

Municipality/Organization: City of Springfield

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NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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Printed Name: Kevin Chaffee

Title: Natural Resources Manager

Date: April 29th, 2015

Part II. Self-Assessment:

The City of Springfield has completed the required self-assessment and has determined that the municipality is in compliance with the 2003 NPDES permit conditions. As in past permit years, significant funds were expended towards the City's ongoing sewer separation projects, outfall monitoring program, street sweeping, education, stormwater infrastructure improvements, park and conservation land improvements and acquisition, as well as many other permit items. Of particular note: 126 outfalls (~36% of total) were inspected over the past year and assessed for dry weather flows; an environmental firm has been hired to carry out an aggressive, expedited program for inspection, water quality testing and source tracking of outfalls with dry weather flows; a rain garden design and installation project advertised for project areas and will implement rain gardens at three public and private sites over the next year. The intent of the majority of goals within the permit has been accomplished wherever possible. It is understood that the city's MS4 General Permit expired in May of 2008. This report highlights the City's efforts to address non-point source pollution over the past year using the expired permit's goals and benchmarks.

Items not completely fulfilled include the following:

| BMP ID # | BMP Description | Measurable Goal(s) | Obstacle Encountered |
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| 1-4c | Geese Waste Signs | Assess need for signage. Install one new park sign per year if funding allows | No new signs placed due to budgeting and staffing constraints |
| 2-1a | Place Catch Basin Markers | Continue ongoing placement of catch basin markers. | DPW understaffed and unable to devote time to new placement of placards. A template has been drafted and will be used in upcoming permit year to stencil near catch basins. A focus will be placed in TMDL watersheds. |
| 6-1f | Assess Drainage System in TMDL Areas | Assess condition of catch basins and outfalls at Long Pond, Loon Pond, and Mona Lake, and consider possible improvements. | Staff and funding constraints limited ability to focus on TMDL areas. Assessment has occurred at this location in previous reporting periods. Although these areas were swept additional times, once again greater focus and energy must be expended to address these compromised waters. |

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 (10) | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 1-1a | Watershed Maps and Door Hangers, posters and Greenscapes publications with Stormwater Pollution Prevention Tips | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Continue to make watershed maps and door hangers available at the DPW | 1) Watershed maps and educational flyers continually distributed at DPW and Planning Dept. Public counter for public use. 2) Continued participation in the Greenscapes Program promoting green infrastructure stormwater management and bacterial contamination elimination. Participated in EPA’s “Soak Up the Rain” campaign via Springfield’s membership in the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission Stormwater Committee. Significant funds were spent for educational outreach and the creation of the website www.pvpc.org/soakuptherain/ | Continue to make watershed maps available for public use. Continue paying dues to remain in CT River Stormwater Committee, enrolled in Greenscapes Program and maintain Think Blue and Soak Up The Rain Website. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-1b | Catch Basin Markers | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | One set of markers to be placed per year | No new markers placed in permit period. Last year, a new template was developed for DPW employees to spray-paint catch basin areas. This will be a focus for improvement in the coming permit year. | Budget for employee time and continue to place/paint catch basin markers. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-1c | Stormwater Video | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Show video on public access channel once per year. | “Think Blue” stormwater education video (30 second PSA) acquired from Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, ran on public access. | Continue to run video on Public Access channel in accordance with requirements. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-2 | Promote Waste Disposal Programs | Dept. of Public Works | Publicize waste disposal and recycling programs through flyers in DPW lobby. | 1) Continued to promote special collection days through publications, bill stuffers, emails and flyers. 2) 6 household hazardous waste collection days held collecting 7,740 | 1) Continue current efforts for advance notification of Special Waste Collection Days. 2) Continue having Recycling Coordinator attend civic functions |

