



TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE, NC

STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES (SCM) OPERATION & MAINTENANCE PLAN

This Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan has been prepared by the Town of Waynesville Development Services to address stormwater control measure (SCM) operation and maintenance requirements for Permit No. NCS000501 To Discharge Stormwater Under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System. This plan shall be evaluated annually and updated as necessary.

This O&M Plan addresses SCMs by describing the activities and procedures the Town of Waynesville will implement so that SCMs are properly maintained to ensure on-going functionality and reduce the potential for discharge of pollutants from the MS4. The O&M Plan outlines inspection and maintenance procedures for structural stormwater control measures (SCMs) owned by the Town of Waynesville, NC.

This O&M Plan is applicable to the following Town owned SCMs:

Town Owned SCMs	
Dry detention pond #1	Fire Station #1
Dry detention pond #2	Fire Station #1
Dry detention pond #3	Fire Station #1
Rain Garden	Waynesville Greenway, Parks and Recreation

All SCMs, as required by the Town's Stormwater Ordinance, must have a signed Operation and Maintenance Agreement on file with the Town of Waynesville Development Services. Each individual municipal facility with SCMs also maintains a signed copy of the O&M Agreements.

The Operation and Maintenance Agreement outlines necessary operation and maintenance procedures that must be followed to ensure the ongoing function of all Town owned SCMs.

Attached are O&M procedures for typical SCMs approved for installation by Town of Waynesville.

Bioretention Cell Maintenance Requirements

Important operation and maintenance procedures:

- Immediately after the bioretention cell is established, the plants will be watered twice weekly if needed until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
- Snow, mulch or any other material will NEVER be piled on the surface of the bioretention cell.
- Wheeled, tracked, or heavy equipment will NEVER be driven over the bioretention planting surface.
- Special care will be taken to prevent sediment from entering the bioretention cell.
- Once a year, a soil test of the soil media will be conducted.
- Remove top layer of fill media when the pool does not drain quickly. Based on the media specification, the pool should drain within 24 hours.

The bioretention cell will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches.

Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil to remove the gully, and plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
The pretreatment area	Flow is bypassing pretreatment area and/or gullies have formed.	Regrade if necessary to route all flow to the pretreatment area. Restabilize the area after grading.
	Sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than three inches.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and restabilize the pretreatment area.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand.
The bioretention cell: vegetation	Best professional practices show that pruning is needed to maintain optimal plant health.	Prune according to best professional practices.
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application to establish the ground cover if a soil test indicates it is necessary.
	Tree stakes/wires are present six months after planting.	Remove tree stake/wires (which can kill the tree if not removed).

Bioretention Cell Maintenance Requirements (continued)

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The bioretention cell: soils and mulch	Mulch is breaking down or has floated away.	Spot mulch if there are only random void areas. Replace whole mulch layer if necessary. Remove the remaining mulch and replace with triple shredded hard wood mulch at a maximum depth of three inches.
	Soils and/or mulch are clogged with sediment.	Determine the extent of the clogging - remove and replace either just the top layers or the entire media as needed. Dispose of the spoil in an appropriate off-site location. Use triple shredded hard wood mulch at a maximum depth of three inches. Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible.
	An annual soil test shows that pH has dropped or heavy metals have accumulated in the soil media.	Dolomitic lime shall be applied as recommended per the soil test and toxic soils shall be removed, disposed of properly and replaced with new planting media.
The underdrain system (if applicable)	Clogging has occurred.	Wash out the underdrain system.
The drop inlet	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the drop inlet. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The drop inlet is damaged	Repair or replace the drop inlet.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Dry Detention Pond Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- The drainage area will be managed to reduce the sediment load to the dry extended detention basin.
- Immediately after the dry extended detention basin is established, the vegetation will be watered twice weekly if needed until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the dry extended detention pond will be fertilized after the first initial fertilization that is required to establish the vegetation.
- The vegetation in and around the basin will be maintained at a height of approximately six inches.
- Once a year, a dam safety expert will inspect the embankment.

The dry detention pond will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches.

Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
The forebay	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
	Erosion has occurred or riprap is displaced.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticides are used, wipe them on the plants rather than spraying.
The main treatment area	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design depth (per pond design data sheet)	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP. Revegetate disturbed areas immediately with sod (preferred) or seed protected with securely staked erosion mat.
	Water is standing more than 5 days after a storm event.	Check outlet structure for clogging. If it is a design issue, consult an appropriate professional.
	Weeds and noxious plants are growing in the main treatment area.	Remove the plants by hand or by wiping them with pesticide (do not spray).

