Year 1 Annual Report New Hampshire Small MS4 General Permit Reporting Period: May 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

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Part I: Contact Information

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EPA NPDES Permit Number:	NHR041027	

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Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) Information

SWMP Location (web address): http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/files/dpw/2019SWMPfinal.pdf

Date SWMP was Last Updated: June 30, 2019

If the SWMP is not available on the web please provide the physical address and an explanation of why it is not posted on the web:

Part II: Self-Assessment

First, in the box below, select the impairment(s) and/or TMDL(s) that are applicable to your MS4.

<u>ut(s)</u>			
Bacteria/Pathogens	🛛 Chloride	🛛 Nitrogen	Phosphorus
Solids/ Oil/ Grease (Hydrocarbons)/ Metals			
🖾 Bacteria/ Pathogens	Chloride	Lake and F	Pond Phosphorus
		C	lear Impairments and TMDLs
	☐ Bacteria/Pathogens ⊠ Solids/ Oil/ Grease (Hyd	 □ Bacteria/Pathogens □ Chloride □ Solids/ Oil/ Grease (Hydrocarbons)/ Metals 	 □ Bacteria/Pathogens □ Solids/ Oil/ Grease (Hydrocarbons)/ Metals □ Bacteria/ Pathogens □ Chloride □ Lake and F

Next, check off all requirements below that have been completed. **By checking each box you are certifying that you have completed that permit requirement fully.** If you have not completed a requirement leave the box unchecked. Additional information will be requested in later sections.

Year 1 Requirements

- Develop and begin public education and outreach program
- ☑ Identify and develop inventory of all known locations where SSOs have discharged to the MS4 in the last 5 years
 - \bigcirc The SSO inventory is attached to the email submission
 - The SSO inventory can be found at the following website:

http://files.cityofportsmouth.com/files/dpw/2019SWMPfinal.pdf

- Develop written IDDE plan including a procedure for screening and sampling outfalls
- ☑ IDDE ordinance complete
- ☑ Identify each outfall and interconnection discharging from MS4, classify into the relevant category, and priority rank each catchment for investigation
 - The priority ranking of outfalls/interconnections is attached to the email submission
 - The priority ranking of outfalls/interconnections can be found at the following website:

See IDDE Plan attached to the SWMP at the web site referenced above

Construction/ Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) ordinance complete (See item #1 below)

Develop written procedures for site inspections and enforcement of sediment and erosion control measures

Develop written procedures for site plan review (See item #2 below)

- Keep a log of catch basins cleaned or inspected
- Complete inspection of all stormwater treatment structures.

Annual Requirements

- Annual opportunity for public participation in review and implementation of SWMP
- Comply with State Public Notice requirements (see item #3 below)
- Keep records relating to the permit available for 5 years and make available to the public

- ☑ Properly store and dispose of catch basin cleanings and street sweepings so they do not discharge to receiving waters
- Annual training to employees involved in IDDE program (See item #4 below)
- All curbed roadways have been swept a minimum of one time per year

Bacteria/ Pathogens (Combination of Impaired Waters Requirements and TMDL Requirements as Applicable)

Annual Requirements

Public Education and Outreach*

- Annual message encouraging the proper management of pet waste, including noting any existing ordinances where appropriate
- Permittee or its agents disseminate educational material to dog owners at the time of issuance or renewal of dog license, or other appropriate time
- □ Provide information to owners of septic systems about proper maintenance in any catchment that discharges to a water body impaired for bacteria

* Public education messages can be combined with other public education requirements as applicable (see Appendix H and F for more information)

Chloride Impairment

Annual Requirements

- Public Education and Outreach
- □ Include an annual message in November/ December to private road salt applicators and commercial industrial site owners on the proper storage and application rates of winter deicing material, along with the steps that can be taken to minimize salt use and protect local waterbodies (See Item #6 below)

Nitrogen Impairment

Annual Requirements

Public Education and Outreach*

- Distribute an annual message in the spring (April/May) that encourages the proper use and disposal of grass clippings and encourages the proper use of slow-release fertilizers- (see item #7 below).
- Distribute an annual message in the summer (June/July) encouraging the proper management of pet waste, including noting any existing ordinances where appropriate-(done in Spring)
- Distribute an annual message in the fall (August/September/October) encouraging the proper disposal of leaf litter- (done in fall 2019)

* Public education messages can be combined with other public education requirements as applicable (see Appendix H and F for more information)

Good Housekeeping and Pollution Prevention for Permittee Owned Operations

Increase street sweeping frequency of all municipal owned streets and parking lots subject to Permit part 2.3.7.1.d.iii to a minimum of two times per year (spring and fall). See item #8 below.

