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NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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Date: April 29, 2013

Part II. Self-Assessment

The City of Dover continued to implement the identified tasks in its Stormwater Phase II NPDES minimum control measures in year ten of the initial General Permit. The Best Management Practices that Dover has continued to implement include:

- Dover has completed mapping the stormwater system which was initiated prior to the NPDES permit. The City continuously updates the mapping as the system grows and as staff finds inconsistencies between maps and field inspections during catch basin cleaning. An Community Services staff member is assigned to accompany the catch basin cleaning contractor and record the conditions of each basin.
- The City held one Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day for Dover residents on September 22, 2012. This year's collection included the Towns of Rollinsford, Madbury, and Lee.
- Dover's recycling program includes weekly curbside pick up of recyclables as well the operation of a recycling center. The recycling center accepts many items including waste oil, white goods, tires, metal, C & D material, yard waste, computer monitors and other electronics, Freon containing appliances, used antifreeze and mercury containing items to reduce the waste stream and prevent the release of contaminants into the environment. The center also has a book exchange where residents can leave books for others to take. Dover's recycling rate is 52% of the waste stream, and is nationally recognized as a leader. The center accepts yard waste and accepted 1184 cubic yards. The City also conducts an annual curbside leaf collection each fall in which 160 tons were collected.
- The City Engineers review all subdivision and site plan applications before the Planning Board. Their review includes storm water plans to insure the site meets all standards during construction and upon completion of the project. All projects are required to submit storm water O&M plans to insure long-term performance of storm water infrastructure. The City Engineering inspection team continued its inspection of construction sites for temporary erosion control during construction and the implementation of permanent stabilization and run off control measures per approved design plans. An electronic tracking system was implemented to monitor compliance of private sites with their Stormwater O&M plan using a grant from the Piscataqua Region Estuary Partnership. The system will provide the City of Dover with a tool to help insure stormwater O&M's are being implemented. The system was demonstrated at the Seacoast NH Stormwater Coalition meeting in order to share the technology with the other member communities. Compliance reporting of O&M annual activities by private site owners continues to be low. The City of Dover issued letters to remind owners of their obligation in the fall one before reports were due; however most did not file reports. Limited resources at the City currently prevent more aggressive enforcement by the City.

- Funding for the catch basin cleaning program was increased in the FY 2010 budget to reflect the anticipated MS4 permit requirements of cleaning 50% of the system annually. The catch basin cleaning contractor cleaned 1050 basins during the summer and fall of 2012. The FY 2014 budget is currently under consideration by the Dover City Council and includes funding at the same level as FY2013. The 2014 budget should be enough to continue meeting the proposed EPA General Permit requirement that every catch basin is cleaned prior to the sump becoming 50% full.
- The City of Dover hosts and is an active participant in the N.H. Seacoast Storm Water Coalition. The N.H. Seacoast Storm Water Coalition has accomplished much in nine years to further the goal of improved stormwater quality. Issues such as Public awareness, training of staff, and other common needs of Coalition member communities have been worked on successfully in collaboration. The Coalition also provides a forum in which to share our individual program experiences both good and bad. The Coalition hosted two EPA presentations of the draft 2013 NH MS4 permit and will discuss comments to the draft during the comment period.
- No illicit collection were discovered during this annual reporting period.

New activities aimed to achieve improved stormwater program performance and water quality improvement include:

- The Planning Department and Engineering Division adopted amendments to Dover's Subdivision and Site Review regulations that strengthen stormwater requirements as required by the MS4 General Permit. The new regulations strongly encourage the use of Low Impact Development techniques to address stormwater runoff. The amendments require all projects that propose to disturb an acre or more to submit plans to the Planning Board for review and approval. The amendments also give the City the authority to regulate projects that have less than an acre impact that are in close proximity of sensitive ecologic areas which could be potentially impacted. The Southeast Watershed Alliance which the City of Dover is an active member, has prepared a model stormwater ordinance for all communities within the NH coastal watershed to adopt. Dover's City Manager has instructed the Planning and Community Services Departments to review the model ordinance and incorporate the concepts presented in the model into the City's requirements.
- The Berry Brook Watershed Assessment and Management Plan was finalized in 2008. Though not a part of the City's stormwater permit requirements, the efforts conducted in the Berry Brook watershed will be very useful in the implementation of anticipated requirements in future permits. Therefore, the work being done in the Berry Brook watershed is included in the permit annual report as a means of sharing with EPA and others. During the year of 2011 much was accomplished in the upper portion of the watershed. The re-establishment of more than 1000 feet of stream bed was achieved at the headwaters of Berry Brook. Two bio-swales were created to treat two areas developed areas that discharge to the new stream bed. In 2012 a gravel

