

Municipality/Organization: Town of Falmouth

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NPDES PII Small MS4 General Permit Annual Report

Part I. General Information

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Title: Town Manager

Date: April 26, 2013

Part II. Self-Assessment

The Engineering staff is responsible for implementing the Phase II requirements and has been moving forward with compliance.

During the past year Public Works had the opportunity of working with an Americorps Cape Cod employee with the main task of developing new NPDES education and outreach programs. Groups of Americorps volunteers have been organized to perform the following tasks: Initiate a storm drain marker installation program in high profile locations through the town; develop and initiate a stormdrain stenciling program that is used in the estuaries and tidal pond areas where there are no curbs to install the stormdrain markers; design print and distribute door hangers aimed at public education, fertilizer, car washing, pet waste and litter control; finalized work with the Falmouth Dog Park Committee on creating a petsmart campaign public service announcement outlining protocols for cleanup of pet waste. In cooperation with the Falmouth water quality group "FACES", a "Homeowner Stormwater Education Kit" was developed containing information on composting, stormwater education, and homeowner tips. The kit will be distributed this spring to sites around Town.

The Towns outfall maps are being updated on a continual basis including structure information, connections between structures, and stormwater contribution areas. Field inspections include identifying any illicit discharges such as basement sump pumps draining to catch basins. The main focus at this time is identifying outfalls and roadway runoff areas affecting the coastal ponds and estuaries. Falmouth has several working groups and committees researching nitrogen and phosphorous reduction technology and implementation methods that can be used in sensitive areas.

Due to limited equipment and staffing, routine street cleaning has been limited to one street sweeping crew. Street cleaning is performed in the spring after snow removal operations, and in the fall after the hurricane and nor'easter season. Main arteries are swept on a weekly basis. A catch basin cleaning truck and crew has been dedicated to full time basin cleaning from April – October. The Town no longer applies sand/ salt mixtures to the roadways during the winter season. The roads are pretreated with a salt brine mixture that is applied prior to inclement weather. Street sweeping and catch basin sediment removal amounts are tracked in an asset management program.

NPDES compliance programs and staff development training are continually being updated. Several key aspects include:

1. An all-inclusive Public Works Stormwater Regulation including NPDES compliance requirements has been developed and is currently under review with the anticipation of Selectmen approval and adoption in FY2014.
2. The Town "Driveway Permit" forms have been modified to include NPDES stormwater requirements. The modified "Driveway Permit" includes:

- Statement “No driveway shall be constructed directing stormwater onto roadways”.
 - Bonding of permits ensuring all site work is constructed according to the driveway permit and attachments.
3. The Engineering Division maintains an active list of drainage concerns. Each site is evaluated for repair, including best management practices (BMP’s), water quality, and accessibility for maintenance. Work is ongoing to correct the stormwater issues.
4. Evaluation review and update of the current “Public Outreach and Participation Program” is ongoing. With the help of qualified AmeriCorps personnel, Public Works is advancing faster than expected.
5. Stormdrain markers stating “NO DUMPING, DRAINS TO WATERWAY” have been installed in the downtown and beach areas.
6. AmeriCorps led a beach grass planting program on Menauhant Beach to reestablish the beach dunes that were damaged by tropical storm Sandy and other coastal storms in 2013.
7. The following Public Works projects including stormwater LID design and best management practices have been designed and are currently under construction:
- Old Barnstable Road – Approximately 6,000 linear feet of roadway has been reconstructed. The entire stormwater system was replaced including 70 structures and deep sump basins, 2013-2014.
 - Public Works Facility – Installed one in-line Stormceptor, oil-water separator near the fuel depot in order to capture spills and surface contaminants within the fueling area. The positive limiting barrier build into the concrete fueling pad is swept on a regular basis.
 - Septic System Replacement at Old Silver Beach – The Town is currently replacing the septic system at Old Silver Beach. The new system is located at the furthest point of the parking lot to accommodate the Conservation Commission and Board of Heath construction buffer zones.
 - Falmouth received a grant from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for:
 - The reconstruction of a fish ladder and proposed LID drainage for improving sediment flow into Rands Canal. The Town must match 25% of the total cost with in-house professional design services, construction in 2013.
- The Engineering Division, working with The Falmouth Natural Resources Division obtained local Conservation and MassDEP permitting and is currently finalizing the 100% construction drawings. The projects are scheduled for construction in 2012-2013.

