

Application for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Awards Phase II

Instructions

- Application must be completed in one sitting. You cannot save and return to this page at a later time. To save time, please have your responses ready to input into the text fields below.
- All questions are required, except for the Innovations Section, so please do not skip ahead. If a question remains unanswered when you hit "SUBMIT" below, a **red asterisk*** will indicate the questions still awaiting a response.
- Superscript^(ex of superscript) refers to supporting document (SD) providing additional clarification as needed. Click on the superscript hyperlink to access this content in a new tab.
- You will receive a confirmation email upon submittal of completed application sent to the email address provided in the "General Information" section below. Please hold onto this message and save for your records.
- If you have any questions please send an email to MS4Awards@wef.org or call 703-684-2400 x7010.

Submitter Contact Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
 Title: _____
 Organization: _____
 Address 1: _____
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 City: _____
 State: Louisiana ZIP: _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

General Information

1. Please specify population served (XX,XXX):

2. Location:

3. Permit Details(Permit Number, Effective and Expiration Dates):

4. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permitting Authority:

5. Does your state have additional requirements that you have to comply with, in addition to Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) requirements?

Yes No

If yes, Please specify them based on Minimum Control Measures (MCMs).

6. Please provide the web links to your permit, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)and/or Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP), and Annual Report:

7. To the best of my knowledge, the information presented in this application is accurate and currently, our community/MS4 is in good standing* with the NPDES permitting authority:

**Good standing refers to complete compliance with the permit requirements, and no current administrative orders or violations. If there are any past administrative orders/violations, corrective action has been initiated.*

I Agree I Disagree

If Disagree, please document any violations, administrative orders, etc.

8. MCM 1: Public Education and Outreach

Measurable Parameter	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing
Pet waste management				Completed Ongoing

Disposal of household hazardous waste				Completed	Ongoing
Lawn and Garden care				Completed	Ongoing
Rain Barrel Program				Completed	Ongoing
Used Oil Recycling				Completed	Ongoing
Automotive maintenance				Completed	Ongoing
Green Certification of Businesses				Completed	Ongoing
Low Impact Development				Completed	Ongoing
Public Service Announcement				Completed	Ongoing
Stormwater website				Completed	Ongoing
Stormwater citizen panel				Completed	Ongoing
Others				Completed	Ongoing
Public Outreach to					
Home owners				Completed	Ongoing
Businesses				Completed	Ongoing
Students/Teachers				Completed	Ongoing
Minorities/Disadvantaged communities				Completed	Ongoing
Others 1 (Optional)				Completed	Ongoing
Others 2 (Optional)				Completed	Ongoing
Partnerships					
Watershed groups				Completed	Ongoing

8(a). How do you evaluate the effectiveness of your outreach activities? Have you conducted any public awareness surveys?

Required. Limit 700 characters.

8(b). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM1 that is not already captured above? Please describe.

Required. Limit 1000 characters.

9. MCM 2: Public Participation and Involvement

Measurable Parameter	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing	
Stream walks				Completed	Ongoing
Adopt-A-Stream				Completed	Ongoing
Stormwater hotlines				Completed	Ongoing
Stakeholder involvement				Completed	Ongoing
Storm drain					

stenciling				Completed	Ongoing
Stream cleanup				Completed	Ongoing
Wetland plantings				Completed	Ongoing
Tree restoration program				Completed	Ongoing
Water quality monitoring (by voluntary citizen groups/public)				Completed	Ongoing
Others 1(Optional)				Completed	Ongoing
Others 2(Optional)				Completed	Ongoing

9(a). What is the level of stakeholder involvement in planning, design and implementation of your MS4 programs? Provide examples.

Required. Limit 700 characters.

9(b). What opportunities do you provide the public to review and comment on any changes to the Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) that is not listed above? Please list them.

Required. Limit 700 characters.

9(c). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM2 that is not already captured above? Please describe.

Required. Limit 1000 characters.

10. MCM 3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) (1-SD)

Measurable Parameter	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing
Ordinance <u>(2-SD)</u>				Completed Ongoing
Identify illicit connections				Completed Ongoing
Illegal dumping				Completed Ongoing
Citizen watch groups				Completed Ongoing*
Storm sewer system map				Completed Ongoing
Recycling program for hazardous wastes				Completed Ongoing
Others 1 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing
Others 2 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing

10(a). Do you have a database (or other method) to track locations of illicit discharges, spills, and illegal dumping?

Required. Limit 700 characters.

10(b). Describe the parameters of your IDDE program. Include any ongoing studies, monitoring, mapping details.

Required. Limit 700 characters.

10(c). What enforcement mechanisms are authorized in the event of an illicit discharge being detected?*Required. Limit 700 characters.***10(d). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM3 that is not already captured above? Please describe.***Required. Limit 1000 characters.***11. MCM 4: Construction Site Runoff Control**

Measurable Parameter	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing
Regulatory Mechanism (ordinance (3-SD)) for construction sites with land disturbance of greater than or equal to 1 acre				Completed Ongoing
Site plan review				Completed Ongoing
BMP Inspection & Monitoring Program				Completed Ongoing
Contractor certification & Training				Completed Ongoing
Spill prevention & control plan				Completed Ongoing
Updated design manual for effective Erosion & Sediment (E&S) control (easily accessible)				Completed Ongoing
Approved Product List				Completed Ongoing
Others 1 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing
Others 2 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing

11(a). Describe your system for tracking construction plans, active construction projects, inspections, and enforcement actions.*Required. Limit 700 characters.***11(b). Do you have a robust inspection & monitoring program? Please describe the performance of your inspection & monitoring program. [\(4-SD\)](#)***Required. Limit 700 characters.***11(c). Does your program review its own site plans OR do you use other entities (such as local soil conservation entity) to handle this?***Required. Limit 700 characters.*

11(d). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM4 that is not already captured above? Please describe.

