

**Municipality/Organization:** Town of Acton

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## NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

### Part I. General Information

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**Title:** Health Director

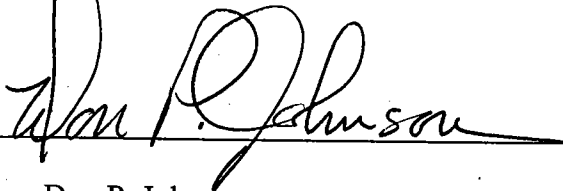
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**Signature:**



**Printed Name:** Don P. Johnson

**Title:** Town Manager

**Date:** 4/30/04

## 2. Public Involvement and Participation

| BMP ID # | BMP Description                              | Responsible Dept./Person Name             | Measurable Goal(s)                                                    | Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 1<br>(Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Planned Activities – Permit Year 2                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PP-1     | Partner with Local Organization              | Board of Health Health Director           | Provide financial contribution to partner with SUASCO WCC             | On October 3, 2003 Acton committed to participate in the SUASCO Watershed Community Council's "Storm Water Community Assistance Program" for Storm Water Phase II Permit Year 1 from July 2003 to June 2004.                                                                                         | Continue commitment to participate in the SUASCO Watershed Community Council's "Storm Water Community Assistance Program" for Storm Water Phase II Permit Year 2 from July 2004 to June 2005. |
| Revised  |                                              |                                           |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| PP-2     | Place traveling display at various locations | Board of Health Health Director           | Place display provided by SUASCO at one location throughout the year. | On December 19 <sup>th</sup> SUASCO delivered the traveling storm water display to Acton. Since that date it has been displayed in the main entrance way to the Town Hall above the Isaac Davis Plow. Display will be brought to Town Meeting and other public events during the course of the year. | Continue to place display provided by SUASCO at one location throughout the year.                                                                                                             |
| Revised  |                                              |                                           |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| PP-3     | Poster/Photo Contests                        | Recreation Department Recreation Director | No Goal Established for Year One                                      | No action taken in year one.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Hold a Storm Water poster contest for Youth Groups at NARA.                                                                                                                                   |
| Revised  |                                              |                                           |                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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| PP-4    | Organize Public Meetings/Panels | Board of Health Health Director | Discuss Storm Water at one public meeting every year.                                                         | On February 24, 2003 the Board of Selectmen at their regularly scheduled meeting were updated on the NPDES Permit. They discussed the schedule of tasks, the anticipated costs and the potential of volunteer organizations assistance. | Continue to discuss Storm Water at one public meeting every year.                                                           |
| Revised |                                 |                                 |                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                             |
| PP-5    | Stencil Storm Drains            | Board of Health Health Director | 1.1 OAR volunteers stenciled small portion of town<br>1.2 Submit grant application for new stenciling program | 1.1 Stenciling Project completed in 2000.<br>1.2 Grant application unavailable at this time (see PP-6 for alternative measure).                                                                                                         | Construct and place Stream Identification Signs at stream and street intersections in conjunction with Acton's Stream Team. |
| Revised |                                 |                                 |                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                             |

## 2a. Additions

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| PP-6 | Stream Identification Signs           | Board of Health Health Director | 1.2 Submit grant application for the creation and placement of Stream Identification Signs | Applied for and received grant to place Stream Identification Signs at Stream and Street Intersections in conjunction with Acton's Stream Team | Construct and place Stream Identification Signs at stream and street intersections in conjunction with Acton's Stream Team. |
| PP-7 | Citizen Involved Storm Water Programs | Acton Stream Team Coordinator   | Provide educational displays at town events                                                | Acton Stream Team provided an educational display on Storm Water Issues at Earth Day event in Acton.                                           | No Goal Established for Year Two                                                                                            |

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| ID-4    | Correct illicit Discharges | Board of Health Health Director | No Goal Established for Year One | No action taken in year one. | No Goal Established for Year Two. |
| Revised |                            |                                 |                                  |                              |                                   |

### 3a. Additions

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| ID-5 | On-site Wastewater Impacts | Board of Health Health Director | Analyze on-site Wastewater Impacts. | Case study on Impact of Title V issues on communities | No Goal Established for Year Two |
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### 4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

| BMP ID # | BMP Description                                            | Responsible Dept./Person Name | Measurable Goal(s)                | Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 1<br>(Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any) | Planned Activities – Permit Year 2                                                                         |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CS-1     | Develop/Implement Construction Site Runoff Control Program | Planning Board Town Planner   | No Goal Established for Year One. | No action taken in year one.                                                                  | Begin In-House Assessment of current status of construction site runoff control program.                   |
| Revised  |                                                            |                               |                                   |                                                                                               |                                                                                                            |
| CS-2     | Develop/Implement Erosion And Sediment Control Bylaw       | Planning Board Town Planner   | No Goal Established for Year One. | No action taken in year one.                                                                  | Begin In-House Assessment of current status of Erosion and Sediment Control Bylaws, Rules And Regulations. |
| Revised  |                                                            |                               |                                   |                                                                                               |                                                                                                            |

