them from the other more controversial provisions of the Conservation Bylaw and logically tying site planning into a formal review process.

This past year the Stormwater Committee has crafted language for its proposed Stormwater Management Bylaw. During the summer of 2006, the draft bylaw will be formally discussed with the Town's Bylaw Review Committee (a standing committee for all of the town bylaws); Public Hearings will be conducted, and the goal is to put the final version of the Stormwater Management Bylaw before Town Meeting this fall.

The town continues to find it administratively and financially difficult to set in place some of the basic logistical platforms on which to base its Public Education and Public Participation BMP's. Significant cuts in the School Department budget have resulted in elimination of teaching and staff positions. The Shirley Middle School (the target school for stormwater education) is now going to have its third principal in 2½ years which cause an obvious break in continuity thus far making it difficult to introduce new programs into their academic curriculum. These issues have essentially resulted in the delay in expanding stormwater education into the school system. However, the town has continued to spread the word to the community at large of the importance of NPDES-II on their community through the public hearing process, and implementation of strict site plan review process. Also, the Town's DPW continues to be a very instrumental participant in various good housekeeping practices.

They employ multiple-time-per-year (not fewer than two and this past year) street sweepings, catch basin cleaning, contained equipment washing, and contained storage of salt and new and waste petroleum products.

Most recently they have employed more responsible irrigation, fertilization, and pest management practices. They have also reduced their application of road salt in winter months; a practice than has been improving over the past three years. Lastly, the DPW is actively training with their colleagues in abutting communities regarding better good housekeeping practices and maintenance of structural BMP's..

We will continue to strive toward achieving success in all of our BMP's. We will at least make every effort towards maintenance of our clean local and regional environs.

Part III. Summary of Minimum Control Measures

1. Public Education and Outreach

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
PE-1	Distribute SW Brochure	DPW/Joseph Lynch	Y1-Y5: Distribute one flyer in local newspaper	Targeted for any year during years 1 to 5. Have continued gathering and compiling information suitable for inclusion in flyer, development of info outline, reviewed samples from other communities and periodical references. Desktop Published two brochures, one pertaining to Construction Protection Measures, and One pertaining to general “citizen awareness” for stormwater issues. Made these flyers available at Town Hall, DPW, and Library. Issued Construction Flyers to all construction permit holders. As in Y1 and 2 continued to seek out funding for broader publication. However, we feel that we are accessing the significant population with current measures.	Continue with making the two brochures available at Town Hall, DPW, and Library. Continue with information gathering to enhance or otherwise freshen-up our brochures. Continue to seek funding partner, publish, and distribute brochure on a wider basis when funding is secured.

<p>PE-2</p>	<p>Feature SW info an annual town events.</p>	<p>Conservation Commission/ Anne Gagnon</p>	<p>Y1: Create or obtain SW brochures or info, solicit sponsors. Y2: Feature SW info at Cons-Comm. booth at annual hoedown. Y3-Y5: Continue providing SW info.</p>	<p>Have continued gathering and compiling information suitable for inclusion in flyer, development of info outline, reviewed samples from other communities and periodical references. Desktop Published two brochures, one pertaining to Construction Protection Measures, and One pertaining to general "citizen awareness" for stormwater issues. Made these flyers available at Town Hall, DPW, and Library. Issued Construction Flyers to all construction permit holders. As in Y1 and 2 continued to seek out funding for broader publication. However, we feel that we are accessing the significant population with current measures. Made brochures available at information table at annual Town Meeting. Obtained a copy of the educational video "REINING IN THE STORM" and frequently broadcast this production on local community access television.</p>	<p>Hoedown has been canceled indefinitely due to lack of community interest. The Town will seek to identify any other public display opportunities and will continue development of our own information brochure. We will continue to place brochures on information table for public to pick up at annual Town Meeting.</p>
<p>PE-3</p>	<p>Provide SW information at Town buildings.</p>	<p>Selectman's Office / Kyle Keady</p>	<p>Y1: Obtain materials Y2: Provide info Y3-Y5: Maintain and update info.</p>	<p>Desktop Published two brochures, one pertaining to Construction Protection Measures, and One pertaining to general "citizen awareness" for stormwater issues. Made these flyers available at Town Hall, DPW, and Library. Issued Construction Flyers to all construction permit holders.</p>	<p>We will continue with the same practices as years 1, 2, and 3 and will continue to seek out and secure funding to publish hand-out the town's own information brochure.</p>