Dry Detention Pond Maintenance Requirements (continued)

The embankment	Shrubs or trees have started to grow on the embankment.	Remove shrubs or trees immediately.
	Grass cover is unhealthy or eroding.	Restore the health of the grass cover – consult a professional if necessary.
	Signs of seepage on the downstream face.	Consult a professional.
	Evidence of muskrat or beaver activity is present.	Use traps to remove muskrats and consult a professional to remove beavers.
	An annual inspection by an appropriate professional shows that the embankment needs repair.	Make all needed repairs.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Level Spreader-Vegetated Filter Strip / Restored Riparian Buffer Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- Immediately after the filter strip is established, any newly planted vegetation will be watered twice weekly if needed until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
 - Once a year, the filter strip will be reseeded to maintain a dense growth of vegetation
 - Stable groundcover will be maintained in the drainage area to reduce the sediment load to the vegetation.
- Two to three times a year, grass filter strips will be mowed and the clippings harvested to promote the growth of thick vegetation with optimum pollutant removal efficiency. Turf grass should not be cut shorter than 3 to 5 inches and may be allowed to grow as tall as 12 inches depending on aesthetic requirements (NIPC, 1993). Forested filter strips do not require this type of maintenance.
- Once a year, the soil will be aerated if necessary.
 - Once a year, soil pH will be tested and lime will be added if necessary.

The LS-VFS / Restored Riparian Buffer will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The flow splitter device (if applicable)	The flow splitter device is clogged.	Unclog the conveyance and dispose of any sediment off-site.
	The flow splitter device is damaged.	Make any necessary repairs or replace if damage is too large for repair.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.

LS-VFS / Restored Riparian Buffer Maintenance Requirements (Continued)

	sediment.	Remove the sediment and dispose of it off-site.
	The level lip is cracked, settled, undercut, eroded or otherwise damaged.	Repair or replace lip.
	There is erosion around the end of the level spreader that shows stormwater has bypassed it.	Regrade the soil to create a berm that is higher than the level lip, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Trees or shrubs have begun to grow on the swale or just downslope of the level lip.	Remove them.
The bypass channel	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then reestablish proper erosion control.
	Turf reinforcement is damaged or ripap is rolling downhill.	Study the site to see if a larger bypass channel is needed (enlarge if necessary). After this, reestablish the erosion control material.
The filter strip	Grass is too short or too long (if applicable).	Maintain grass at a height of approximately three to six inches.
	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Sediment is building up on the filter strip.	Remove the sediment and restabilize the soil with vegetation if necessary. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Plants are desiccated.	Provide additional irrigation and fertilizer as needed.
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application.
	Nuisance vegetation is choking out desirable species.	Remove vegetation by hand if possible. If pesticide is used, do not allow it to get into the receiving water.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the NCDENR local Regional Office, or the 401 Oversight Unit at 919-733-1786.

Grassed Swale Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- The drainage area of the grassed swale will be carefully managed to reduce the sediment load to the grassed swale.
- After the first-time fertilization to establish the grass in the swale, fertilizer will not be applied to the grassed swale.

The grassed swale will be inspected once a quarter. Records of operation and maintenance will be kept in a known set location and will be available upon request.

Inspection activities shall be performed as follows. Any problems that are found shall be repaired **immediately**.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The entire length of the swale	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then re-sod (or plant with other appropriate species) and water until established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Sediment covers the grass at the bottom of the swale.	Remove sediment and dispose in an area that will not impact streams or BMPs. Re-sod if necessary.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Infiltration System Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- The drainage area will be carefully managed to reduce the sediment load to the infiltration basin.
- Immediately after the infiltration basin is established, the vegetation will be watered twice weekly if needed until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the infiltration basin will be fertilized after the initial fertilization that is required to establish the vegetation.
- The vegetation in and around the basin will be maintained at a height of approximately six inches.

The infiltration system will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches.

Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the infiltration basin	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
The inlet device: pipe or swale	The pipe is clogged (if applicable).	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged (if applicable).	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale (if applicable).	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
The forebay	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design depth.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Erosion has occurred or riprap is displaced.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticides are used, wipe them on the plants rather than spraying.
The main treatment area	A visible layer of sediment has accumulated.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP. Replace any media that was removed in the process. Revegetate disturbed areas immediately.
	Water is standing more than 5 days after a storm event.	Replace the top few inches of filter media and see if this corrects the standing water problem. If so, revegetate immediately. If not, consult an appropriate professional for a more extensive repair.
	Weeds and noxious plants are growing in the main treatment area.	Remove the plants by hand or by wiping them with pesticide (do not spray).
The embankment	Shrubs or trees have started to grow on the embankment.	Remove shrubs or trees immediately.
	An annual inspection by an appropriate professional shows that the embankment needs repair.	Make all needed repairs.

Infiltration System Maintenance Requirements (continued)

The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Permeable Pavement Maintenance Requirements

At all times, the pavement shall be kept free of:

- Debris and particulate matter through frequent blowing that removes such debris, particularly during the fall and spring.
- Piles of soil, sand, mulch, building materials or other materials that could deposit particulates on the pavement.
- Piles of snow and ice.
- Chemicals of all kinds, including deicers.