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 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
1-1 Revised	Televised Program for Falmouth Specific.	Engineering D.N.R.	Program airing on local station.	Program was initiated. In 2013, a new annual PSA was created and aired on Falmouth FCTV beginning spring 2013.	Will continue to air annual PSA's and update as necessary.
1-2 Revised	Posting Of Maps	Engineering Engineering and GIS	Map prepared and displayed	Maps are updated on a continuing basis. At this time, the primary focus has been the coastal ponds and estuaries.	Will continue to update the maps on a continuing basis.
1-3 Revised	Annual Public Hearing	Admin.	Meetings held per schedule	Monthly meeting are held regarding the improvement of all coastal ponds and reduction in nitrogen. Several community groups are moving forward with seeking Town Funding and Grants to improve the salt and fresh waters of Falmouth.	Continue with Monthly meetings and providing support for the community interest groups.
1-4 Revised	Educational Flyer	Admin. and DPW	Flyer prepared and distributed	Educational flyers and door hangers have been developed and distributed to Town Hall and public buildings. Flyers can also be picked up at the Engineering Division.	Update and distribute flyers as on a continual basis.
Revised					

1a. Additions

2. Public Involvement and Participation

BMP ID #	BMP Description	Responsible Dept./Person Name	Measurable Goal(s)	Progress on Goal(s) – Permit Year 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
2-1 Revised	Encourage participation	Admin./DPW	Maintain complaint file	Working with the school department, Dog Park, and local groups/committees on public awareness and involvement.	Continue awareness and education with the various water quality committees and associations.
2-2 Revised	Stormwater Committee	Selectmen/DPW	Update management program	Committee established. Monthly meeting are held regarding improvement of all coastal ponds and reduction in nitrogen. Several community groups are moving forward with seeking Town Funding and Grants to improve the salt and fresh waters of Falmouth.	Continue with Monthly meetings and providing support for the community interest groups.
2-3 Revised	Selectmen's Meeting Review	Selectmen Administrator	Meetings held per schedule	Education and awareness activities were presented.	Continue to update the Selectmen and public on a continuing basis.
2-4 Revised	Storm Drain Stenciling	DPW/Engineering	Documentation of catch basins stenciled	Stormdrain markers were purchased and installed. Stencils were created and painted near ponds and in high profile areas where curbing is not present.	Continue installing Stormdrain markers and painted Stencils.
2-5 Revised	Hazardous Waste Collection	Board Of Health	Documentation of Collection	Hazardous waste collection was conducted 4 times in conjunction with 3 bordering towns. May thru Oct	Conduct hazardous waste collection days 4 days between May and Oct in conjunction with 3 bordering towns
Revised					

2a. Additions

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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 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
4-1 Revised	Con. Com. Bylaw Review	Con. Com.	Review and/or revise bylaws	A stormwater by-law has been drafted and is currently being reviewed.	Approval of the Stormwater bylaw regulation by the Selectmen and implementation.
4-2 Revised	Planning Board Regulations Review	Planning Board	Review and/or revise regulations	See BMP 4-1.	See BMP 4-1.
4-3 Revised	Zoning Bylaw Review	Planning Board	Review and/or revise regulations	See BMP 4-1.	See BMP 4-1.
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4a. Additions

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 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
5-1 Revised	Con. Com Bylaw Review	Con. Com.	Review and/or revise bylaws	Review of current regulations and incorporation into the newly created stormwater by-law.	See BMP 4-1.
5-2 Revised	Planning Board Regulations Review	Planning Board	Review and/or revise regulations	Review of current regulations and incorporation into the newly created stormwater by-law.	See BMP 4-1.
5-3 Revised	Zoning Bylaw Review	Planning Board	Review and/or revise regulations	Review of current regulations and incorporation into the newly created stormwater by-law.	See BMP 4-1.
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5a. Additions