PE-4	Stormwater Webpage	Technology Committee / Kyle Keady	<p>Y1: Develop webpage content. Research logistics.</p> <p>Y3: Have webpage up and running.</p> <p>Y4: Add "feedback" component.</p> <p>Y5: Update webpage.</p>	<p>Maintained partnering relationship with Board of Health, Sewer Commission, Conservation Commission, and Planning Board offices and the DPW to identify info to include in our future webpage. Developed DPW remote network link to Shirley main-site. Established hardware needs, and developed purchase schedule for necessary equipment. Purchased hardware necessary to make network link from DPW to Town Hall main network. Began webpage design with local citizen expert. Due to health restrictions this process has been temporarily paused and will be restarted upon assistant's returned health and capability.</p>	<p>Continue with completing logistical needs. Finalize web page content by working with Board of Health, Sewer Commission Cons Comm., Planning Board, and DPW. Have web page up and running by early Y5.</p>
PE-5	Stormwater Hotline	DPW/Joseph Lynch	<p>Y1: Install hotline, mention in flyer.</p> <p>Y2-Y5: Maintain Hotline.</p>	<p>A dedicated telephone line for Stormwater Hotline has not yet been secured. Have continued in our attempts to seek out and secure funding to establish hotline and to publish and distribute flyer. However, continued to not attain success in this goal. Have continued to accept reports and answer questions via most municipal departmental lines. This stop-gap measure has proven to be functional and will continue until permanent hotline is established.</p>	<p>Will continue to seek out funding to publish and distribute flyer so that mention of Hotline can be made available. Will continue our effort to establish a dedicated hotline, and will continue to accept "hotline" reports at Planning, Cons Comm., and DPW offices.</p>

2. Public Involvement and Participation

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PP-1	Partner/Support Local Watershed Group	Conservation Commission / Anne Gagnon	Y1: Support Nashua River Watershed Association Y2:- Y5: Maintain Support	Various Commission members continue to maintain active participation in NRW by attending meetings and participating in watershed events. Commission member(s) and other town staff members remain actively involved with NRW, MACC, and Mass Audubon, and Trustees of the Reservation.	Maintain continued participation with NRW and other environmental organizations.
PP-2	Poster Contest	School Department / Patricia Stearn	Y2: Develop concept, approach, educators and potential sponsors. Y3: Pilot poster contest in one grade. Y4&Y5: Modify and continue contest.	Again discussed development concept and approach with Middle School Art Department and Science Department. Agreed to target Pilot Poster Contest during 2006-2007 school-year at the middle school age level. Have not yet identified who might participate as potential contest sponsors.	Will identify potential sponsors and attempt securing funding. Will undertake pilot poster contest within the educational constraints of the Middle School curriculum.
PP-3	Storm Drain Stenciling Program	DPW / Joseph Lynch	Y1: Outline Program; identify labor pool (scouts, inmates). Y2: Obtain stencils, develop plan and approach. Y3: Stencil 25% of catch basins. Y4: Stencil additional 40% of catch basins. Y5: Stencil remaining 35% of catch basins	In Y1 and Y2 two Eagle Scout candidates undertook a catch basin program. These programs inventoried all basins in the “area north of Hazen Road and south of Great Road”, designed stencil, and painted basins along with their volunteer teams. The effort of these two scouts has resulted in approximately 80% of the town’s basins being stenciled, which puts the town far ahead of its third year goal.	Identify what other volunteers and groups can pick up on this program so that it remains effective over next and future years. Enhance identification program to include signage (or otherwise labeling of stream crossings along town roads.