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| Revised | | | | gallons of waste, as well as bulk pickup days collecting 620 tons and Recycling events all promoted throughout year by both DPW and Keep Springfield Beautiful, a local non-profit organization. | promoting recycling. |
| 1-3a | Stormwater Matters Talk | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Presentation on stormwater will be given once per year at public event or meeting | 1.) As part of CT Stormwater Committee, we sponsored 3 stormwater pollution prevention talks at local events throughout the year and a Green Infrastructure Workshop, Vendor Fair and Stormwater Financing Workshop. 2.) One talk given to science students at Dougan Middle School about stormwater pollution. Continued water/waste water/stormwater lessons to all 5 th and 7 th graders at the Bondi's Island Treatment facility 3.) Water and Sewer implemented Rain Barrel distribution in partner with EPA Watersense Program 4) Two organic lawncare trainings hosted by the Parks Department | Schedule stormwater matters talk with neighborhood councils. Provide update on past year's efforts, identify new volunteers, and establish schedule of tasks to be accomplished. Springfield Water and Sewer to continue Rain barrel program, offering them at discounted rates to local residents. Continue to schedule stormwater talks with students. Continue with building inspector LID training program. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-3b | ECOS Springfield Event | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission | Assess possibility of establishing stormwater event if resources allow | ECOS program continues with clean water element. Combined Earth Day/Keep Springfield Beautiful event on May 3 rd , 2014 included stormwater education materials, tree planting, and trash cleanup. Earth Day cleanup collected 20.63 tons of trash, ~500lbs of recyclable metal, 3.4 ton of mattresses and 1.89 tons of tires to be recycled. | Continue stormwater and clean-up components of these events, Keep Springfield Beautiful will hold 2014 event on May 3 rd . |
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| 1-4a | No Dumping Signs | Dept. of Public Works | Place "No Dumping" signs as needed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clean City continues its efforts to remove illegal dumping. 2) Police Dept. monitored target areas for dumping 3) Cameras mounted at problem sites and seven (7) citations issued for illegal dumping 4) Nearly 38,771 tons of waste collected through municipal pickup. 5) Repair, replace "No Dumping" signs as needed. Five (5) No Dumping signs placed at Conservation Areas. 6) Clean City responded to ~ four (4) illegal dumping sites at conservation areas and cleaned refuse. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Continue established efforts. 2) If funding allows, order and install additional "No Dumping" signs and increase monitoring in areas most frequented for dumping. 3) Continue Clean City program devoted solely to cleaning up illegal dumping sites. |
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| 1-4b | Dog Waste Signs | Dept. of Public Works, Parks Dept., Planning Dept. | Assess need for signage. Install one new park sign per year if funding allows. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Continued public awareness efforts for dog waste, including posters and handouts in DPW/planning depts. 2) Maintained existing park dog waste collection systems. 3) 4 pet waste signs placed at parks, terraces. 4.) Pet waste education flyers distributed to local animal shelters for 2015. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Continue public awareness efforts on the effects of dog waste. 2) Assess need for additional dog waste collection stations within city parks. 3) Install additional signs as needed. 4) City will consider new signs when planning any work in parks. |
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| 1-4c | Geese Waste Signs | Dept. of Public Works, Parks Dept., Planning Dept., Conservation Commission | Assess need for signage. Install one new park sign per year if funding allows. | No new Geese waste signs placed. Geese waste information included on existing Kiosks. Maps can be found at Forest Park entrance. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Address any signage needs if funding allows. 2) Geese waste information is included in kiosk (1-4d). New kiosk installations planned pending funding. 3) City will consider new signs when planning any work in parks. |
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| 1-4d | Stormwater Kiosks | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Place kiosks with information on water quality and pollution prevention. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Sign at Riverfront Park addresses water quality. 2) 2 Kiosks maintained by Parks Dept. 3) No new kiosks installed related to | Future kiosk installation planned pending funding. |

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| Revised | | | | stormwater design. | |
| 1-5a | Press Releases | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Distribute at least one educational press release on BMPs per year. | 1) Continued Think Blue campaign, greenscapes publications and Soak Up the Rain campaign. | Continue press releases and advertisements, and promote any progress on BMPs listed above for 2013/14. |
| Revised | | | | 2) Continued BMP informational sheet distribution to businesses, automotive and food industry entities in the City. 3) As part of CT Stormwater Committee, we sponsored 3 stormwater pollution prevention talks at local events throughout the year and a Green Infrastructure Workshop, Vendor Fair and Stormwater Financing Workshop. One talk given to science students at Dougan Middle School about stormwater pollution. 4) Participated and contributed to Pioneer Green Infrastructure Committee. Report completed "Our Next Future: An Action Plan for Building a Smart, Sustainable and Resilient Pioneer Valley". Outreach events and trainings were outputs of this project. | |

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| 1-5b | Stormwater Display | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission, Planning Dept. | Establish a stormwater display at DPW one month per year. | 1) Continued display of stormwater education materials in lobby of DPW and Planning Department 2) Continued participation with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) and Connecticut River Stormwater Committee, which develops stormwater education programs. Dues paid for 2014-2015 year. | 1) Continue display effort. 2) Refine and improve display as funding allows. 3) Continue participation with PVPC and Connecticut River Stormwater Committee in developing stormwater education programs. |
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| 1-5c | Educate Local Business | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission, Planning Dept. | Assess stormwater educational opportunities with Business and Industries. | 1) Conservation Commission held pre-design meetings to educate developers on the importance and cost-effectiveness of proper stormwater maintenance. Infiltration and rain garden BMP's implemented at three (3) sites subject to wetland jurisdiction, implemented pursuant to MA DEP's Stormwater Management policy 2) "Preventing Stormwater Pollution Fact Sheets" continued to be distributed to target Automotive, businesses and food industry. | 1) Con Comm to continue holding pre-design meetings with development project proponents. 2) Continue to educate the public through multiple media. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-5d | Display Materials | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Assess existing City events for opportunities to display stormwater materials. | 1) Earth Day Cleanup 2015 identified as event for Stormwater Display. 2) Stormwater educational material display continued in lobby of DPW (see 1-5b) and City Hall. 3) Stormwater web materials made available on DPW-Engineering and Conservation Commission website | 1) Continue display effort. 2) Refine and improve display as funding allows. |
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2. Public Involvement and Participation