wetland was constructed to provide treatment for a large shopping center parking lot and a portion of a City street runoff which feed into the newly established stream bed. A public elementary school, the Horne Street School, participated in the watershed improvements in 2011 by adding two rain gardens which infiltrate and treat the roof at the school, and a tree box filter that filter runoff from a newly paved parking area. The school will continue participating in the construction of a bio swale that will treat water from another proposed parking area off site that the City is constructing to treat street runoff in 2013. The combination of a rain garden in 2011 followed by a bio-swale was constructed in 2012 along Snows Court. The new stormwater structures infiltrate and treat more than 1.5 acres of residential and street run off that has caused nuisance flooding and erosion. The neighborhood was very engaged and supportive of the improvements in the planning of the project as well as during construction. One residential rain garden was installed which redirected roof runoff from the sanitary sewer. Roof run off is a significant source of inflow into the sewer system. In 2012 a bioswales were constructed to treat runoff from Lowell Ave and Horne St and Crescent Ave. Both bioswales were installed with automated instantaneous samplers to monitor performance. The City also provided an additional \$4,000 in sample analysis to monitor performance of the BMP's. Though the Berry Brook watershed restoration is not part of the City's MS4 commitments the work is an important project in assessing how well BMP's can restore water quality in a highly developed residential watershed which was more than 30% impervious prior.

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 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
A1 Revised	Establish Pollution Hotline	Bill Boulanger Community Services	Trained secretaries who receive calls	Received no phone complaints	Continue to advertise existence of hotline on City webpage
A2 Revised	Community Cleanup	Doug Steele Community Services	Held 10 th annual clean-up	Dover Main Street clean up, April 28, 2012	Hold 11 th Dover Pride clean-up day, April 20, 2013
A3 Revised	Educational Video	Seacoast NH Stormwater Coalition	Show on local access Converted to DVD	Video shown on numerous occasions during May 2012	Show video on local access TV.
A4 Revised	Publish Stormwater information	Community Services	Published articles and public response	Made several public presentations regarding stormwater and Berry Brook watershed restoration activities in partnership with the UNH Stormwater Center.	Engage Berry Brook watershed residents on implementation of LID techniques to disconnect impervious surface in the watershed.
A5 Revised	Pet Waste and Storm Water	Dean Peschel NHDES	Lower bacteria levels in unnamed brook	Continued to request dog owners to sign a pledge to pick up their pet's waste during the coming year when they registered their dog in April.	Continue to educate the public about pet waste storm water impacts and proper behavior
A6 Revised	Assist School in SW education	Community Services and volunteers	Make presentations in classroom	Horne St School staff was provided a block for future use on stormwater with students which was prepared by UNH Stormwater Center.	

1a. Additions

A7	Berry Brook Watershed Plan	Community Services	Improve water quality in Berry Brook	Constructed several treatment bioswales within the upper watershed and gravel wetland.	Construct additional BMP's in the watershed to disconnect additional impervious area.
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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 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
B1 Revised	Storm Stencil	Community Services	Number completed 3 events	No stenciling in 2012	
B2 Revised	Sample outfall and other structures	Community Services	Sampled Great Bay Watch sampled and analyzed storm water outfalls and structures with DPW assistance	The Seacoast Storm water Coalition met with Dr Steve Jones who is working with Sea Grant volunteers to perform outlet sampling for coalition communities. Funding was secured to start the program and the Towns of Greenland and Exeter are serving as the pilot communities for the first year of operation. Volunteers are enthusiastically participating knowing their work will be useful in identifying problem areas.	Expand the volunteer storm outlet sampling to more Seacoast Stormwater Coalition communities.
B3 Revised	Update Ordinances	Planning Steve Bird	Ordinance facilitate compliance of NPDES regulations	Dover as a member of the Great Bay Municipal Coalition and Southeast Watershed Alliance has completed development of model stormwater regulations that will be hopefully adopted by all communities in the Piscataqua watershed as a means to apply consistent standards to protect water quality.	Dover will incorporate the recommendations of the model regulations into the City's development standards.
B4 Revised	Seacoast Stormwater Coalition	Community Services	Meet cooperatively with other Seacoast NH MS4 entities	Focus group process determined nutrient removal as high priority issue for Coalition. Applied for and received grant to develop fertilization guidelines and implement with Coalition communities for public recreation fields	Several communities will implement fertilizer recommendations on their turf fields to reduce nutrients and maintain healthy recreation fields.
B5 Revised	Pet Waste Pilot Project	Community Services	Lower bacteria in surface water	Same as A5	Same as A5
B6 Revised	Berry Brook Watershed Assessment and Management Plan	City of Dover UNH NHDES	Improved habitat and water quality	Completed additional BMP's to improve water quality in 2012	Implement additional stormwater structures reducing connected impervious cover from 30% to less than 10% in the upper Berry Brook watershed.

