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MaDEP Transmittal Number: W-

**Annual Report Number
& Reporting Period:** No. 9: March 11- March 12

NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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Printed Name: David Cressman

Title: Executive Administrator

Date: April 2, 2012

Part II. Self-Assessment

The Town of Dartmouth Massachusetts has completed the required self-assessment and has determined that our municipality is in compliance with all permit conditions.

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 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
1-1 Revised	Partnerships <i>Install tributary signage.</i>	DPW,BOH Planning	Partnerships, Press releases, distribute Maintain and replace as necessary tributary signs.	The Board of Health and Department of Public Works continue work to identify sources of illicit discharges. The Town has continued a multi-year partnership with the University of Massachusetts, the Dartmouth Lloyd Center, and the Coalition for Buzzards Bay to restore the health of Dartmouth’s coastal estuaries and rivers. UMass has completed two fo the three estuary studies with the final report to be issued in the summer of 2012. The Final Report will assess the build-out analysis and TMDL’s will be established to assist the Town in the resource restoration. The Town continues to maintain and replace missing tributary signs on a as needed basis.	.New permit to be issued in 2012
1-2	Educational Materials	DPW,BOH	Distribute Fact Sheets to municipal buildings, Paint winning “Storm Drain Stencil” in designated areas..	The Town initiated a Cigarette Litter Prevention Educational Program in July of 2011 and will continue the to declare July as Cigarette litter Prevention Month. The Town will post appropriate signage thru-out the Town	

Revised				<p>particularly at traffic lights where the cigarette liter is problematic.</p> <p>The Town continues to provide Storm Drain Information via fact sheets at various locations throughout the Town. The Town utilized Highway Division laborers to maintain cigarette dispensers and install public notices as part of the "cigarettes are liter" campaign. The DPW utilize UMass Engineering interns for the installation of permanent storm water logos on catch basin inlets. Damaged or missing logos were replaced on an as needed basis.</p>	
1-3 Revised	Reaching Diverse Audiences	DPW, BOH		<p>The "cigarette are liter" campaign reached significant audiences by placement of the liter signs at all major traffic intersections in Dartmouth during the month of July. The Town will reuse the liter signs on an annual basis to continue to reach a diverse audience. The Town continues to provide storm water general info/programs to the general public as well as the building/construction industry via notice with all construction contracts. The Town provided "Community Clean Up Day" in addition to "Hazardous Waste Day".</p>	
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1a. Additions

2. Public Involvement and Participation

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
2-1 Revised	Storm Drain Stenciling	Planning, ConCom, DPW	Number of installed stormwater logos.	Town continued utilize DPW laborers to maintain and install new metal stormwater logos and tributary signage. Due to budget constraints the use of Umass college interns during the summer of 2010 was not possible.	
2-2 Revised	Existing Program Assistance	DPW, ConCom	Update of the NPDES Phase II Program to Town Boards	Staff continued ongoing review of applicable bylaws and regulations pertaining to storm water and continued to maintain tributary signs. The Town continued year 3 of a community clean up day consisting of multiple groups and assistance from the DPW Highway Division.	
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2a. Additions

3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
3-1	Mapping	DPW, ConCom	Coordination of data from Dartmouth BOH and DPW. Utilize Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program data and Stormwater Discharge Atlas	Continue to update mapping as required through the DPW Engineering Division and the Conservation Commission. Due to a lack of funding, the Town has halted additional effort on GIS drainage plan upgrades for 2011. Town plans to continue with Town wide storm water mapping under the new MS4 Permit to be issued in 2012. In the current year, the Town will utilize the Atlas of Stormwater Discharges in Buzzards Bay Watershed as the base drainage plan for the community.	Testing of water quality will be a requirement under the new permit to be issued in 2012.
3-2	Legal Prohibited – Enforcement	BOH, ConCom	Continued review and upgrading of existing stormwater related bylaws. Restrict feeding of geese.	The Board of Health continues to collect and review data identifying potential areas of illicit discharge. DPW crews perform sanitary inspections of all drainage structures	

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3-3 Revised	Detection Plan	BOH,DPW	Water quality testing and monitoring.	<p>The Town had granted an extension to the contract with UMass for the Turn the Tide Program. The Town is awaiting the Final Report and will utilize the document to guide future detection plan direction. The town continues to work with our partners Umass and the Loyd Center for Environmental Studies and on the build-out analysis as part of the final phase of the Turn the Tides Project.</p>	

