

CITY OF **Albertville**

2025 ANNUAL MS4 STORMWATER PRESENTATION



Purpose of the Meeting

- Raise awareness of the importance of good stormwater management



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- To give an update on the status of compliance with the MS4 Permit conditions and City's SWPPP implementation
 - What has the City done in 2024?
 - What is the City currently doing in 2025?
 - What does the City plan to do in the future?
- Requirement of MPCA for General Permit
 - Allow public comment

What is an MS4?

- A *Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)* is a conveyance or system of conveyances designed and used for collecting stormwater, which includes roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, and storm drains that is *owned or operated by a government unit* having jurisdiction under section 208 of the Clean Water Act that discharges to waters of the United States.

PROTECTING RIVERS, LAKES,
AND PONDS FROM
POTENTIAL POLLUTANTS



Background

- The MPCA designated, under Minn. R. Chapter 7090 that all Cities outside of urbanized areas with a population greater than 10,000 must obtain an NPDES storm water permit
- The City met the requirements of a Mandatory MS4 as a community in an 'urbanized area'
- Albertville's first SWPPP was public noticed May 2, 2017
- On June 15, 2017 the City was issued permit coverage
- MPCA issued a 3rd generation permit effective November 16, 2020 to November 15, 2025
- On November 8, 2021 the City was issued permit coverage for the 3rd generation MS4 General Permit

What is a SWPPP?

- SWPPP = Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program
- Describes City of Albertville's program for reducing and eliminating pollution to local waterways
- Targeted to address six minimum control measures (MCM's)
- The SWPPP includes:
 - Regulatory mechanisms
 - Educational programs
 - Inspections
 - Maintenance
 - Documentation

SWPPP General Implementation Timeline

- **June 1, 2006** – 1st General MS4 permit issued
- **August 1, 2013** – 2nd General MS4 Permit goes into effect
- **2017** – City submits SWPPP application
- **2017** – City obtains permit coverage from the MPCA
- **November 16, 2020** – 3rd General MS4 Permit goes into effect
- **November 8, 2021** – City is issued permit coverage
- **November 15, 2025** – Existing MS4 permit expires

What is a BMP?



Best Management Practice

- Practice intended to control pollution
- Structural example- sediment pond, grass filter strip, sump catch basins
- Non structural examples – education to reduce pollution, street sweeping, ordinances to protect water quality

The SWPPP consists of Six Minimum Control Measures (MCM's)

- 1) Public Education and Outreach
- 2) Public Participation
- 3) Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- 4) Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control
- 5) Post Construction Stormwater Management
- 6) Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

What has the City done this past year?

- Published education articles
- Ongoing street sweeping
- Ensured stormwater BMPs were implemented during City and private development projects
- Mapping updates
- Review of development site plans
- Placed waste bags in parks and on trails
- Inspected structural BMPs



What is the City currently doing in 2025?

- Working on the current SWPPP requirements
 - i. Placing articles in the City newsletter
 - ii. Working to prohibit “non-stormwater discharges to the system
 - iii. Pond inspections (requirement is once per permit cycle)
 - iv. Annual structural pollution control device inspections
 - v. Reviewing development construction plans ensure they meet City design requirements
 - vi. Preparing for the new MS4 permit to be issued in 2025

Future Program Needs

- Continue to improve efficiencies of inspection, documentation, and reporting.
- Provide training for staff involved with any portion of the SWPPP.
- Provide BMP articles in the City newsletter
- Conduct annual assessments of the MS4 program

Annual Report

- Submit the 2022, 2023 and 2024 annual reports to the MPCA in 2025 (the 2022-2024 annual reports submittal date has been put off until the end of 2025)
- Include comments received from public
- Notify MPCA of any changes to SWPPP
- Document number of people that view the annual SWPPP Presentation

Questions or Comments?

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