

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 1 5 POST OFFICE SQUARE, SUITE 100 BOSTON, MA 02109-3912

VIA EMAIL

February 14, 2019

Lisa J. O'Donnell Chairman, Essex Board of Selectmen

And;

Paul Goodwin Superintendent of Public Works 44 Centennial Grove Road Essex, MA. 01929 pgoodwin@essexma.org

Re: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit ID #: MAR041239, Town of Essex

Dear Paul Goodwin:

The 2016 NPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems in Massachusetts (MS4 General Permit) is a jointly issued EPA-MassDEP permit. Your Notice of Intent (NOI) for coverage under this MS4 General Permit has been reviewed by EPA and appears to be complete. You are hereby granted authorization by EPA and MassDEP to discharge stormwater from your MS4 in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of the MS4 General Permit, including all relevant and applicable Appendices. This authorization to discharge expires at midnight on **June 30, 2022.**

For those permittees that certified Endangered Species Act eligibility under Criterion C in their NOI, this authorization letter also serves as EPA's concurrence with your determination that your discharges will have no effect on the listed species present in your action area, based on the information provided in your NOI.

As a reminder, your first annual report is due by **September 30, 2019** for the reporting period from May 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Information about the permit and available resources can be found on our website: https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/massachusetts-small-ms4-general-permit. Should you have any questions regarding this permit please contact Newton Tedder at tedder.newton@epa.gov or (617) 918-1038.

Sincerely,

Thelma Murphy, Chief

Stormwater and Construction Permits Section

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Office of Ecosystem Protection

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1

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