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| GH-1    | Reporting                              | Public Works<br>Director of<br>Public Works<br>Board of<br>Health<br>Health<br>Director | Create a method to<br>record storm water<br>activities for Good<br>Housekeeping and<br>all Minimum<br>Control Measures<br>(MCM's)                                             | Forms developed for recording<br>Catch Basin cleaning and<br>Street sweeping activities.<br>Reporting system established<br>for any drainage maintenance<br>or repair work or unusual<br>storm water activity.   | 6.1 Record all storm water<br>management activities.<br>6.2 Reassess eligibility criteria<br>6.3 Provide yearly report as<br>required in the General<br>Permit Part II.F. |
| Revised |                                        |                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                           |
| GH-2    | Audit Current Town<br>Facilities       | Public Works<br>Director Of<br>Public Works                                             | No Goal<br>Established for<br>Year One                                                                                                                                        | No action taken for year one.                                                                                                                                                                                    | No Goal Established for Year<br>Two                                                                                                                                       |
| Revised |                                        |                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                           |
| GH-3    | Operation and<br>Management<br>Program | Public Works<br>Director of<br>Public Works                                             | 1.1 Create list of<br>priority<br>outfalls and<br>complete 1 <sup>st</sup><br>round of<br>outfall<br>cleaning<br>1.2 Begin tracking<br>records for<br>catch basins<br>cleaned | 1.1 Woodard and Curran has<br>developed a prioritized list<br>of identified outfalls for the<br>Town.<br>1.2 Tracking records for catch<br>basin cleaning has been<br>delayed until forms have<br>been approved. | 2.1 Continue to track records<br>for outfalls cleaned.<br>2.2 Begin tracking records for<br>catch basins cleaned.                                                         |
| Revised |                                        |                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                           |

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 1<br>(Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Planned Activities – Permit Year 2                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TMDL-1   | Check Current Impairment List. | Board of Health<br>Health Director | There are No completed studies for receiving waters in Acton. | Annual check of list has confirmed that a Draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Report for Total Phosphorus in the Assabet River (Report # MA 82B-01-2004-01) is available for public comment. Implementation of Report is scheduled to begin in the summer of 2004. Review of the draft report has not thus far identified new implementation requirements for receiving waters in Acton. | Check list annually to determine new implementation requirements. |
| Revised  |                                |                                    |                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                   |

7a. Additions

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7b. WLA Assessment

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| Annual program budget/expenditures | (\$) |
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### Education, Involvement, and Training

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| Estimated number of residents reached by education program(s)           | (# or %)      |
| Stormwater management committee established                             | (y/n)         |
| Stream teams established or supported                                   | (# or y/n)    |
| Shoreline clean-up participation or quantity of shoreline miles cleaned | (y/n or mi.)  |
| Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days                               |               |
| ▪ days sponsored                                                        | (#)           |
| ▪ community participation                                               | (%)           |
| ▪ material collected                                                    | (tons or gal) |
| School curricula implemented                                            | (y/n)         |
|                                                                         |               |
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### Legal/Regulatory

|                                                    | In Place<br>Prior to<br>Phase II | Under<br>Review | Drafted | Adopted |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Regulatory Mechanism Status (indicate with "X")    |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination        |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Erosion & Sediment Control                       |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Post-Development Stormwater Management           |                                  |                 |         |         |
| Accompanying Regulation Status (indicate with "X") |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination        |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Erosion & Sediment Control                       |                                  |                 |         |         |
| ▪ Post-Development Stormwater Management           |                                  |                 |         |         |

### Mapping and Illicit Discharges

## Operations and Maintenance

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| Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)                | (times/yr)     |  |
| Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)      | (times/yr)     |  |
| Total number of structures cleaned                                                             | (#)            |  |
| Storm drain cleaned                                                                            | (LF or mi.)    |  |
| Qty. of screenings/debris removed from storm sewer infrastructure                              | (lbs. or tons) |  |
| Disposal or use of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, recycle for sand, beneficial use, etc.) |                |  |
| Cost of screenings disposal                                                                    | (\$)           |  |
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| Average frequency of street sweeping (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)           | (times/yr)     |  |
| Average frequency of street sweeping (commercial/arterial or other critical streets) | (times/yr)     |  |
| Qty. of sand/debris collected by sweeping                                            | (lbs. or tons) |  |
| Disposal of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, beneficial use, etc.)                | (location)     |  |
| Cost of sweepings disposal                                                           | (\$)           |  |
| Vacuum street sweepers purchased/leased                                              | (#)            |  |
| Vacuum street sweepers specified in contracts                                        | (y/n)          |  |
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| Reduction in application on public land of: ("N/A" = never used; "100%" = elimination) |             |  |
| ▪ Fertilizers                                                                          | (lbs. or %) |  |
| ▪ Herbicides                                                                           | (lbs. or %) |  |
| ▪ Pesticides                                                                           | (lbs. or %) |  |
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# Fecal Coliform Sampling Points

## Acton Health Department