2a. Additions

B7	Willand Pond	Planning	Water quality improvement		
B8	Add LID to zoning regulations	Planning	Better storm water management at development sites		Review existing stormwater regulation incorporating additional recommendations from the SWA model regulations that are missing from the current Dover regulations

3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
C1 Revised	Storm water System Mapping	Community Services	Have completed map of system and keep maintained	Continue collection of infrastructure condition for storm drain system. Update system map as system grows and is repaired.	Continue collection of infrastructure condition for storm drain system. Update system map as system grows and is repaired.
C2 Revised	Establish Illicit Discharge Program	Community Services	Establish Program and Implement	Removed illicit connection found on Old Dover Point Road.	Continue to look for illicit connections and remediate.
C3 Revised	Catch Basin Stenciling	Community Services	Same as B1	Same as B1	Same as B1
C4 Revised	Update City Ordinance	Community Services and Planning	Same as B3		Same as B3 and B8
C5 Revised	Secure Funding	Community Services	Find funding for programs	Received funding to continue program and carry out Berry Brook restoration	
Revised					

3a. Additions

C6	Participation in Seacoast Storm Water Coalition – development of NH IDDE Manual	Community Services	Distribution of published manual	Continued participation in Seacoast Stormwater Coalition	Continue participation in Seacoast Stormwater Coalition
C7	Include Berry Brook watershed as priority area in IDDE plan	Community Services	Remove bacterial sources	Done	

4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
D1 Revised	Review and Update Ordinances	Community Services and Planning	Have legal authority to enforce Phase II	Worked on development of model stormwater regulations as member of SWA	Incorporate recommendations from SWA proposed stormwater regulations that improve Dover's regulations
D2 Revised	Develop Inspection Program	Community Services and Planning	Site inspections to ensure compliance of Phase II	Engineering inspector inspects all sites for erosion control daily, weekly	Continue inspection program.
D3 Revised	Direct Contractors to Educations Materials	Community Services	Better compliance of BMP's	Engineering provides to developers and site contractors at pre-construction conference.	Continue to educate community.
D4 Revised	Provide City Staff Training	Community Services UNH SC	Have educated workforce	Participated in Great Bay Dialog initiated by PREP Staff attended UNH Stormwater Center seminar on LID stormwater treatment	Continue sending staff to educational opportunities regarding storm water.
Revised					
Revised					

4a. Additions

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 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
E1	Review and Update Ordinances	Community Services and Planning	Have City Ordinances that comply with Phase II requirements	Done	Same as B3 and B8
Revised					
E2	Develop and Implement O & M Plans for Private Sites	Community Services and Planning	Design and implement program which tracks maintenance	All approved site plans required to submit O & M plans to City and report annually to the City.	Continue to require O & M plans at new sites and track compliance.
Revised					
E3	Implement Inspection Program	Community Services	Insure BMP are constructed to plan	The Engineering Technician inspects all sites for proper installation of BMP prior to issuance of Certificate of Occupancy	Continue to inspect sites.
Revised					
E4	Review and Update BMP List	Community Services	Maintain BMP list	Challenge design engineers to prepare effective stormwater system designs using appropriate BMP's utilize LID where ever possible.	Continue.
Revised					
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Revised					