| BMP ID # | BMP Description | Responsible Dept./Person Name | Measurable Goal(s) | Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 2-1a | Catch Basin Markers | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | One set of markers to be placed per year. | No new placards placed during permit period due to budget constraints. | Acquire funding to purchase and continue to place catch basin markers. |
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| 2-1b | Water Quality Monitoring | Planning Dept. | Coordinate volunteer water quality monitoring program. | 1) Ammonia, Nitrogen, Phosphorus, E.Coli, pH, Dissolved Oxygen, Macroinvertebrates, Flow, Temperature, and Chlorine level testing performed at Abbey Brook through a Renaissance school Student project (year 7) 2) Monitoring is performed at all public swimming locations by the Board of Health. 26 tests performed. 4) Pioneer Valley Planning Commission continued summer E. coli monitoring of multiple points on CT river (6 year ongoing project). Project protocol established for E. coli testing of multiple points on lower Chicopee River. | Continue volunteer relationship with Springfield schools or identify new volunteer opportunities. |
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| 2-1c | Vegetative Cover Data Collection | Planning Dept., Parks Dept. | Establish volunteer program to monitor ground cover at critical locations. | 1) GIS/GPS technology used to manage tree planting and staffing, 2) A local non-profit Regreen Springfield conducted a vegetative cover survey using iTree Canopy. | Coordinate with volunteer organizations, and continue to perform ground cover assessment as staffing and funding allows. |
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| 2-1d | Earth Day clean-up | Museum Assoc., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Plan and conduct Earth Day events. | Combined Earth Day/Keep Springfield Beautiful event on May 3 rd , 2015 included stormwater materials, tree planting, and trash cleanup. Earth Day cleanup collected 20.63 tons of trash, ~500lbs of recyclable metal, 3.4 ton of mattresses and 1.89 tons of tires to be recycled. | Continue stormwater and clean-up components of these events |
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| 2-2 | Stormwater Management Plan Public Participation | Dept. of Public Works | DPW will make stormwater plan available to public. | 1) "2003 Summary Report on Water Quality for Springfield's Lakes and Ponds" available to public. 2) City-wide Stormwater Management plan made available by the In-house Stormwater Steering Committee. 3) Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Ordinance passed by City Council in September of 2013. 4) General pre and post construction stormwater management bylaw passed by City Council in September of 2013. | Provide update information on 2003 Summary Report to public as it is developed. Continue to meet monthly with department heads assigned to Stormwater Steering Committee. |
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| 2-3a | Household Hazardous Waste Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Hold Haz. Collection Day for residents to drop off materials for disposal. | 1) Advertised collection day through bill stuffers, newspaper and flyer distribution. 2) Held six collection events to limit possibility of illegal dumping of hazardous material. Approximately 7,740 gallons of hazardous materials collected | Continue to advertise and hold Hazardous Material Collection Event for households Citywide. |
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| 2-3b | Bulk Item Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Residents can call to schedule Bulk Material Collection Day of up to 5 items. | Bulk Collection Program on-going with residents able to call to schedule pickups. Approximately 620 tons bulk material land filled. | Continue to make program available to residents if funding allows. |
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| 2-3c | Curbside Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Residential recycling is to be picked-up every other week year round. Recycling is required per Springfield ordinance. | Single stream program continued. Program on-going: 8,060 tons recycled. | Continue to make program available to residents. |
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| 2-3d | Rechargeable Battery Recycling | Dept. of Public Works | Maintain residential drop-off of rechargeable batteries at DPW. | Continued collection program on-going. 515 pounds of batteries collected | Continue to make program available to residents. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 2-3e | Leaf and Yard Waste Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Maintain current leaf and brush collection program. Compost material is made available to residents. | Collection and composting program on-going at DPW yard and landfill. Residents can also drop off brush waste directly at the landfill. 8,049tons of yard waste composted. Free compost available for public in Spring 2015. | Continue to make program available to residents. |
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3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

