

BEDFORD PUBLIC WORKS



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RE: NPDES Phase II Permit Number NHR041036 – Annual Update

To whom it may concern:

Included herewith, please find the Town of Bedford's annual update as required under the NPDES Storm Water Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James B. Stanford", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

James B. Stanford, P.E.
Director of Public Works

Municipality/Organization: Town of Bedford, NH

EPA NPDES Permit Number: NHR041036

MaDEP Transmittal Number: N/A

Annual Report Number

& Reporting Period: No. 3: March 05-March 06

NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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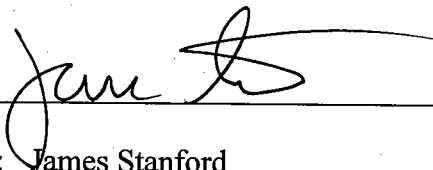
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Signature:



Printed Name: James Stanford

Title: Director of Public Works

Date: 4-27-06

Part II. Self-Assessment

The Town of Bedford, NH has completed the required self-assessment and has determined that our municipality is in compliance with all permit conditions, except for the following provisions:

Part I.B.2(e)(vi)

The Town of Bedford, NH permit eligibility with regard to the Endangered Species Act was pending at the time of our NOI submission. At this point the Town has not completed our town-wide system mapping and this item is still pending. It is expected that mapping will be fully completed during year 4 of the permit.

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 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
1-1	Maintain storm water Info and links on Town of Bedford website	DPW/ J. Stanford	Review and update each year; add reference links to NHDES storm water site	The Town of Bedford launched a new website in 2006 and added related links under the Public Works portion of the web-page.	Update links as necessary
Revised					
1-2	Publish info on storm-water program and practices in local newspapers	DPW/ J. Stanford	Publish articles each year in town bulletin and local newspapers	Publication was not sent due to elimination of Town Bulletin funding.	Will have related articles in fall/winter 2006 publication.
Revised			Town Bulletin was eliminated in 2004, but new quarterly publication is in place for 2006		
1-3	Broadcast Public meetings (see BMP 2-2)	DPW/ J. Stanford	1 meeting per year	The group meets every 2 months to share information, but these meetings have not been broadcasted. Permit requirements were discussed several times and broadcasted at PB meetings.	Continue discussions during Planning Board meetings: Include BMP 1-4
Revised					
1-4					
Revised					

1a. Additions

1-4	Annual Town Fair – display maintenance equipment and handout stormwater related materials	DPW/ J. Stanford	1 time each year in late spring	Equipment was on display however publications and handouts were not ready for distribution.	Continue with display – distribute materials
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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 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
2-1	Conduct public meetings on storm water program and solicit public feedback	DPW/ J. Stanford	Conduct 4 meetings over the 5-year permit term	Worked on developing a program among the communities within our stormwater group.	Conduct first meeting
Revised			Conduct 2 meetings between year 4 and 5		
2-2	Establish a storm water management group to oversee the storm water management program	DPW/ J. Stanford	Establish group of volunteers during the first 2 years – include residents on group	The Stormwater group has been established with several other communities in Southern NH. We met approx. once every two months to discuss storm water issues and share ideas on the program.	Continue participation with group. A regional meeting is scheduled for May of 2006
Revised			Residents have not been included in the group as of yet		
Revised					
Revised					

2a. Additions

2-3	Purchase hybrid vehicles	DPW/ J. Stanford	Replace old gas vehicles with new electric hybrids	Maintained hybrid vehicles.	Continue maintenance of vehicles
2-4	Help with local groups in trash pick-up program	DPW/P. Belanger	Provide bags and pickup of trash for town clean-up days	Provided bags and trash pick-up during 1 clean-up day.	Continue with participation with local groups.