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 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
F1 Revised	Create Storm Drain Inspection	Community Services	Have a record of system conditions	Continued to have staff inspect structure condition during cleaning	
F2 Revised	Implement Inspection Program	Community Services	Collect data useful for prioritization of maintenance	Continued inspections while cleaning catch basins. 1234 basins cleaned and inspected in 2011	Continue inspections while cleaning catch basins
F3 Revised	Create Street Sweeping Plan	Community Services	Cleaner storm system	Continued street sweeping program.	Continue street sweeping program.
F4 Revised	Implement Catch Basin Cleaning Program	Community Services	Clean every catch basin once every 4 years	Contracted catch basin cleaning. Completed cleaning of 1050 basins.	Proposed FY14 budget includes funding
F5 Revised	Establishment of Stormwater Utility	Community Services	Reliable funding source for stormwater system	Continue to monitor the public reaction to increasing Stormwater budgets as MS4 requirements come online with anticipated permit.	None planned
		Seacoast storm water Coalition			
Revised					

6a. Additions

F6	Explore use of salt brine	Community Services	Reduce amount of salt and sand used	Have established conditions in which salt brine is effective	Continue use of salt brine in appropriate winter conditions
F7	Provide DPW staff training for Pollution Prevention/good house keeping	Seacoast Storm Water Coalition	Improve staff understanding and performance of pollution prevention	Provided DPW staff training installing LID stormwater treatment during construction of BMP's at Berry Brook	Utilize staff to install LID BMP's in Berry Brook

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

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 2 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 3
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7a. Additions

7b. WLA Assessment

Part IV. Summary of Information Collected and Analyzed

Part V. Program Outputs & Accomplishments (OPTIONAL)

Programmatic

Stormwater management position created/staffed	(y/n)	No
Annual program budget/expenditures	(\$)	\$900,000

Education, Involvement, and Training

Estimated number of residents reached by education program(s)	(# or %)	60%
Stormwater management committee established	(y/n)	No
Stream teams established or supported	(# or y/n)	
Shoreline clean-up participation or quantity of shoreline miles cleaned	(y/n or mi.)	Yes
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days		
▪ days sponsored	(#)	1
▪ community participation Dover, Madbury, Lee, and Rollinsford	(%)	138
▪ material collected	(tons or gal)	578 gal
School curricula implemented	(y/n)	No

Legal/Regulatory

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

Mapping and Illicit Discharges

Outfall mapping complete	(%)	100
Estimated or actual number of outfalls	(#)	210
System-Wide mapping complete	(%)	100
Mapping method(s)		
▪ Paper/Mylar	(%)	
▪ CADD	(%)	
▪ GIS	(%)	100
Outfalls inspected/screened	(# or %)	
Illicit discharges identified	(#)	0
Illicit connections removed	(#) (est. gpd)	0
% of population on sewer	(%)	75
% of population on septic systems	(%)	25

Construction

Number of construction starts (>1-acre)	(#)	3
Estimated percentage of construction starts adequately regulated for erosion and sediment control	(%)	100
Site inspections completed	(# or %)	100 %
Tickets/Stop work orders issued/Building Permits Withheld/Occupancy Permits Held	(# or %)	1
Fines collected	(# and \$)	N/A
Complaints/concerns received from public	(#)	0

Post-Development Stormwater Management

Estimated percentage of development/redevelopment projects adequately regulated for post-construction stormwater control	(%)	100
Site inspections completed	(# or %)	100
Estimated volume of stormwater recharged	(gpy)	

Operations and Maintenance

Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	.5
Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	.5
Total number of structures cleaned	(#)	1050
Storm drain cleaned	(LF or mi.)	0
Qty. of screenings/debris removed from storm sewer infrastructure	(lbs. or tons)	75 tons
Disposal or use of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, recycle for sand, beneficial use, etc.)		Landfill
Cost of screenings disposal	(\$)	\$12,000

Average frequency of street sweeping (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	Once/Spring
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Average frequency of street sweeping (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	Weekly
Qty. of sand/debris collected by sweeping	(lbs. or tons)	550
Disposal of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, beneficial use, etc.)	(location)	Reuse
Cost of sweepings disposal	(\$)	
Vacuum street sweepers purchased/leased	(#)	0
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 %)	N/A

Anti-/De-Icing products and ratios	% NaCl % CaCl ₂ % MgCl ₂ % CMA % Kac % KCl % Sand	
Pre-wetting techniques utilized	(y/n)	Yes
Manual control spreaders used	(y/n)	No
Automatic or Zero-velocity spreaders used	(y/n)	Yes
Estimated net reduction in typical year salt application	(lbs. or %)	
Salt pile(s) covered in storage shed(s)	(y/n)	Yes
Storage shed(s) in design or under construction	(y/n)	