| BMP ID # | BMP Description | Responsible Dept./Person Name | Measurable Goal(s) | Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 3-1a | Sewer Book Maintained | Dept. of Public Works | Maintain existing drainage system map. | 1) Existing infrastructure (sewer and drainage) book is updated annually. | 1) Continue update on sewer and drainage system book as new system are constructed/upgraded. 2) Require all new developers to provide AutoCAD files of design plans to aid in update. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-1b | Sewer GIS Available | Dept. of Public Works, Water & Sewer Commission | GIS mapping of infrastructure. | 1) On-going establishment/update of GIS system with new/replacement infrastructure. 2) Continued: GPS data point collection, field verification, geospatial adjustments, digital archive linkage, video inspection linkage, and condition assessment. 3) Development of Risk Model for infrastructure completed. 4) water quality model updated to reflect CSO separation and stormwater models. | 1) Continue update of GIS system as systems are constructed or upgraded. 2) Require all new developers to provide AutoCAD files of design plans to aid in update. 3) To implement standardized data collection methods and to develop a sewer atlas for operations crews. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-2a | Illicit Discharge Ordinance Development — Evaluate Existing Illicit Discharge Ordinances | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept., Water & Sewer Commission | Review current City ordinance. Obtain and review ordinances from other communities. | Sample ordinances reviewed. | Task completed. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-2b | Illicit Discharge Ordinance Development — Develop Draft Ordinance | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept., Water & Sewer Commission | Draft new wording. Educate public, officials, and the private sector. | Draft ordinance has been developed based on template from MA DEP. Ordinance has been reviewed and approved by Stormwater Steering Committee and supported by Mayor. | Task completed |
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| 3-2c | Illicit Discharge Ordinance Development — Draft Available For Comment | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept., Water & Sewer Commission | Float new ordinance for one-year comment period. Continue education. | Illicit Discharge and Pre/Post-Construction SW Management Ordinances approved by City Council, September 2013. | Task Completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-2d | Illicit Discharge Ordinance Development — Passage Process | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept., Water & Sewer Commission | Attempt to pass ordinance, continue comment period and educate more if necessary. | Illicit Discharge and Pre/Post-Construction SW Management Ordinances approved by City Council, September 2013. | Task Completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-3a | Determine Priority Areas | Dept. of Public Works, Water & Sewer Commission | Determine priority areas. Inspect outlets at two water bodies per year. | All CSO Outlets inspected twice a week. ~\$23,000,000 spent on CSO 008 separation over 2013-2015. Projects identified and prioritized for rehabilitation of the Main Intercepting Sewer, York Street Pump Station and one River Crossing Project with an estimated cost of \$78,000,000 | 1) Establish priorities for 2012-2013 as finances allow. 2) Establish and coordinate volunteer inspection programs as finances allow. |
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| 3-3b | Inspections | Dept. of Public Works | Visually screen outfalls. | - Inspections continued — ninety-eight (126) outfalls inspected by DPW staff. - Water and Sewer commission inspected all CSO's twice per week. | Establish inspection criteria and program for implementation. |
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| 3-3c | Investigation | Dept. of Public Works, Water and Sewer Commission | Trace the source of illicit discharges. | Ongoing formal investigation program in place. 126 Outfalls inspected and noted for dry weather flows. 30 cases of dry weather flow will have follow up inspection and water quality testing performed over the summer months of 2015. One illicit connection identified over the past year, with detection and source tracking pending. | Continue program. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 3-3d | Correct any problems found | Dept. of Public Works, Water & Sewer Commission | Remove source of illicit discharges. | 1 Illicit service connections located. - aging septic system taken off line at Phaneuf Environmental Center and connected to sanitary system. | Continue program of inspection, investigation, and correction. |
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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 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 4-1 | Wetland Protection | Conservation Commission | Review existing regulations which require compliance with stormwater policy within wetland buffer. | 1) On-going pre-construction review of new projects for permit issuance and compliance with wetland and SWM performance standards. Three projects implemented stormwater BMPs in wetland jurisdictional areas. 2) City construction site plan requirements are available on the web. DPW requiring, to maximum extent practicable, infiltration on all new projects. No net increase in runoff post construction. 3) MA Wetland Protection Act stormwater management standards enforced by Conservation Commission. 4) 3 enforcement actions taken, restoration plans implemented following action. 5) Natural Resources Manager attained CESSWI certification | On-going review of new projects. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2a | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Evaluate Existing Plans | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Review sample regulations for other communities. Initiate discussions for ordinance establishment | Sample ordinances reviewed. | Task completed. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2b | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Develop Draft Ordinance | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Draft new wording. Educate public, officials, and the private sector. | Draft ordinance has been developed based on template template from MA DEP and ordinances/bylaws adopted by other municipalities and was reviewed by Stormwater Steering Committee. This will be incorporated into one overarching ordinance that includes post-construction runoff requirements. | Task completed. |
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| 4-2c | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Draft Available For Comment | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Float new ordinance for one-year comment period. Continue education. | Currently reviewed and comments received. | Task completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2d | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Passage Process | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Attempt to pass ordinance, continue comment period and educate more if necessary. | Ordinance passed by City Council, September 2013. | Task completed |
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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 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 5-1 | Wetland Protection | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works | Review existing regulations which require compliance with stormwater policy within wetland buffer. | 1) Ongoing pre-construction review of new projects for permit issuance and compliance with wetland and SWM performance standards. 2) Encouraged Low Impact design of stormwater infrastructure in new projects. Three new projects completed using LID techniques. State fire training facility completed, implementing state of the art reclamation system and infiltration/retention BMPs. Rain gardens installed at Camp Wilder, North Riverfront Park and Camp Star Projects. 3) All new projects reviewed by DPW required to implement infiltration BMPs to maximum extent practicable. No net increase in runoff, post construction. DPW projects of note: Boston Road project completed updating 2 miles of infrastructure installing approximately 60 deep sump basins; all new arterial projects implement deep sump replacement. | Continue discussion of Interdepartmental Site Plan Review Committee. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-2a | Site Plan Review Process | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept | Require TSS removal for groundwater recharge. Attenuate peak flows. | 1) Continued requiring infiltration and TSS removal for new developments. 2) SWMS maintenance plan for non-wetland sites in developed. 3) New public draft of zoning ordinances is available (funded by \$90,000 grant noted in previous permit years). Zoning ordinance controls site plan reviews. 4) Zoning modernization project completed. Site plan review process in place. | 1) Continue enforcing design requirements. 2) Establish SWMS maintenance plan for non-wetland sites. 3) Complete development of BMP implementation database. 4) Continue zoning ordinance passage process. |
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| 5-2b | Evaluate for Changes and Improvements | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Assess existing procedures and make improvements to process. | New zoning ordinances is in place and available (funded by \$90,000 grant noted in previous permit years). | Continue site plan review, make updates as necessary. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3a | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Evaluate Existing Site Plan Process | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Assess need for new bylaw/ordinance regarding maintenance of BMPs. | 1) Site plan review committee to be established after citywide revision of review process is complete. 2) Sample ordinances reviewed 3) Ordinance passed by City Council, September 2013 | Continue discussion of Interdepartmental Site Plan Review Committee. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3b | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Develop Draft Guidelines | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Draft new wording. Educate public, officials, and the private sector. | Draft ordinance has been developed based on template template from MA DEP and ordinances/bylaws adopted by other municipalities and is undergoing final review. Draft currently incorporated into sedimentation and erosion control ordinance. One ordinance will be created to control run off in general as well as in post-construction conditions. Formally approved by Stormwater Steering Committee. | Task Complete |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3c | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Draft Available For Comment | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Float new bylaw for one-year comment period. Continue education. | Comments received. | Task Complete |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3d | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Passage Process | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Attempt to pass bylaw, continue comment period and educate more if necessary. | Ordinance passed by City Council, September 2013 | Task Complete |
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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 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 6-1a | Street Sweeping — Winter Cleanup | Dept. of Public Works | Sweep streets a minimum of once per year. | 1) Seasonal operation for calendar year 2014 began in April. First round for arterial and residential routes completed by the end of August. The second round completed by November of 2014. 2) Total tonnage collected: 2,971 tons of debris | Continue with established practices. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1b | Street Sweeping — Ongoing | Dept. of Public Works | Re-establish normal sweeping program of 6-times per year as funding allows | 1) Total tonnage collected: 2,971 tons | Continue established schedule and increased sweeping frequency as funding allows. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1c | TMDL Targeted Sweeping Areas | Dept. of Public Works | Loon Pond, Long Pond, and Mona Lake areas will receive additional sweeping | Areas swept as part of regular maintenance. Additional sweeping occurred, although no tonnage specific to the particular area was recorded. | Implement enhanced sweeping program in 2013/14 if budget allows. |
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| 6-1d | Catch Basin Cleaning | Dept. of Public Works | Re-establish catch basin cleaning program as budget allow. | 753 basins cleaned, removing 95.34 tons of debris from the system. | Continue cleaning schedule as needed and as budget allows. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1e | Tree Planting | Dept. of Public Works, Parks Dept. | Replace ailing trees and plant new trees in public areas. | 1) Following the devastation of the June 2011 tornado and October 2011 snowstorm, an extensive tree planting effort continues: 341 trees planted by Springfield Forestry. 2) Keep Springfield Beautiful, a local non- | Continue tree planting program. |