3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
3-1 Revised	Map storm water drainage system and outfalls	DPW/ J. Stanford	Complete mapping by end of 5 year permit term	Continued to collect all existing map data on drainage systems. Aerial and base mapping completed	Expect to have all outfalls identified in 2006
3-2 Revised	Maintain map database on GIS system	DPW/ J. Stanford	Complete with system mapping (BMP 3-1)	System data collection continued this past year.	Maintenance will be ongoing as data is received
3-3 Revised	Visually inspect outfalls for dry weather flows	DPW/P. Belanger	Inspect a representative number of outfalls each year. Complete inspection of all outfalls by the end of 5 year permit term	DPW continued to inspect outfalls this past year. To date only 1 illicit connection was detected and eliminated.	Continue with Inventory and perform inspections.
3-4 Revised	Implement a sampling and analysis program for dry weather flows	DPW/ J. Stanford	Sample any outfalls identified with dry weather flows under BMP 3-3 above. Complete sampling at identified outfalls as budget permits	No sampling was done during permit year 3, however funds have been appropriated during year 4.	Continue to monitor outfalls and test any flows that are detected.
3-5 Revised	Train DPW personnel to recognize illicit discharge	DPW/P. Belanger	Annual training to include information on recognizing and reducing illicit discharges Training began in summer 2004	Conducted 1 day of training for Public Works employees.	Continue training with additional storm water topics.
3-6 Revised	Review and update Town bylaws and regulations to include illicit discharge ordinance	DPW/ J. Stanford	Years 1 and 2 – review existing ordinances Conduct numerous discussions with Planning Board	Existing regulations are already in place. Review of projects includes stormwater maintenance and incorporation of BMPs. Projects are required to annually report stormwater maintenance activities to Town/PW	Continue with comprehensive review process.

3a. Additions - None

4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
4-1 Revised	Storm water impact and design review process	Planning Board/K. White	Continue current new-construction review process involving all appropriate departments	Reviewed new subdivision and site plans for storm water impact. Requested major and minor design changes to control development storm water discharge.	Continue design review process
4-2 Revised	Visually inspect construction sites for proper erosion control measures	Planning Board/K. White	Continue to inspect sites, record inspections and track violations	Inspected construction sites. Submitted deficiency reports to owners and contractors who were in violation of design storm water control measures.	Continue with inspection process
4-3 Revised	Construction Site Runoff Control	Planning Board/J. Stanford	Review existing regulations to require sediment and erosion control measures on construction sites	Existing regulations are in place. Developments were not allowed to proceed with construction until control measures were satisfactorily in place.	Continue with updating regulations/policies as needed.
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4a. Additions - None

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 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
5-1 Revised	Conduct storm water impact and design review process (in conjunction with BMP 4-1)	Planning Board/K. White	Continue current review process involving all appropriate departments	Continued design review meetings with Town Personnel approx. every two weeks.	Continue review process
5-2 Revised	Review and update Town bylaws and regulations regarding post construction storm water management provisions	Planning Board/K. White	Years 1 and 2 – review existing ordinances Continue review and discussions with stormwater group	Sample ordinances have been proposed in stormwater group communities. Group reviewed proposed regulations and commented on proposed changes.	Continue with regulation implementation
Revised					
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Revised					

5a. Additions - None

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 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
6-1 Revised	Street Sweeping	DPW/P. Belanger	Continue to sweep selected streets annually and increase frequency of sweeping as budget allows Maintain volume records of material collected.	Swept approximately 25% of Town owned streets.	Continue with program
6-2 Revised	Catch Basin cleaning	DPW/P. Belanger	Continue to clean catch basins annually and as needed in areas of high flooding. Maintain volume records of material cleaned from catch basins and swales.	Performed catch basin cleaning on ¾ of town-owned catch basins. Also performed street swale maintenance and cleaning.	Continue with program
6-3 Revised	Collect household hazardous waste	DPW/S. Crean	Continue hazardous waste collection days at the transfer station Funding will only allow conducting 1 special collection day this year	Conducted 1 hazardous Waste collection day at the Town Transfer Station.	Conduct 1 household hazardous waste collection day – Scheduled for May 2006
6-4 Revised	Collect yard waste	DPW/S. Crean	Continue yard waste drop off at transfer station	Yard waste drop off was in operation throughout the year.	Continue with drop off program
6-5 Revised	Maintain the storm water management program	DPW/J. Stanford	Maintain written program summary; update as necessary; submit reports annually in accordance with the permit	Tracked annual performance. Completed annual update in compliance with Permit.	Continue with tracking and compliance.
6-6 Revised	Implement Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan for DPW garage and transfer station	DPW/J. Stanford	Maintain plan at each facility	Developed preliminary plan for new stormwater collection and treatment at Town Transfer Station.	Request funding for improvements.

6-7	Develop and implement training program for proper installation of erosion control barriers	DPW/ J. Stanford	Review existing procedures	Training for highway personnel was conducted.	Include training materials with our program outlined in BMP 3-5
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6a. Additions

6-8	Constructed new shed for storage of road salt	DPW/ J. Stanford	Reduce amount of salt that is washed off-site.	New salt shed was in full operation. During non-winter months, an additional sand berm was placed in front of opening to prevent any runoff of salt. All winter loading of salt was done under cover of the new shed.	Continue with operation as discussed.