Required. Limit 1000 characters.

12. MCM 5: Post-Construction Runoff Control

Measurable Parameter	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing
Ordinance ^(5-SD)				Completed Ongoing
Post-construction plan review process				Completed Ongoing
Approved Product List				Completed Ongoing
Current Design Manual ^(6-SD)				Completed Ongoing
BMP Inspection & Maintenance				Completed Ongoing
Certification & Training Program				Completed Ongoing
Other 1 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing
Other 2 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing

12(a). Is there any plan review coordination with other city departments such as smart growth, redevelopment, traffic engineering, etc.?

Required. Limit 700 characters.

12(b). Please describe your BMP Inspection and Maintenance Program.

Required. Limit 700 characters.

12(c). If you are subject to a performance standard, specify whether it is a permit requirement or a state-wide requirement and whether or not it includes both redevelopment and new development? Are the requirements for new and redevelopment the same or do they differ?

Required. Limit 700 characters.

12(d). Do you have a numeric volume retention standard(s)? What is the standard?

Required. Limit 700 characters.

12(e). Is stream protection/restoration program a part of post-construction efforts? Please describe.

Required. Limit 700 characters.

12(f). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM5 that is not already captured above? Please describe.

Required. Limit 1000 characters.

13. MCM 6: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping

Measurable	Applicable?	BMP/Activity	Measurable Goals	Completed/Ongoing
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Parameter				
Employee training				Completed Ongoing
Operation & Maintenance(O&M) plan to reduce pollutant runoff from municipal operations				Completed Ongoing
Storm drain system cleaning				Completed Ongoing
Integrated pest management				Completed Ongoing
Materials management				Completed Ongoing
Hazardous materials storage				Completed Ongoing
Vehicle washing				Completed Ongoing
Street cleaning				Completed Ongoing
Other 1 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing
Other 2 (Optional)				Completed Ongoing

13(a). Is there anything else you would like for us to evaluate about your program for MCM6 that is not already captured above? Please describe.

Required. Limit 1000 characters.

Innovation

In your responses, please indicate which items are required by permit and which items go above and beyond permit requirements. All responses are optional in case they do not apply.

List any innovative stormwater management techniques and Green Infrastructure (GI) approaches that you have implemented in your community that has helped in controlling stormwater pollution.

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

Please indicate if your community is dealing with any extra-challenging or unique issues/situations [\(7-SD\)](#) and what measures are you taking to overcome them?

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

14. Program Management

14(a). Total Maximum Daily Loads

- **Does your program address TMDL to further control MS4 discharges? If yes, please describe.**
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.
- **Briefly state the impaired water(s) to which your MS4 discharges, including the pollutants of concern and any TMDLs and WLAs associated with the identified waterbodies. Does your SWMP include programs or BMPs to specifically address reducing the POCs causing the impairments, including source control? Please describe.**
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

14(b). Financing/Funding

- **Has your community been successful in implementing alternatives [\(8-SD\)](#) to traditional funding mechanisms, in order to reduce burden on public sector? Please describe your innovative approach in detail.**
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

- **Do you offer financial incentives^(9-SD) to support post-construction stormwater goals? If yes, please provide examples.**
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

15. Policy and Culture

15(a). Has your community reviewed and made changes^(10-SD) to applicable codes and regulations for opportunities to encourage the use of LID practices and GI techniques for effective stormwater management. If yes, please describe the changes made and any new policy/code adopted to foster such innovative technologies.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

15(b). Have you sponsored or participated in a LID/GI competition OR managed a green infrastructure work training program?
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

15(c). Do you have a capital improvement program for stormwater infrastructure? Provide details.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

15(d). Do you have a voluntary grant or similar urban stormwater retrofit program?
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

16. Research on Efficacy

16(a). Describe how your program is innovative in measuring the performance of stormwater runoff controls implemented.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

16(b). What is your community's approach to track the overall performance of your MS4 program? Approaches to evaluation of stormwater program effectiveness may include basic verification of compliance with regulatory assessments to assessing changes in knowledge and behavior to detecting changes in receiving water quality (specific water quality goals).
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

17. Monitoring Program

17(a). Please describe any monitoring programs that go beyond MS4 permit requirements.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

17(b). Please provide any details on water quality improvements.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

17(c). Have you made any changes to the monitoring program based on past results and experiences? Please describe.
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

17(d). Are monitoring data used to estimate pollutant loads for a TMDL?
Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

18. Inter-departmental coordination

8(a). Stormwater infrastructure crosses over many sectors and departments such as transportation, streets and roads, parks and recreation, and wastewater utilities etc. Please state the level of interdepartmental coordination/collaboration (low, med, high). Provide examples.

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

19. Qualified Stormwater Professionals

19(a). Are qualified design, construction, and inspection and maintenance professionals being used in your program? If yes, provide certification requirements and examples of professionals currently being used.

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

19(b). Does your municipality have in-house design, construction, and inspection and maintenance professionals, or does it hire consultants? Is obtaining proper certification for such professionals a state requirement? If not, does your MS4 require or encourage certification of either in-house professionals or hired consultants?

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.

19(c). Do you provide or support training to ensure successful installation of stormwater infrastructure? If yes, please describe in detail.

Optional. Limit 1000 characters.