Potential structural BMPs

Any structural BMPs listed in Table 3 of Attachment 1 to Appendix H already existing or installed in the regulated area by the permittee or its agents shall be tracked and the permittee shall estimate the nitrogen removal by the BMP consistent with Attachment 1 to Appendix H. Document the BMP type, total area treated by the BMP, the design storage volume of the BMP and the estimated nitrogen removed in mass per year by the BMP in each annual report (see Item #9 below)

Solids, Oil and Grease (Hydrocarbons), or Metals Impairments

Annual Requirements

Good Housekeeping and Pollution Prevention for Permittee Owned Operations

Increase street sweeping frequency of all municipal owned streets and parking lots to a schedule to target
areas with potential for high pollutant loads (see item #10 below)

□ Prioritize inspection and maintenance for catch basins to ensure that no sump shall be more than 50 percent full; Clean catch basins more frequently if inspection (see item #10 below)

Use the box below to input additional details on any unchecked boxes above or any additional information you would like to share as part of your self-assessment:

Self-Assessment Notes / Additional Details:

- 1. The City performs routine site inspections on construction projects and records observations. The City plans to update the written inspection procedures along with any necessary regulation or ordinance updates in Year 2.
- 2. The City follows a rigorous site plan review process including use of a Technical Advisory Committee for all major development applications. The City has written procedures and plans to update them as part of the planned Site Plan regulation updates to be done in Year 2.
- 3. The City posted its SWMP and other stormwater information on its web site and plans to hold a public informational meeting later in the fall of 2019 that will be publicly noticed consistent with NH Public Notice Statutes.
- 4. The City anticipates including IDDE training topics into its year 2 training program.
- 5. The City is still in the process of mapping all of its curbed streets and developing its stormwater BMP inventory.
- 6. The City anticipates disseminating Salt Reduction public education message in Year 3 as part of the planned Salt Reduction Plan.
- 7. The lawn care/ fertilizer public education message is expected to be disseminated in the Spring of 2020.
- 8. Although most of downtown area streets are swept multiple times throughout the year, the City is in the process of mapping its curbed streets and identifying which streets are subject to the additional sweeping requirements.
- 9. The City plans to compile potential nitrogen load reduction estimates for various stormwater BMPs as it develops its Nitrogen Source Identification Plan for year 4.
- 10. Although the City sweeps many of its streets especially downtown area on a frequent basis and many on a weekly basis, the City is still in the process of mapping which streets and catch basins are subject to increased sweeping or cleaning and which should be given higher priority to address this impairment.

Part III: Receiving Waters/Impaired Waters/TMDL

Have you made any changes to your lists of receiving waters, outfalls, or impairments since the NOI was submitted?

Yes 🗵 No 🗖

If yes, describe below, including any relevant impairments or TMDLs:

Added nitrogen impairment to Back Channel consistent with EPA's letter of authorization and its partial approval of the state's 2016 303(d) impaired waters list with the exception of certain coastal water assessment units.

Part IV: Minimum Control Measures

Please fill out all of the metrics below. If applicable, include in the description who completed the task if completed by a third party.

MCM1: Public Education

Number of educational messages completed during the reporting period: 1

Below, report on the educational messages completed during the first year. For the measurable goal(s) please describe the method/measures used to assess the overall effectiveness of the educational program.

BMP 1-1: Pet Waste Educational Post Cards / Signage

Message Description and Distribution Method:

The City distributed 1,500 pet waste post cards at City Clerk's office during the dog licensing renewal period and posted similar flyers various locations throughout the City to encourage residents to cleanup and properly dispose pet waste. The City has one dog park and several parks frequently used by dog owners.