<p>PP-4</p>	<p>Incorporate SW message into public meetings</p>	<p>Exec Secretary / Kyle Keady</p>	<p>Y1: Identify / target meetings and develop message content, discuss SW at one public meeting. Y2- Y5: Discuss SW at 2 public meetings</p>	<p>Stormwater management was again discussed part and parcel with most Planning Board, Bylaw Review Committee, and Conservation Commission meetings included discussions on Stormwater Management as it pertains to impact protection by use of construction BMPs and specific conditions imposed under the authority of each board or commissions' issued permits. Stormwater management was specifically discussed before the Town's Bylaw Review Committee in debating the proposed provisions to be included in the Draft Stormwater Bylaw. Obtained a copy of the educational video "REINING IN THE STORM" and frequently broadcast this production on local community access television.</p>	<p>Continue to press the message on the importance of effective Stormwater Management through Bylaw development and continue to develop forums where this message can be heard by the public. Continue to periodically air "REINING IN THE STORM" on local community access television.</p>
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<p>PP-5</p>	<p>Pet waste Control</p>	<p>DPW / Joseph Lynch</p>	<p>Y1: Develop approach and discuss with staff (exclude farm land due to BOH manure management plan in place) Y2: Begin visual inspections of open areas, keep record of findings. Y3: Evaluate contamination threat based upon inspection results and drainage system layout. Y4: Evaluate need for "Pooper Scooper Bylaw". Y5: If needed, post and enforce Bylaw, reduce amount of waste to maximum amount practicable.</p>	<p>Continued in formulation of control approach via discussions with BOH members, pet owners (found walking their dogs on public property), and municipal lawn mowing staff (whom see the waste remnants firsthand), Recreation Commission, and Fields Committee. Recreation Commission, and Fields Committee adopted rules and regulations prohibiting unleashed pets and requiring pick-up and removal of pet wastes. Continued field visual inspections with consideration of threat by drainage proximity. This effort has determined that there is little to no problem with disposal of pet wastes in areas of stormwater collection and/or runoff. Implemented a formal policy through the Town's Recreation Fields Committee (short of Bylaw) whereby pet waste must be picked up from public property and disposed of a the owners home sanitary facility, and pets must be secured on a lease on public property. These measures put us far ahead of schedule in this BMP.</p>	<p>Continue with success of work thus far achieved. Consider adding formal "Pooper Scooper" provisions to the Town's existing Lease Bylaw. Enforce Recreation and Fields Rules and Regulations</p>
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<p>PP-6</p>	<p>Storm Water Committee</p>	<p>Exec. Secretary / Kyle Keady</p>	<p>Y1: Define mission statement, identify members. Y2-Y5 Meet regularly</p>	<p>Target membership and ex-officio staff members have been identified. Citizen appointments to the Committee not made, Committee not yet formally adopted by local authority. Staff members and concerned citizen group members have met frequently at the staff level to assure that progress is attained and maintained, and to formulate bylaw and rules and regulations.</p>	<p>Formalize committee's local authority. Make formal committee appointments. Organize steering committee sessions to develop and define formal mission.</p>
<p>PP-7</p>	<p>Implement Stormwater Clean-up Day</p>	<p>Exec. Secretary / Kyle Keady</p>	<p>Y1: Review Clean-up Day practices Y2: Identify compatible stormwater goals Y3-Y5: Have one stormwater clean-up day.</p>	<p>Continued to discussed "Clean-up Day" concept with staff. Partner with two local corporations (Phoenix Park, and Bemis). Organized two formal clean-up days, one in late summer and one in mid spring. Also promoted Earth Day Clean-up through schools, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts. Developed daily "team litter pick-up" with local youth baseball, soccer, and football programs.</p>	<p>Will continue to perform Clean-up days at least once annually.</p>

3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
ID-1	Drainage Mapping	DPW/Joseph Lynch	<p>Y1: Develop mapping strategy, and inventory existing plans, determine town wide GIS support, begin outfall locating in critical areas (historic properties and critical habitats)</p> <p>Y2: Locate 30% of outfalls, select mapping format.</p> <p>Y3: Locate additional 35 % of outfalls.</p> <p>Y4: Continue mapping, locate remaining 35% of outfalls.</p> <p>Y5: Complete drainage map.</p>	<p>Mapping strategy developed. Inventory of existing documents (plans and maps) made. Determined that there is little to no existing GIS support, data, or expertise, on a town wide basis. However, we have determined that GPS (not a full-blown GIS) mapping capabilities linked to an active database presents itself as an effective mapping tool. Have begun identifying large outfalls in critical areas. Selected a mapping format and refine mapping strategy and protocol. Expand mapping of outfalls to complete all critical areas and complete mapping for approximately 30% of the total outfalls. Located approximately 50% of the suspected outfalls. The difference in percentage may be attributed to the fact that some of the suspected outfalls do not actually exist.</p>	<p>Will expand mapping of outfalls to complete all critical areas and complete mapping for the outfalls.</p>