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| 6-1f | Assess Drainage System in TMDL Areas | Dept. of Public Works | Assess condition of catch basins and outfalls at Long Pond, Loon Pond, and Mona Lake, and consider possible improvements. | 1) Continued catch basin and outfall inspection conducted near Mona Lake. | Consider further improvements to drainage systems at Long Pond, Loon Pond, and Mona Lake as budget priorities allow. |
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| 6-2a | Existing Practices | Dept. of Public Works | Continue existing housekeeping practices to minimize stormwater pollution. | Practices continued. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recycling and reduction of hazardous materials - Salt storage within salt shed - Maintenance of drainage system BMPs - Spill prevention and cleanup procedures - Oil/water separators at all fire stations, police department and facilities parking areas. - Stormwater reclamation system installed at new Putnum High School | Continue existing practices. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-2b | Leaf Disposal | Dept. of Public Works, Parks Dept., School Dept., | Leaf disposal by on-site composting. | 1) Composting program on-going at DPW yard and landfill. Residents can also drop off yard waste directly at the landfill. Compost available for public through program. 2) Parks Dept. continued on-site leaf/debris composting and leaf mulching to reduce waste. 3) 8,049 tons of yard waste collected. | Continue to make program available to residents. |
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| 6-2c | Litter Reduction | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission | Reduce litter by installing "No Dumping" signs, make public waste containers available. | 1) Clean City continues its efforts to remove illegal dumping. 2) Police Dept. monitored target areas for dumping 3) 38,771 tons of waste collected through municipal pickup. 4) Repair, replace "No Dumping" signs as needed. Five (5) No Dumping signs placed at Conservation Areas. 5) Clean City responded to ~ four (4) illegal dumping sites at conservation areas and cleaned refuse. | 1) Install more signs as funding allows. 2) Continue enforcement efforts. |
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| 6-2d | Roadway Improvements | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission, Parks Dept. | Include stormwater BMPs in any improvement projects in sensitive areas. | Continued existing program, including 4-foot sumps in catch basins and requiring infiltration from new subdivisions prior to discharge into city systems. 2) deep sump catch basins installed by Water | Continue existing program. |