3-4	Awareness & Education	BOH, Planning	Continue to update the placement of Fact Sheets in Public Facilities, prepare and fund (2) two Household Hazardous Waste Days during this reporting period.	Fact sheets and Stormwater informational brochures have been obtained and displayed, two (2) Community Clean Up's and two (2) Hazardous Waste Days have been advertised and held at the DPW Highway Yard.	
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4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
4-1 Revised	Stormwater Management	ConCom	Providing Stormwater Management Guidelines & Requirements	The Town continues to enforce storm water BMP's for private sector projects. Town continues the review and update of local bylaws and regulations as necessary.. Conservation Commission continues to inventory structural storm water technologies within the Town . Continued the review of standards for Stormwater related to the construction of residential and commercial developments.	
4-2 Revised	Stormwater Regulations	Planning Board	Review of Subdivision Regulations relative to stormwater control during construction.	Enforcement of subdivision regulations that prevent the release of residential lots for sale until all stormwater facilities have been constructed and are fully operational.	
4-3 Revised	Education Materials	DPW	Provide Stormwater Information to all contractors that have been awarded construction contracts with the Department of Public Works.	All contractors performing site work or utility work on significant size projects are provided with a Memorandum and wall guide to Planning & Implementing Erosion & Sediment Control Practices.	
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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 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
5-1 Revised	Stormwater Management	ConCom	Enforcement of Town of Dartmouth's and Mass DEP's Stormwater Guidelines.	Ongoing review and monitoring of the current stormwater bylaws and regulations. The Town has a designated drainage consultant who is responsible for the review of all stormwater designs. The Town's Environmental Affairs Coordinator monitors all construction related activities.	
5-2 Revised	Drainage Consultant	ConCom	Consistent Technical Review of Stormwater design and policy.	Consultant continues to provide technical input Conservation Commission pursuant to Stormwater Regulations and Bylaws. Consultant continues the review of all Notice of Intents involving the construction of drainage facilities and drainage calculations.	
5-3 Revised	Subdivision Rules & Regulations	Planning	Enforcement of regulations pertaining to stormwater facilities being fully operational prior to release of lots.	Developers are aware that they must construct all drainage facilities, and provide fully operational system prior to the release of any lot for sale.	

5a. Additions									

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 9 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – New Permit
6-1	Employee Training	DPW	Provide employee training in conjunction with 40 CFR 112 program.	DPW provides staff training on Storm Water Good Housekeeping. The DPW has training videos for good housekeeping in municipal facilities. SPCC training will be performed in the spring of 2012 by the Director of Public Works to all field personnel on “Good Housekeeping Methods”. Examples of daily maintenance procedures and equipment inspections will be presented.	Director of Public Works to provide in house SPCC training in 2013.
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6-2	O&M Program	DPW	Implementation of O&M program designed to reduce and or eliminate the discharge of pollutants from various DPW facilities.	DPW Highway Division has purchased salt brine production equipment. In 2012, the Town continued with a salt brine pretreatment program that will reduce the volume of salt used for snow and ice operations. As noted, the Town has eliminated the use of road sand for	DPW will continue to equip snow and ice equipment with brine treatment equipment.

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6-3 Revised	Roadway Maintenance	DPW	<p>Sweep all streets. Clean all catch basins annually.</p>	<p>The Town swept all primary roadways and a majority of secondary roadways. The addition of a third sweeper has improved street cleaning operations. The Town has cleaned all catch basins in Town under private contract on an annual basis.</p>	<p>The Town will continue the complete sweeping of Town streets on an annual basis.</p>
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7. BMPs for Meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Waste Load Allocations (WLA) <<if applicable>>

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7-1 Revised	BMP's for TMDL Reduction	DPW	Implement BMP's for existing stormwater facilities..	The Umass Turn the Tides Project will establish TMDL's for the Town to obtain. The will continue to work closely with Umass in setting up the necessary programs to meet the expected TMDL limits. The Town continues to uses new Vacuum Truck for servicing stormwater facilities.	Awaiting outcome of Turn the Tides Project reports.
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7b. WLA Assessment