<p>ID-2</p>	<p>Implement Illicit Discharge Bylaw</p>	<p>Bylaw Committee / Joseph Lynch</p>	<p>Y1: Form Committee, research Phase II requirements and compare to existing Town regulations. Y2: Develop Bylaw or modify existing one. Y3: Present Bylaw at Town Meeting Y4: Implement and enforce bylaw. Y5: Review effectiveness of bylaw.</p>	<p>Bylaw review committee established. NPDES-II requirements have been reviewed. Town has obtained a number of bylaws from other communities similar in size and makeup as Shirley. The Town has also obtained copies of two model bylaws. The committee has incorporated various provisions of these documents into a working draft for our own Bylaw. The Town moves forward to making changes to its various land planning / land use bylaws in preparation to tackle mission goals of NPDES-II. The town amended the Planning Board Site Plan Approval Bylaw to include provisions consistent with NPDES-II. The amended bylaw was passed at Special Town Meeting.</p>	<p>Will continue with research on NPDES-II requirements versus existing bylaws. Will prepare a separate and distinct Stormwater Bylaw document and attempt passage at an upcoming Town Meeting.</p>
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ID-3	Eliminate Illicit Discharges	DPW	<p>Y1: Develop Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination plan</p> <p>Y2: Investigate potential problem areas</p> <p>Y3: Identify sources of illicit discharges; notify owners of their legal requirement to eliminate.</p> <p>Y4: Conduct follow-up inspections, take legal action if necessary.</p> <p>Y5: Continue to identify and eliminate illicit discharges.</p>	<p>Have made progress on this BMP. Sewer Commission has embarked upon regulating its new industrial pretreatment program (IPP). We continue to be satisfied with our overall determination that little problem exists with regard to illicit discharges in town. This; primarily based upon the fact that all of the former failed septic systems and all of the industrially used properties have been converted from private septic to municipal sewer systems.</p> <p>Have implemented a stringent inspection protocol for new subdivision, and commercial/industrial construction projects.</p> <p>The town has only recently seen its first municipal sewer system come on line. In this regard, the Sewer Commission has developed a comprehensive strategy for identifying plumbing, and septic outfalls and connection (and separation) of those to the new sanitary sewer system.</p>	<p>Will complete development of Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination plan. And will expand evaluation and investigation of potential problem areas through cooperative efforts with the Sewer Commission.</p>
ID-4	Educate public regarding illicit discharges.	Kyle Keady / own Administrator	<p>Y2: Incorporate illicit discharge information into PE BMP's</p> <p>Y3: Notify public of upcoming Bylaw vote.</p> <p>Y4: Notify public of upcoming Bylaw enactment.</p>	<p>Debated validity and importance of Stormwater impacts caused by illicit discharges at numerous hearings.</p>	<p>Will continue to keep public apprised of bylaw development activities.</p>

4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

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CS-1	Implement Erosion and Sedimentation Control Bylaw.	Bylaw Committee / Joseph Lynch	<p>Y3: Assess current erosion and sediment control measure regulations with respect to NPDES-II</p> <p>Y4: Modify existing subdivision regulations and/or develop and add Erosion and Sediment Control Bylaw. Create sanctions for non-compliance with Erosion and Sediment Control Bylaw and site requirements.</p> <p>Y5: Enforce Bylaw.</p>	<p>Modified existing subdivision regulations. Continued with development of Erosion and Sediment Control Bylaw. Town has obtained a number of bylaws from other communities similar in size and makeup as Shirley. The Town has also obtained copies of two model bylaws. The committee has incorporated various provisions of these documents into a working draft for our own Bylaw.</p> <p>The Town moves forward to making changes to its various land planning / land use bylaws in preparation to tackle mission goals of NPDES-II. The town amended the Planning Board Site Plan Approval Bylaw to include provisions consistent with NPDES-II. The amended bylaw was passed at Special Town Meeting.</p> <p>Implemented and embarked upon an aggressive inspection protocol for new subdivision, and commercial/industrial construction projects. Issued two sanctions to developers for non-compliance with Erosion and Sediment Control permit requirements.</p>	Will prepare to make assessment per Y4 goal.

CS-2	Site Plan Review	Planning Board	<p>Y1: Review existing site plan review procedures against NPDES-II requirements.</p> <p>Y3: Enhance or expand site plan review procedures to require waste control and to include construction site operators to implement and erosion and sedimentation control program, which includes appropriate BMP's</p> <p>Y4: Implement enhanced site plan review.</p> <p>Y5: Continue site plan reviews according to the new Erosion and Sedimentation Control Bylaw.</p>	<p>Site plan review regulations and procedures were put in place whereby site plans are reviewed for applicability under NPDES-II by a combination of the DPW Director and/or the town's third-party review consultant. The policy amendment was debated at public hearing for presentation for passage at town meeting.</p> <p>Offered a warrant article at town meeting for passage of an amendment to the Planning Board Bylaw such that site plan review is required as a matter of law, rather than a matter of policy. Article passed and the site plan review bylaw is now in place a full year ahead of schedule.</p>	Continue to follow formal site plan review procedure and bylaw that it now in place.
CS-3	Site Inspection and Enforcement	Planning Board / Joseph Lynch	<p>Y3: Add construction site runoff control measures to building inspector protocol</p> <p>Y4: Implement inspection for runoff control measures and site waste control.</p> <p>Y5: Review inspection guidelines and enhance if necessary.</p>	<p>Embarked upon an aggressive inspection protocol (one formal the second informal) for a couple of the more vulnerable construction sites that posed an erosion risk potential. Issued a number of enforcement orders against contractors and developers for violations to erosion control procedures.</p>	Continue to conduct inspections and enforcement as necessary.