Targeted Audience: Residents

Responsible Department/Parties: DPW Operations/Parks and Recreation

Measurable Goal(s):

Reduce the number of observed incidences where dog waste is left on the ground in public places where dog walking is allowed.

Message Date(s): *Annually March/April (dog license renewal period)*

Message Completed for:	Appendix F Requirements 🖂	Appendix H Requirements
Was this message different	than what was proposed in your	NOI? Yes 🗌 No 🖾
If yes, describe why the ch	ange was made:	

MCM2: Public Participation

Describe the opportunity provided for public involvement in the development of the Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) during the reporting period:

The SWMP has been posted on City's DPW Stormwater web site and has been made available to the public for review. As changes are made over time, the revised SWMP will be reposted for public review.

Was this opportunity different than what was proposed in your NOI? Yes \Box No \boxtimes

Describe any other public involvement or participation opportunities conducted during the reporting period:

The City's online "Click and Fix" system allows residents to submit comments on stormwater or any other related issues in the City. Comments may include any observed blockages, backups, illicit discharges, violations, or other concerns. City staff perform follow up site visits and conduct any necessary maintenance in response.

MCM3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)

Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs)

Below, report on the number of SSOs identified in the MS4 system and removed during this reporting period.

Number of SSOs identified:

Number of SSOs removed*:

8 8

*These SSO's primarily occurred as a result of temporary blockages from grease or rags and the blockages were cleaned and service restored.

Below, report on the total number of SSOs identified in the MS4 system and removed to date. At a minimum, report SSOs identified since 2013.

34

Total number of SSOs identified:

Total number of SSOs removed*: 34

*These SSO's primarily occurred as a result of temporary blockages or inadvertent damage during construction periods, and the source/cause of these SSO's have been rectified and service restored.

MS4 System Mapping

Describe the status of your MS4 map, including any progress made during the reporting period:

The City has developed a map of its stormwater outfalls and its stormwater drainage infrastructure. The map continues to be updated as more field inspection data is collected. This map has been posted on the City's DPW web site.

Screening of Outfalls/Interconnections

If conducted, please submit any outfall monitoring results from this reporting period. Outfall monitoring results should include the date, outfall/interconnection identifier, location, weather conditions at time of sampling, precipitation in previous 48 hours, field screening parameter results, and results from all analyses.

 \bigcirc The outfall screening data is attached to the email submission

 \bigcirc The outfall screening data can be found at the following website:

Dry Weather screening has only recently begun, and the resulting data will be reported in next year's Annual Report

Below, report on the number of outfalls/interconnections screened during this reporting period.

Number of outfalls screened:

na

Below, report on the percent of total outfalls/interconnections screened to date.

Percent of total outfalls screened: na

Catchment Investigations

If conducted, please submit all data collected during this reporting period as part of the dry and wet weather investigations. Also include the presence or absence of System Vulnerability Factors for each catchment.

 \bigcirc The catchment investigation data is attached to the email submission

 \bigcirc The catchment investigation data can be found at the following website:

Dry Weather screening has only recently begun, and the resulting data will be reported in next Annual Report.

Below, report on the number of catchment investigations completed during this reporting period.

Number of catchment investigations completed this reporting period:

0

Below, report on the percent of catchments investigated to date.

Percent of total catchments investigated: 0

Optional: Provide any additional information for clarity regarding the catchment investigations below:

IDDE Progress

If illicit discharges were found, please submit a document describing work conducted over this reporting period, and cumulative to date, including location source; description of the discharge; method of discovery; date of discovery; and date of elimination, mitigation, or enforcement OR planned corrective measures and schedule of removal.

 \bigcirc The illicit discharge removal report is attached to the email submission

○ The illicit discharge removal report can be found at the following website:

Dry Weather screening has only recently begun, and the resulting data will be reported in next Annual Report

Below, report on the number of illicit discharges identified and removed, along with the volume of sewage removed during this reporting period.

Number of illicit discharges identified:	0	
Number of illicit discharges removed:	0	
Estimated volume of sewage removed:		[UNITS]

0

Below, report on the total number of illicit discharges identified and removed to date. At a minimum, report on the number of illicit discharges identified and removed since the effective date of the permit.