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 3 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 4
7-1	Monitor and sample discharges to impaired water ways	DPW/ J. Stanford	Monitor discharges and collect samples of discharges to impaired waters as budget allows	Determination of outfalls to impaired waters is still ongoing and will be completed by end of permit year 5. No samples were collected or monitored this past year.	Continue mapping and converting data to Town GIS.
Revised					
Revised					
Revised					

7a. Additions - None

7b. WLA Assessment

Determination of discharges to impaired waters has not been completed as of yet. Upon completion of outfall mapping, determinations will be made.

Part IV. Summary of Information Collected and Analyzed

Considerable mapping was done in permit year 3. The program continues to benefit by our participation in the storm water group created with other southern New Hampshire communities. Although the permit covers individual municipalities, the group continues to approach stormwater from a regional perspective.

Part V. Program Outputs & Accomplishments (OPTIONAL)

Programmatic

Stormwater management position created/staffed	(y/n)	no
Annual program budget/expenditures	(\$)	\$5,000
<i>amount represents outside consulting help and does not reflect actual implementation of programs</i>		
(help was requested for GIS mapping)		

Education, Involvement, and Training

Estimated number of residents reached by education program(s)	(# or %)	10 %
Stormwater management committee established	(y/n)	yes
Stream teams established or supported	(# or y/n)	no
Shoreline clean-up participation or quantity of shoreline miles cleaned	(y/n or mi.)	N/A
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days		
▪ days sponsored	(#)	1 day
▪ community participation	(%)	1%
▪ material collected	(tons or gal)	1500 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		(%)	50%
Estimated or actual number of outfalls		(#)	unknown
System-Wide mapping complete		(%)	50%
Mapping method(s)			
▪ Paper/Mylar		(%)	10%
▪ CADD		(%)	10%
▪ GIS		(%)	80%
Outfalls inspected/screened		(# or %)	30%
Illicit discharges identified		(#)	0
Illicit connections removed		(#)	0
		(est. gpd)	
% of population on sewer		(%)	10%
% of population on septic systems		(%)	90%

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	(# or %)	1
Fines collected	(# and \$)	0
Complaints/concerns received from public	(#)	2

Post-Development Stormwater Management

Estimated percentage of development/redevelopment projects adequately regulated for post-construction stormwater control	(%)	30%
Site inspections completed	(# or %)	50%
Estimated volume of stormwater recharged	(gpy)	unknown
<i>Public Works Director has regularly requested engineers to implement recharge into their designs</i>		

Operations and Maintenance

Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	1
Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	2
Total number of structures cleaned	(#)	193
Storm drain cleaned	(LF or mi.)	300 lf
Qty. of screenings/debris removed from storm sewer infrastructure	(lbs. or tons)	unknown
Disposal or use of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, recycle for sand, beneficial use, etc.)		recycle
Cost of screenings disposal	(\$)	0

Average frequency of street sweeping (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	1/year
Average frequency of street sweeping (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	4/year
Qty. of sand/debris collected by sweeping	(lbs. or tons)	208 yards
Disposal of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, beneficial use, etc.)	(location)	recycle
Cost of sweepings disposal	(\$)	unknown
Vacuum street sweepers purchased/leased	(#)	0
Vacuum street sweepers specified in contracts	(y/n)	no

Reduction in application on public land of: ("N/A" = never used, "100%" = elimination)			
▪ Fertilizers		(lbs. or %)	unknown
▪ Herbicides		(lbs. or %)	unknown
▪ Pesticides		(lbs. or %)	unknown
Anti-/De-Icing products and ratios <i>The Town uses mostly sand however we will use a sand/salt mixture in our winter operations when conditions necessitate (we use a 4:1 ratio of sand to salt).</i>			
	% NaCl	40 %	
	% CaCl ₂	0%	
	% MgCl ₂	0%	
	% CMA	0%	
	% Kac	0%	
	% KCl	0%	
	% Sand	60 %	
Pre-wetting techniques utilized	(y/n)	no	
Manual control spreaders used	(y/n)	yes	
Automatic or Zero-velocity spreaders used	(y/n)	yes	
Estimated net reduction in typical year salt application	(lbs. or %)	unknown	
Salt pile(s) covered in storage shed(s)	(y/n)	yes	
Storage shed(s) in design or under construction – <i>funding for new shed appropriated</i>	(y/n)	yes	