CS-4	Solicit and record public comments regarding stormwater	Stormwater Committee / Joseph Lynch	<p>Y1-Y2: Continue existing public hearing process to allow for public comments. Incorporate construction site concerns into PE-BMP.</p> <p>Y3-Y5: Use hotline established in PE-5 to receive and record public comments.</p>	<p>Many public hearing processes conducted during Y1, Y2, and Y3 focused on zoning, conservation, and land use issues. The feedback obtained during these hearings indicates that stormwater flooding, and water quality issues were important to the townspeople. Therefore, the Planning Board Site Plan Review bylaw change included provisions that ultimately serve and benefit the town's NPDES-II initiatives. Many of these issues and concerns that were raised during the various hearings have been included in the working model stormwater bylaw.</p>	Will continue to evaluate bylaw changes and conduct public hearings and meetings accordingly.
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5. Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
PC-1	Evaluate, enhance, and implement zoning requirements.	Zoning Board	Y2: Evaluate current zoning bylaws to determine sufficiency relative to surface water preservation. Y4: Enhance existing (or develop new) zoning bylaws focused on surface water preservation.	Continued evaluation of current zoning and land use bylaws and determined that they were relatively sufficient pertaining to surface water preservation. Made progress in more clearly defining what direct regulations should be included in the stormwater bylaw in order to preserve water quality with direct respect to NPDES-II. These provisions have been drafted into working draft model bylaw.	Will continue to evaluate current bylaws to determine sufficiency more directly and relative to surface water preservation. Will expand mission to include items learned through CS-4 BMP, above.
PC-2	Implement Stormwater Regulations.	Stormwater Committee	Y1: Review current subdivision regulations relative to NPDES-II requirements Y3: Evaluate adopting MA DEP Stormwater Management Standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 into local subdivision regulations.	Incorporated MS DEP Stormwater standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 into “boilerplate” order of conditions for Conservation Commission. Included standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 into Planning Board review for all new projects. Included standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 in working draft Stormwater Bylaw.	Will continue to include standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 in conservation and planning review. Will include these standards along with overall final draft bylaw, and will move towards adoption of MA DEP Stormwater Management Standards 2, 3, 4, and 7 into local bylaw.

<p>PC-3</p>	<p>Develop and review inspection procedures for commercial and residential drainage systems / structural BMP's</p>	<p>DPW / Joseph Lynch</p>	<p>Y3: Inventory and review current maintenance procedures for private systems. Y4: Develop plan, procedure, and authority for inspections. Determine O&M requirements for structural BMP's. Y5: Implement inspection plan.</p>	<p>This Y3 BMP was first initiated by DPW in Y1, and was continued through Y2 and Y3. DPW moved towards implementation by continuation of the early phase efforts undertaken by mapping out potential policy matters regarding the increased frequency of municipal maintenance burden brought on by new private systems coming on line. DPW has identified which private facilities in town might have private stormwater systems.</p>	<p>Will continue to develop and draft official policies regarding the new private systems that come on line. Will continue to identify, and verify which private facilities in town might have private stormwater systems and begin to ascertain what O&M procedures are used at those facilities. Consider development of a annual reporting mechanism that gathers data and compliance tracking from the private system operators to the town.</p>
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6. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping in Municipal Operations

