



Licking County MS4 Partners Newsletter

November 2012

Welcome to the November, 2012 edition of the newsletter.

Thanks to all of the Partners that were able to attend the program status update meeting on Monday, October 29. Your attendance and participation are greatly appreciated.

Fees

By now each entity should have received an email or letter indicating the fees your township or village will need to pay for 2013. Invoices will be sent to you after the commissioners pass a resolution reflecting each entity's amounts. Please watch for it in the near future.

Ongoing Activities:

MCM#3-Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

Completion of the first round of Dry Weather Screening (DWS) is a high priority and it is nearly accomplished (we are near the end of the fourth year of the second term of the permit). Only a few MS4 Storm outfalls remain to be visited or revisited and sampled. A list and summary of those outfalls will be sent to each community yet this year.

Villages should have a means to address and eliminate illicit discharges that may be found, particularly if they are beyond the scope of the Licking County Health Department's actions. A township's authority may be limited so we will seek guidance from the prosecuting attorney's office if any non-HSTS problems are found.

Mapping the Storm Sewer System remains a high priority item; this will help develop individual watershed maps for identified outfalls and assist with source identification where problems are found. **Partners having any mapping of storm water drainage systems (storm sewer maps) are encouraged to share those maps with us if they have not already done so.**

Data obtained from the Village of Granville and the Licking County Health Department of home septic systems (HSTS) in Granville Village and Township is helping us with the creation of a list of properties having discharging HSTSs, a requirement of IDDE.

MCM#6 - Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

Please be aware that salt stockpiles must be covered—there has been some question on this particularly since much salt was left over from last year. See OEPA Interim

Guidance for Temporary Salt Storage:

http://epa.ohio.gov/Portals/35/storm/Interim_Salt_Storage_Guidance.pdf

All of the Partnering Communities should now have at least a basic Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations (PPGHMO) plan in hand. We were able to forward copies of a generic plan, but tailored somewhat, to each of those communities not yet having a written plan. The communities of Buckeye Lake, Village of Granville, Newark Township, Newton Township, Madison Township and Union Township will also need to prepare the SWPPP for your facilities that lie within the Urbanizing Area of your MS4 community. We have prepared site plans for Madison and Newark Townships, and will assist others if requested. We understand Hebron and Village of Granville have prepared or have their Industrial SWPPP's addressed.

Etna Township has had employee training this calendar year. Other Partners are welcome to request initial training for their employees, or a refresher, if all employees had training last year. **NOTE: it is a permit requirement that all employees have training or a refresher ANNUALLY.** This is for all employees involved in outside work where storm water could be adversely affected by improper action or the lack of action, and for shop workers that get out from time to time or are responsible for a particular facility that has an SWPPP (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan).

It is each entity's own responsibility to see that they have met MCM6 obligations. Contact us if you have questions.

Urbanized Area Boundary Maps are available:

All the partnering communities will be affected with an increase or change in Urbanizing Area. Contact us for specific information. The current UA maps are available at:

<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/urbanmaps.cfm>

Upcoming Training or Informational Opportunities:

Ohio LTAP Center offers many courses of interest to townships and villages. Many are low-cost and some are free. Please check their website for courses being offered; training flyers are at:

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/LocalPrograms/LTAP/Pages/TrainingCourseFlyers.aspx>

Review the Program and its Six Minimum Control Measures:

The SWMP (Storm Water Management Program) is based on six "Minimum Control Measures" or MCMs:

1. Public Education and Outreach
2. Public Participation and Involvement
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)

4. Construction Site Runoff Control
5. Post-Construction Runoff Control
6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

Much information on these MCMs is found at:

<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/munic.cfm>

Information on the Ohio-specific MS4 Program is at:

http://epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/ms4_index.aspx You will need to select the Municipal MS4 tab, and then see the topics available.

Ongoing implementation of the above MCMs is critical to the success of the Partnership's SWMP and to keep in compliance with our Small MS4 Permit.

Each Partner should look for opportunities to expand their implementation of educational activities and encourage public participation in your village or township to help keep in compliance with the Storm Water Management Program. Please document activities you host, sponsor, or are otherwise involved with, along with numbers of participants.

The last word:

The Office of the Licking County Engineer is here to help you meet obligations and requirements of the Permit and the Partner's SWMP, particularly Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination. **It remains each entity's responsibility to be actively involved and to insure each MCM is locally (Township or Village) addressed to a satisfactory level that meets the goals of the Program.**

Please share information about your community's activities or accomplishments with the entire group so we may all benefit by that knowledge. Most of the Partners can be contacted by using the email address associated with this Newsletter's distribution.

Send comments, contact, personnel and address changes (please include email addresses), or Program suggestions to Dan Blatter (dblatter@lcounty.com) Office of Licking Co. Engineer, 20 S. 2nd St., Newark OH 43055. Office direct phone: 740/670-5297.