Total number of illicit discharges identified: 0

Total number of illicit discharges removed:

Optional: Provide any additional information for clarity regarding illicit discharges identified, removed, or planned to be removed below:

Employee Training

Describe the frequency and type of employee training conducted during the reporting period:

Outfall screening and sampling training assistance has been provided to DPW field personnel who are involved with outfall screening work. Additional training is anticipated to other DPW employees in the coming years.

MCM4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

Below, report on the construction site plan reviews, inspections, and enforcement actions completed during this reporting period.

Number of site plan reviews completed:		30	
Number of inspections completed:	30		
Number of enforcement actions taken:	0		

MCM5: Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment

Ordinance Development

Describe the status of the post-construction ordinance required to be complete in year 2 of the permit term:

The City has stormwater management requirements in its current Site Plan and Subdivision regulations but also plans to update these regulations in 2020 to be consistent with the MS4 permit requirements.

As-built Drawings

Describe the status of the measures the MS4 has utilized to require the submission of as-built drawings and ensure long term operation and maintenance of completed construction sites required to be complete in year 2 of the permit term:

The City already requires submittal of As-built drawings following completion of a project but will be reviewing and updating its current regulations, if necessary, to be consistent with the MS4 Permit requirements.

Street Design and Parking Lots Report

Describe the status of the street design and parking lots assessment due in year 4 of the permit term, including any planned or completed changes to local regulations and guidelines:

This assessment and report will be completed in Year 4.

Green Infrastructure Report

Describe the status of the green infrastructure report due in year 4 of the permit term, including the findings and progress towards making the practice allowable:

The Green Infrastructure Report will be completed in Year 4.

<u>Retrofit Properties Inventory</u>

Describe the status of the inventory, due in year 4 of the permit term, of permittee-owned properties that could be modified or retrofitted with BMPs to mitigate impervious areas and report on any properties that have been modified or retrofitted:

The assessment of City property for BMP retrofit potential will be completed in Year 4.

MCM6: Good Housekeeping

Catch Basin Cleaning

Describe the status of the catch basin cleaning optimization plan:

A catch basin cleaning optimization plan is still in the development phase as additional catch basin clearing data is being evaluated.

If complete, attach the catch basin cleaning optimization plan or the schedule to gather information to develop the optimization plan:

 \bigcirc The catch basin cleaning optimization plan or schedule is attached to the email submission

C The catch basin cleaning optimization plan or schedule can be found at the following website:

Below, report on the number of catch basins inspected and cleaned, along with the total volume of material removed from the catch basins during this reporting period.

1010

Number of catch basins inspected:

Number of catch basins cleaned: 1010

Total volume or mass of material removed from all catch basins: 322 Tons

Below, report on the total number of catch basins in the MS4 system, if known.

Total number of catch basins: 2670

If applicable:

Report on the actions taken if a catch basin sump is more than 50% full during two consecutive routine inspections/cleaning events:

This information is anticipated to be provided in the Year 2 Annual Report.

Street Sweeping

Procedures for sweeping streets and municipal-owned lots:

City has plan with 20 routes, the driver goes through routes 1-20, and repeats up to 4 times a year. The downtown route is swept every day.

Report on street sweeping completed during the reporting period using one of the three metrics below.

⊠ Number of miles cleaned: ~790 miles

○ Volume of material removed: [UNITS]

Weight of material removed: **320 tons**

Winter Road Maintenance

Describe the status of the written procedures for winter road maintenance including the storage of salt and sand:

The City plans to develop written procedures for winter maintenance by year 3 of the permit.

Inventory of Permittee-Owned Properties

Describe the status of the inventory, due in year 2 of the permit term, of permittee-owned properties, including parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, and vehicles and equipment, and include any updates:

The City has developed an initial Draft O&M Plan that contains an inventory of City-owned properties, buildings, parks and open spaces and vehicles and equipment. The O&M Plan is anticipated to be completed by the end of June 2020.

O&M Procedures for Parks and Open Spaces, Buildings and Facilities, and Vehicles and Equipment

Describe the status of the operation and maintenance procedures, due in year 2 of the permit term, of permittee-owned properties (parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, vehicles and equipment) and include maintenance activities associated with each:

See response to the above question

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

Describe the status of any SWPPP, due in year 2 of the permit term, for permittee-owned or operated facilities including maintenance garages, public works yards, transfer stations, and other waste handling facilities where pollutants are exposed to stormwater:

The City is in the final design process for a new DPW Facility / Transfer Station and plans to start construction in 2020 and anticipates completing a SWPPP for the new facility in late 2020 or first half of 2021 (year 3).