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
GH-1	Operation and Maintenance Program.	DPW / Joseph Lynch	<p>Y1-Y2: Inventory maintenance activities, identify potential pollutant runoff, and continue current drain system and street maintenance.</p> <p>Y3: Identify means of reducing potential pollutant runoff, implement reductions.</p> <p>Y4: Evaluate current drain system maintenance routine, develop schedule, identify improvements or refinements</p> <p>Y5: Reduce pollutant runoff potential.</p>	<p>Have inventoried much of the town's O&M activities which include, CB and detention pond cleaning, grate cleaning, headwall maintenance, street sweeping, winter sand and salt storage, vehicle washing, fleet maintenance, turf management, and floor drain liquid collection.</p> <p>Used the completed inventory of the town's O&M activities and evaluated each activity for potential for pollutant runoff.</p> <p>We made progress in developing a draft of probability and means for reducing runoff and pollution potential. Continued to identify means of reducing potential pollutant runoff, implement reductions.</p> <p>Determined that roadway shoulder cleaning and litter picking are likely beneficial future programs. Undertook an entire town-wide roadway litter pick project twice during this year.</p>	<p>In Y4 the town will complete inventory of the town's O&M activities and will evaluate each activity for potential for pollutant runoff.</p> <p>Will continue with roadside litter and trash picking projects. Will likely consider a roadway shoulder cleaning and grading project.</p> <p>Additionally, the town will seek to identify an effective means of controlling damage and pollution caused by beaver activities.</p>

GH-2	Employee Training Program.	DPW	<p>Y2: Develop training program.</p> <p>Y3-Y5: Hold one Good Housekeeping Workshop per year at the DPW facility.</p>	<p>The town has developed and continued to participate in a training regime that includes partnered inter-municipal training with our neighboring towns. These trainings this year included basin cleaning, detention pond maintenance, equipment wash down, beaver control, and siltation control during dewatering.</p> <p>We have developed an inter-municipal joint training consortium between our neighboring DPW's in Devens, Ayer, Lancaster, Groton, and Harvard.</p>	<p>Will continue to work within the partnered inter-municipal joint training consortium between our neighboring DPW's in Devens, Ayer, Lancaster, Groton, and Harvard. Will continue to develop new and more formalized training protocol that focuses upon good (and safe) use of BMPs and their effect on minimizing runoff. Will work towards formalization of a policy for an annual good housekeeping workshop.</p>
GH-3	Implement Household Hazardous Waste / Appliance Recycling Program	Board of Health	<p>Y1: Assess town's current recycling program and identify all illegal dumping problem areas.</p> <p>Y2: Incorporate illegal dumping area clean-up effort as part of existing current annual clean-up.</p> <p>Y3: Implement / enhance town's recycling program.</p> <p>Y4: Implement neighborhood watch program in areas of illegal dumping.</p>	<p>During Y3, as in Y1 and Y2, the town has continued to assess the town's existing recycling, and hazardous waste collection programs. Have assessed and catalogue assessed areas of town where covert illicit dumping has been an occasional and/or recurring problem. We remain happy to report that there continues to be little problem in town regarding illegal dumping. Roadside and public areas where dumping is found is picked-up by DPW forces.</p> <p>The Board of Health has twice partnered with Devens / Mass Development in conducting a regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day.</p>	<p>Will continue to track covert and illicit waste dumping areas. Will organize a volunteer effort to establish a clean-up day to begin to address these areas.</p> <p>Will continue to promote and participate in Household Hazardous Waste Collection program.</p>

7. BMPs for Meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Waste Load Allocations (WLA) <<if applicable>>

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TMDL-1	Check current impairment lists	Stormwater Committee	Y1-Y5: Reference current 303(d) water impairment lists for new TMDL's for water bodies into which Shirley stormwater outfalls directly or indirectly.	As in Y1 AND y2 the town has again referred to the applicable 303(d) impairment listing located at the US-EPA Website. (Please note that the last used EPA link (@oaspub.epa.gov/pls/tmdl/huc_rept.control=NASHUA#IMP) is NO LONGER VALID. Relative to the Nashua River, Squannacook River, Lake Shirley, and Catacunemaug Brook we have noted that no changes in TMDL for these water bodies were reported in the past year. This is similar in that no changes were reported over the same period of the last prior year. Have sought out assistance in reading, and understanding the information contained in the impairment listing.	Will continue to reference the applicable 303(d) impairment listing relative to the Nashua River, Squannacook River, Lake Shirley, and Catacunemaug Brook. Will continue to note any changes in TMDL for these water bodies and adjust the employment of these BMP's accordingly.

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RE: NPDES-II
Permit #MA041221
Annual Report – March 05 – March 06

To whom it may concern,

Pursuant to the terms of our permit requirements enclosed please find the third year Annual Report for the Town of Shirley, Massachusetts - NPDES-II Small MS4 permit. A copy of this Annual Report has also been forwarded to Mass DEP Boston and the Mass DEP Central Regional Office.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director – Department of Public Works

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