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| Revised | | | | and Sewer. 3) 62 catch basins were repaired/improved | |
| 6-3 | Employee Education | Dept. of Public Works | Develop training on spill prevention, recycling, hazardous waste storage, site maintenance, and illicit discharges. Perform training annually, and provide training materials to Parks Dept., School Dept., Police Dept., and Fire Dept.. | 1) Water and Sewer established Resource Conservation Committee that meets quarterly to train staff and hand out informational materials. 2) City of Springfield Stormwater Steering Committee meets regularly. 3) Water and Sewer holds extensive trainings for all employees. 4) Facilities employees trained to use non-toxic cleaning supplies and have an integrated pest management program to reduce toxics at fields and playgrounds | Conduct a training session on stormwater protection for DPW staff. |
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| 6-4a | Catch Basin Improvements | Dept. of Public Works | Maintain and upgrade catch basins as needed. | Repairs to 62 catch basins, storm manholes and catch basin laterals made. | On-going program to be maintained. |
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| 6-4b | Outlet Inspections | Dept. of Public Works | Inspect system outfalls of sewers and CSOs. | 1.) Outlets inspected as part of survey efforts. U.S. Waters inspects and monitors City combined sewer overflows (CSOs) twice per week. 2) a total of 126outfalls inspected by DPW. 3.) ~\$23 million spent in CSO separation projects over two years. | On-going program to be maintained. |
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| 6-4c | Design and Construction of BMPs | Dept. of Public Works, Water & Sewer Commission, Conservation Commission, Parks Dept. | Control sediment and improve detention areas at Briarwood and Middlesex outfalls | 1) Saint James Ave. outfall area has been topographically surveyed and submitted for design and improvements. Project awaiting funding. 2) Briarwood improvement construction completed with funding from Water & Sewer Commission. Yearly maintenance continues on sediment basins. | Complete St. James Ave. design and put construction program to bid in 2015-2016 if budget and timing allow. |
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| 6-4d | Conservation Land Improvements | Dept. of Public Works, Water & Sewer Commission, Conservation Commission | Gather data for possible improvements to drainage or pollution prevention on conservation land. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Cleanups were conducted at 4 conservation parcels. 2) Surveys conducted on 5 conservation areas. 3) Trail system for white cedar bog to be focus of SCA student trail projects summer of 2015. 4.) Logs placed at two (1) trail head after documented ATV access. 5) ATV rider caught and cited at one location by ordinance police. 6) Signs installed or replaced at four (4) sites. | Identify possible improvements to conservation land and complete as budget allows. |
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| 6-5a | Acquisition of Open Space | Conservation Commission, Parks Dept. | Acquire open space through grants and donations. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 37 separate parcels accepted by the Conservation Commission, totally ~35 acres. 2) Congressman Richard E. Neal Park and Mary Troy parks acquired and dedicated. | Continue to acquire land through donations and grants. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-5b | Park Improvements | Conservation Commission, Parks Dept. | Improve park lands, especially improvements to stormwater collection system and BMPs. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) 28.6 acres of park land acquired. Improvement projects occurred at 6 parks throughout the year. 3 BMP rain gardens installed and completed at 2 separate parks with additional planned at North Riverfront Park. | Continue improving parks as necessary as budget allows. |
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7. BMPs for Meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Waste Load Allocations (WLA)