Below, report on the number of site inspections for facilities that require a SWPPP completed during this reporting period.

Number of site inspections completed:

N/A

Describe any corrective actions taken at a facility with a SWPPP:

Not Applicable at this time

O&M Procedures for Stormwater Treatment Structures

Describe the status of the written procedure for stormwater treatment structure maintenance:

These procedures are being developed in DRAFT the O&M Plan and will be included in Final O&M in year 2.

Monitoring or Study Results

Additional Information

Results from any other stormwater or receiving water quality monitoring or studies conducted during the reporting period not otherwise mentioned above, where the data is being used to inform permit compliance or permit effectiveness must be attached.

⊠Not applicable

 \bigcirc The results from additional reports or studies are attached to the email submission

 \bigcirc The results from additional reports or studies can be found at the following website(s):

If such monitoring or studies were conducted on your behalf or if monitoring or studies conducted by other entities were reported to you, a brief description of the type of information gathered or received shall be described below:

Additional Information

Optional: Enter any additional information relevant to your stormwater management program implementation during the reporting period. Include any BMP modifications made by the MS4 if not already discussed above:

The City participates in Seacoast Stormwater Coalition Monthly Meetings

Activities Planned for Next Reporting Period

Please confirm that your SWMP has been, or will be, updated to comply with all applicable permit requirements including but not limited to the year 2 requirements summarized below. (Note: impaired waters and TMDL requirements are not listed below)

Yes, I agree 🖾

- Complete system mapping Phase I
- Begin investigations of catchments associated with Problem Outfalls
- Develop or modify an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism for post-construction stormwater runoff from new development and redevelopment
- Establish and implement written procedures to require the submission of as-built drawings no later than two years after the completion of construction projects
- Develop, if not already developed, written operations and maintenance procedures
- Develop an inventory of all permittee owned facilities in the categories of parks and open space, buildings and facilities, and vehicles and equipment; review annually and update as necessary
- Establish a written program detailing the activities and procedures the permittee will implement so that the MS4 infrastructure is maintained in a timely manner
- Develop and implement a written SWPPP for maintenance garages, public works yards, transfer stations, and other waste handling facilities where pollutants are exposed to stormwater
- Enclose or cover storage piles of salt or piles containing salt used for deicing or other purposes
- Develop, if not already developed, written procedures for sweeping streets and municipal-owned lots
- Develop, if not already developed, written procedures for winter road maintenance including storage of salt and sand
- Develop, if not already developed, a schedule for catch basin cleaning
- Develop, if not already developed, a written procedure for stormwater treatment structure maintenance

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• Develop a written catchment investigation procedure (18 months)

Annual Requirements

- Annual report submitted and available to the public
- Annual opportunity for public participation in review and implementation of SWMP
- Keep records relating to the permit available for 5 years and make available to the public
- Properly store and dispose of catch basin cleanings and street sweepings so they do not discharge to receiving waters
- Annual training to employees involved in IDDE program
- Update inventory of all known locations where SSOs have discharged to the MS4 in the last 5 years
- Continue public education and outreach program
- Implement procedures for sweeping streets and municipal-owned lots
- Implement procedures for winter road maintenance
- Update outfall and interconnection inventory and priority ranking and include data collected in connection with the dry weather screening and other relevant inspections conducted
- Implement IDDE program
- Review site plans of construction sites as part of the construction stormwater runoff control program
- Conduct site inspection of construction sites as necessary
- Inspect and maintain stormwater treatment structures
- Log catch basins cleaned or inspected
- Sweep all uncurbed streets at least annually

Provide any additional details on activities planned for permit year 2 below:

Part V: Certification of Small MS4 Annual Report 2019

40 CFR 144.32(d) Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, I certify that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Name:	John P. Bohenko	Title:	City Manager
	[Signatory may be a duly authorized representative]	Date:	9-30-19

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Annual Report Submission

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