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 10 (Reliance on non-municipal partners indicated, if any)	Planned Activities – Permit Year 11
6-1 Revised	DPW Policy Guide	DPW	Preparation of Policy Guide	Catch basin and street sweeping program developed and implemented.	Program is ongoing.
6-2 Revised	DPW Annual Training	DPW	Complete annual training	Reviewed proprietary education dvds.	Implement and revise schedule to coincide with BMP 3-5.
6-3 Revised	DPW Permit Filing	DPW	Copies of permits on file	Implemented and on-going.	Continue filing permits and adhere to DEP, and local design standards.
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6a. Additions

7. BMPs for Meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Waste Load Allocations (WLA) << if applicable >>

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7a. Additions

7b. WLA Assessment

Part IV. Summary of Information Collected and Analyzed

Part V. Program Outputs & Accomplishments (OPTIONAL)

Programmatic

Stormwater management position created/staffed (duel position)	(y/n)	Y
Annual program budget/expenditures (Capital Improvement Program)	(\$)	25,000.00
		Funded for FY 2014

Education, Involvement, and Training

Estimated number of residents reached by education program(s)	(# or %)	New Program Televised 100%
Stormwater management committee established	(y/n)	Y
Stream teams established or supported	(# or y/n)	
Shoreline clean-up participation or quantity of shoreline miles cleaned	(y/n or mi.)	Y 65 +/- Miles
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days		
▪ days sponsored	(#)	4
▪ community participation	(%)	
▪ material collected	(tons or gal)	
School curricula implemented – Elementary & Middle School Grades	(y/n)	Y

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 (known outfalls. Detection is ongoing)	(%)	100
Estimated or actual number of outfalls (known outfalls. Detection is ongoing)	(#)	129
System-Wide mapping complete	(%)	90
Mapping method(s)		
▪ Paper/Mylar	(%)	100
▪ CADD	(%)	
▪ GIS	(%)	100
▪ Asset Management Software program	(%)	100
Outfalls inspected/screened	(# or %)	20
Illicit discharges identified	(#)	Ongoing
Illicit connections removed	(#)	
	(est. gpd)	
% of population on sewer	(%)	3
% of population on septic systems	(%)	97

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 %)	4 ea. project
Tickets/Stop work orders issued	(# or %)	0
Fines collected	(# and \$)	0
Complaints/concerns received from public	(#)	0

Post-Development Stormwater Management

Estimated percentage of development/redevelopment projects adequately regulated for post-construction stormwater control	(%)	100% By design
Site inspections completed	(# or %)	4 ea. project
Estimated volume of stormwater recharged	(gpy)	

Operations and Maintenance

Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	Continuous
Average frequency of catch basin cleaning (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	Continuous
Total number of structures cleaned (3,600 +/- Total), Clean approx. 40-50 month	(#)	On-going
Storm drain cleaned (See above)	(LF or mi.)	
Qty. of screenings/debris removed from storm sewer infrastructure	(lbs. or tons)	3 C.Y. Each
Disposal or use of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, recycle for sand, beneficial use, etc.)		Town Owned Gravel Pit
Cost of screenings disposal	(\$)	No Cost

Average frequency of street sweeping (non-commercial/non-arterial streets)	(times/yr)	2 or as needed
Average frequency of street sweeping (commercial/arterial or other critical streets)	(times/yr)	2 or as needed
Qty. of sand/debris collected by sweeping	(lbs. or tons)	20 C.Y./Day
Disposal of sweepings (landfill, POTW, compost, beneficial use, etc.)	(location)	Gravel Pit
Cost of sweepings disposal	(\$)	
Vacuum street sweepers purchased/leased	(#)	N/A
Vacuum street sweepers specified in contracts	(y/n)	N/A

Reduction in application on public land of: ("N/A" = never used; "100%" = elimination)		
▪ Fertilizers	Reduction from 3 lbs per acre to 2 lbs per acre	2 lbs per Acre
▪ Herbicides		None Used
▪ Pesticides		Minimal Used

Anti-/De-Icing products and ratios	% NaCl % CaCl ₂ % MgCl ₂ % CMA % Kac % KCl % Sand	
Pre-wetting techniques utilized	(y/n)	Started 2008
Manual control spreaders used	(y/n)	N
Automatic or Zero-velocity spreaders used	(y/n)	Y (7)
Estimated net reduction in typical year salt application	(lbs. or %)	
Salt pile(s) covered in storage shed(s)	(y/n)	Y
Storage shed(s) in design or under construction	(y/n)	Y Complete