| BMP ID # | BMP Description | Responsible Dept./Person Name | Measurable Goal(s) | Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 | Planned Activities – Future Permit |
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| 1-3a | Stormwater Matters Talk | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Presentation on stormwater will be given once per year at public event or meeting | 1.) As part of CT Stormwater Committee, we sponsored 3 stormwater pollution prevention talks at local events throughout the year and a Green Infrastructure Workshop, Vendor Fair and Stormwater Financing Workshop. 2.) One talk given to science students at Dougan Middle School about stormwater pollution. Continued water/waste water/stormwater lessons to all 5 th and 7 th graders at the Bondi's Island Treatment facility 3.) Water and Sewer implemented Rain Barrel distribution in partner with EPA Watersense Program | Schedule stormwater matters talk with neighborhood councils. Provide update on past year's efforts, identify new volunteers, and establish schedule of tasks to be accomplished. |
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| 1-5b | Stormwater Display | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission, Planning Dept. | Establish a stormwater display at DPW one month per year. | 1) Continued display of stormwater education materials in lobby of DPW and Planning Department 2) Continued participation with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) and Connecticut River Stormwater Committee, which develops stormwater education programs. Dues paid for 2014-2015 year. | 1) Continue display effort. 2) Refine and improve display as funding allows. 3) Continue participation with PVPC and Connecticut River Stormwater Committee in developing stormwater education programs. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 1-5c | Educate Local Business | Dept. of Public Works, Conservation Commission, Planning Dept. | Assess stormwater educational opportunities with Business and Industries. | 1) Conservation Commission held pre-design meetings to educate developers on the importance and cost-effectiveness of proper stormwater maintenance. Infiltration and rain garden BMP's implemented at three (3) sites subject to wetland jurisdiction, implemented pursuant to MA DEP's Stormwater Management policy 2) "Preventing Stormwater Pollution | 1) Con Comm to continue holding pre-design meetings with development project proponents. 2) Continue to educate the public through multiple media. |

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| Revised | | | | Fact Sheets” continued to be distributed to target Automotive, businesses and food industry. | |
| 1-5d | Display Materials | Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Assess existing City events for opportunities to display stormwater materials. | 1) Earth Day Cleanup 2015 identified as event for Stormwater Display. 2) Stormwater educational material display continued in lobby of DPW (see 1-5b) and City Hall. 3) Stormwater web materials made available on DPW-Engineering and Conservation Commission website | 1) Continue display effort. 2) Refine and improve display as funding allows. |
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| 2-3a | Household Hazardous Waste Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Hold Haz. Collection Day for residents to drop off materials for disposal. | 1) Advertised collection day through bill stuffers, newspaper and flyer distribution. 2) Held six collection events to limit possibility of illegal dumping of hazardous material. Approximately 7,740 gallons of hazardous materials collected | Continue to advertise and hold Hazardous Material Collection Event for households’ city wide. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 2-3e | Leaf and Yard Waste Collection | Dept. of Public Works | Maintain current leaf and brush collection program. Compost material is made available to residents. | Collection and composting program ongoing at DPW yard and landfill. Residents can also drop off brush waste directly at the landfill. 8,049 tons of yard waste composted. Free compost available for public in Spring 2015. | Continue to make program available to residents. |
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| 4-1 | Wetland Protection | Conservation Commission | Review existing regulations which require compliance with stormwater policy within wetland buffer. | 1) On-going pre-construction review of new projects for permit issuance and compliance with wetland and SWM performance standards. Three projects implemented stormwater BMPs in wetland jurisdictional areas. 2) City construction site plan requirements are available on the web. DPW requiring, to maximum extent practicable, infiltration on all new projects. No net increase in runoff post construction. 3) MA Wetland Protection Act stormwater management standards enforced by Conservation Commission. 4) 3 enforcement actions taken, restoration plans implemented following action. 5) Natural Resources Manager attained CESSWI certification | On-going review of new projects. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2a | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Evaluate Existing Plans | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Review sample regulations for other communities. Initiate discussions for ordinance establishment | Sample ordinances reviewed. | Task completed. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2b | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Develop Draft Ordinance | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Draft new wording. Educate public, officials, and the private sector. | Draft ordinance has been developed based on template from MA DEP and is undergoing further revision. This is combined with post-construction requirements in one comprehensive ordinance. | Task completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 4-2c | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Draft Available For Comment | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Float new ordinance for one-year comment period. Continue education. | Drafted and comments received | Task completed |
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| 4-2d | Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance — Passage Process | Conservation Commission, Law Dept., Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Attempt to pass ordinance, continue comment period and educate more if necessary. | Delayed pending scheduling with City Council, summer 2013. | Pass new ordinance when scheduled before council. |
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| 5-3a | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Evaluate Existing Site Plan Process | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Assess need for new bylaw/ordinance regarding maintenance of BMPs. | 1) Site plan review committee to be established after citywide revision of review process is complete. 2) Sample ordinances reviewed for use in developing draft for Springfield. | Continue discussion of Interdepartmental Site Plan Review Committee. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3b | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Develop Draft Guidelines | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Draft new wording. Educate public, officials, and the private sector. | Draft ordinance has been developed based on template from MA DEP and is undergoing further revision. Draft currently incorporated into sedimentation and erosion control ordinance. One ordinance will be created to control run off in general as well as in post-construction conditions. Formally approved by Stormwater Steering Committee. | Select appropriate strategy for Springfield and create draft ordinance. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3c | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Draft Available For Comment | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Float new bylaw for one-year comment period. Continue education. | Combined pre and post construction stormwater management ordinance approved by Springfield City Council September 2013 | Task Completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 5-3d | New Bylaw For Post-Construction Runoff — Passage Process | Conservation Commission, Dept. of Public Works, Planning Dept. | Attempt to pass bylaw, continue comment period and educate more if necessary. | Combined pre and post construction stormwater management ordinance approved by Springfield City Council September 2013 | Task Completed |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1a | Street Sweeping — Winter Cleanup | Dept. of Public Works | Sweep streets a minimum of once per year. | 1) Seasonal operation for calendar year 2014 began in April. First round for arterial and residential routes completed by the end of August. | Continue with established practices. |