Part IV. Summary of Information Collected and Analyzed

- The Town is in receipt of two of the three estuary studies from the UMass Turn the Tides project. The final report on the Paskemansett River will be issued in 2012. Upon receipt of all reports, the Town will request a meeting with UMass, the Coalition for Buzzard's and the Loyd Center to discuss the report findings and recommendations. The Town granted an extension to the Contract in order to complete the project.
- The Town Board of Health and Department of Public Works continue to respond and inspect for all potential sources of illicit discharge.
- The Town implemented a "Cigarette is Litter Prevention" campaign during July 2011. The program will continue in 2012. The program includes the installation of "cigarette litter is trash" posters that are placed at all major traffic intersections during the month of July. The Town also held the fourth annual Community Clean Up Day with a poster contest held at Dartmouth High School, the winning poster has been utilized as the advertisement for the 2012 Town Clean Up Project.
- The Town installed a Vortec 9000 storm water unit to service a large watershed to the Padanaram Harbor. The Town has designed and applied for funding for the installation of a storm treat system to service a significant watershed to Clarks Cove, unfortunately funding from the MassWorks program was unsuccessful. The unit would have provided treatment to New Bedford and Dartmouth storm water on Rogers Street.
- The Coalition for Buzzards Bay, and the University of Massachusetts on the Turn the Tide Project is a commitment by the Town to protect Buzzards Bay and the contributing river bodies by restoring the health and vitality of Dartmouth's waters. The project final reports should be completed by the summer of 2012.
- The DPW Highway Division has continued to maintain and replace damaged or missing storm water logo and tributary signs.
- The program continues to support the local estuary projects including the overall progress being made by the UMass Dartmouth School of Marine Science and Technology of the various brooks and ponds in the Town of Dartmouth.
- The DPW was granted funding for a new street sweeper and additional salt brine equipment to reduce the impact snow & ice operations have on the environment, both items were funded in Oct. 2011 and purchased in early 2012.
- Conservation Commission continues to provide guidance and direction in prioritizing the placement of structural storm water units in Town.

Part V. Program Outputs & Accomplishments (OPTIONAL)

Programmatic

Stormwater management position created/staffed	(y/n)	
Annual program budget/expenditures	(\$)	

Education, Involvement, and Training

Estimated number of residents reached by education program(s)	(# or %)	
Stormwater management committee established	(y/n)	
Stream teams established or supported	(# or y/n)	
Shoreline clean-up participation or quantity of shoreline miles cleaned	(y/n or mi.)	
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days		
▪ days sponsored	(#)	
▪ community participation	(%)	

▪ material collected	(tons or gal)	
School curricula implemented	(y/n)	

Legal/Regulatory

	In Place Prior to Phase II	Under Review	Drafted	Adopted
Regulatory Mechanism Status (indicate with "X")				
▪ Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination				
▪ Erosion & Sediment Control				
▪ Post-Development Stormwater Management				
Accompanying Regulation Status (indicate with "X")				
▪ Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination				
▪ Erosion & Sediment Control				
▪ Post-Development Stormwater Management				

Mapping and Illicit Discharges

Outfall mapping complete	(%)	
Estimated or actual number of outfalls	(#)	
System-Wide mapping complete	(%)	
Mapping method(s)		
▪ Paper/Mylar	(%)	
▪ CADD	(%)	
▪ GIS	(%)	
Outfalls inspected/screened	(# or %)	
Illicit discharges identified	(#)	
Illicit connections removed	(#)	
% of population on sewer	(est. gpd)	
	(%)	

% of population on septic systems	(%)

Construction

Number of construction starts (>1-acre)	(#)
Estimated percentage of construction starts adequately regulated for erosion and sediment control	(%)
Site inspections completed	(# or %)
Tickets/Stop work orders issued	(# or %)
Fines collected	(# and \$)
Complaints/concerns received from public	(#)

Post-Development Stormwater Management

Estimated percentage of development/redevelopment projects adequately regulated for post-construction stormwater control	(%)
Site inspections completed	(# or %)
Estimated volume of stormwater recharged	(gpy)

Operations and Maintenance

Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)
Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)
Total number of structures cleaned	(#)
Storm drain cleaned	(LF or mi.)
Qty. of screenings/debris removed from storm sewer infrastructure	(lbs. or tons)
Disposal or use of screenings (landfill, POTW, compost, recycle for sand, beneficial use, etc.)	
Cost of screenings disposal	(\$)

Average frequency of street sweeping (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)
Average frequency of street sweeping (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)
Qty. of sand/debris collected by sweeping	(lbs. or tons)
Disposal of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, beneficial use, etc.)	(location)
Cost of sweepings disposal	(\$)
Vacuum street sweepers purchased/leased	(#)
Vacuum street sweepers specified in contracts	(y/n)

Reduction in application on public land of: ("N/A" = never used; "100%" = elimination)	
▪ Fertilizers	(lbs. or %)
▪ Herbicides	(lbs. or %)
▪ Pesticides	(lbs. or %)

Anti-/De-Icing products and ratios	% NaCl % CaCl ₂ % MgCl ₂ % CMA % Kac % KCl % Sand
Pre-wetting techniques utilized	(y/n)
Manual control spreaders used	(y/n)
Automatic or Zero-velocity spreaders used	(y/n)
Estimated net reduction in typical year salt application	(lbs. or %)
Salt pile(s) covered in storage shed(s)	(y/n)
Storage shed(s) in design or under construction	(y/n)