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| Revised | | | | 2) 2,971 tons of debris collected during the year. 3) A total of 4,120 curb miles swept | |
| 6-1b | Street Sweeping — Ongoing | Dept. of Public Works | Re-establish normal sweeping program of 6-times per year as funding allows | 1) a total of 2,971 tons of debris collected throughout the year. | Continue established schedule and increased sweeping frequency as funding allows. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1c | TMDL Targeted Sweeping Areas | Dept. of Public Works | Loon, Long and Mona areas will receive additional sweeping | Areas swept as part of regular maintenance schedule and additional sweeping measures added. No tonnage specific to the particular area was recorded. | Implement enhanced sweeping program in 2012 if budget allows. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-1f | Assess Drainage System in TMDL Areas | Dept. of Public Works | Assess condition of catch basins and outfalls at Long Pond, Loon Pond, and Mona Lake, and consider possible improvements. | 1) continued catch basin inspection conducted near Mona Lake. | Consider further improvements to drainage systems at Long, Loon, and Mona as budgets. |
| Revised | | | | | |
| 6-2a | Existing Practices | Dept. of Public Works | Continue existing housekeeping practices to minimize stormwater pollution. | Practices continued. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recycling and reduction of hazardous materials - Salt storage within salt shed - Maintenance of drainage system BMPs - Spill prevention and cleanup procedures | Continue existing practices. |
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7b. WLA Assessment

Ongoing stormwater management requirements such as deep sumps in catch basins and infiltration practices for new developments have helped reduce stormwater and contaminant inputs to priority areas such as Loon Pond, Long Pond, and Mona Lake. Seasonal street sweeping has reached its scheduled levels for Springfield. Increased focus must be given to these TMDL areas over the coming years. As the City is anticipating the next round of NPDES permits, it is difficult to prioritize funding with the current uncertainty of regulatory requirements. Signage and catch basin marking was also lacking in this years permitting period.

Increasing street sweeping around Loon Pond, Long Pond, and Mona Lake (as required by item 6-1c) as the City's budgetary constraints ease will be a high priority.

Part IV. Summary of Information Collected and Analyzed

The past year saw an increased focus on the City's illicit discharge detection and elimination program. Over one third of the City's outfalls were inspected for dry weather flows. Through a competitive RFP process a firm was selected to carry out the analytical water quality testing of dry weather flow sites. Volunteer efforts continue to be completed from a variety of organizers including the Springfield Renaissance School, Groundwork Springfield, ReGreen Springfield, Keep Springfield Beautiful and local residents. Although considerable effort was expended last year focusing on stormwater pollution prevention, as always work remains challenging due to limited staff and budget resources. However, we were still able to complete the vast majority of goals and were able to expand certain programs. Highlights including 341 trees planted and nearly 26 tons of trash/debris/recyclables picked up on the annual Earth Day cleanup. Our Stormwater Steering Committee has continued to meet with regularity and in conjunction with the mayor's office. All new construction projects, whether in wetland jurisdiction or not, are required to incorporate infiltration BMPs and result in no net increase in runoff post construction. Stormwater BMP's continue to become commonplace in City park projects. A rain garden installation program was implemented through a grant offering technical assistance to residents. 3 project sites were selected for the installation of 5 separate rain gardens. The park department installed three rain gardens at park locations and one pilot rain garden at a local high school.

Additional actions of particular importance over the recent permitting period were: **\$23 million** dollars devoted to CSO separation projects, improving park land at Camp Wilder, Camp Star and North Riverfront Park, the acquisition of 36 acres of conservation land, comprehensive street sweeping, 753 catch basin cleaned, continued participation in the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission Regional Stormwater Committee, participating in the creation and implementation of a regional Green Infrastructure Action Plan and the actions of volunteers cleaning up our streets and open space. Many additional actions were taken over the past year including educating the public and local businesses about stormwater pollution at various events in the region. Please feel free to contact our office with additional questions or requests for copies of materials.