The permeable pavement will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the permeable pavement	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, then plant ground cover and water until established.
	A vegetated area drains toward the pavement.	Regrade the area so that it drains away from the pavement, then plant ground cover and water until established.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
The surface of the permeable pavement	Trash/debris present	Remove the trash/debris.
	Weeds	Do not pull the weeds (may pull out media as well). Spray them with a systemic herbicide such as glyphosate and then return within the week to remove them by hand. (Another option is to pour boiling water on them or steam them.)
	Sediment	Vacuum sweep the pavement.
	Rutting, cracking or slumping or damaged structure	Consult an appropriate professional.
Observation well	Water present more than five days after a storm event	Clean out clogged underdrain pipes. Consult an appropriate professional for clogged soil subgrade.
Educational sign	Missing or is damaged.	Replace the sign.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Rainwater Harvesting Maintenance Requirements

Important operation and maintenance procedures:

- The roof area will be maintained to reduce the debris and sediment load to the system. Excess debris can clog the system and lead to bypass of the design storm, and reduced reuse volume.
- To ensure proper operation as designed, a licensed Professional Engineer, Landscape Architect, or other qualified professional will inspect the system annually.
- The system components will be repaired or replaced whenever they fail to function properly.
- If the outlet is metered, use must be recorded at a minimum of monthly. These records shall be kept on site for inspection by DWQ.

The rainwater harvesting system will be inspected at least monthly and within 24 hours after each rain event. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire system	A component of the system is damaged or leaking.	Make any necessary repairs or replace if damage is too large for repair.
	Water is flowing out of the overflow pipe during a design rainfall or smaller (usually a 1" or 1.5" rainfall).	Check system for clogging and damage. Repair as needed so the design volume is stored properly without discharging during a design storm.
		Check that the pump is operating properly and that the water is actually being used at the volume designed. If it is still not operating properly, then consult an expert.
The captured roof area	Excess debris or sediment is present on the rooftop.	Remove the debris or sediment as soon as possible.
The gutter system	Gutters are clogged, or water is backing up out of the gutter system.	Unclog and remove debris. May need to install gutter screens to prevent future clogging.
	Rooftop runoff not making it into gutter system.	Correct the positioning or installation of gutters. Replace if necessary to capture the roof runoff.
The pump	Pump is not operating properly.	Check to see if the system is clogged and flush if necessary. If it is still not operating, then consult an expert.
The overflow pipe	Erosion is evident at the overflow discharge point.	Stabilize immediately.
	The overflow pipe is clogged.	Unclog or replace if it cannot be unclogged.
	The outflow pipe is damaged.	Repair or replace the pipe.
The secondary water	Not operating properly.	Consult an expert.
The cistern	Sediment accumulation of 5% or more of the design volume.	Remove sediment.
	Algae growth is present inside the cistern.	Do not allow sunlight to penetrate the cistern. Treat the water to remove/prevent algae.
	Mosquitoes in the cistern.	Check screens for damage and repair/replace. Treat with 'mosquito dunks' if necessary.
The screens and filters	Debris and/or sediment has accumulated. Screens and filters are clogged.	Search for the source of the debris/sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Clean/clear debris/sediment from screen or filter. Replace if it cannot be cleaned.

Sand Filter Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- The drainage area will be carefully managed to reduce the sediment load to the sand filter.
- The sedimentation chamber or forebay will be cleaned out whenever sediment depth exceeds six inches.
- Once a year, sand media will be skimmed.
- The sand filter media will be replaced whenever it fails to function properly after maintenance.

The sand filter will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
Entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
Adjacent pavement (if applicable)	Sediment is present on the pavement surface.	Sweep or vacuum the sediment as soon as possible.
Perimeter of sand filter	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at an appropriate height.
Flow diversion structure	The structure is clogged.	Unclog the conveyance and dispose of any sediment offsite.
	The structure is damaged.	Make any necessary repairs or replace if damage is too large for repair.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
Forebay or pretreatment area	Sediment has accumulated to a depth of greater than six inches.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and stabilize or dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If a pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
Filter bed and underdrain collection system	Water is ponding on the surface for more than 24 hours after a storm.	Check to see if the collector system is clogged and flush if necessary. If water still ponds, remove the top few inches of filter bed media and replace. If water still ponds, then consult an expert.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Stormwater Wetland Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- Immediately following construction of the stormwater wetland, bi-weekly inspections will be conducted and wetland plants will be watered bi-weekly until vegetation becomes established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the stormwater wetland will be fertilized after the first initial fertilization that is required to establish the wetland plants.
- Before and immediately after plant installation, monitor water level and adjust to ensure that plants are not completely unundated.
- Stable groundcover will be maintained in the drainage area to reduce the sediment load to the wetland.
- Once a year, a dam safety expert should inspect the embankment.

The stormwater wetland will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
Entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
Forebay	Sediment has accumulated in the forebay to a depth that inhibits the forebay from	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If a pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
Deep pool, shallow water and shallow land areas	Algal growth covers over 50% of the deep pool and shallow water areas.	Consult a professional to remove and control the algal growth.
	Cattails, phragmites or other invasive plants cover 50% of the deep pool and shallow	Remove invasives by physical removal or by wiping them with pesticide (do not spray) – consult a professional.
	Shallow land remains flooded more than 5 days after a storm event.	Unclog the outlet device immediately.
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application to establish the ground cover if necessary.
	Best professional practices show that pruning is needed to maintain optimal plant	Prune according to best professional practices.

Stormwater Wetland Maintenance Requirements (Continued)

	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
Embankment	A tree has started to grow on the embankment.	Consult a dam safety specialist to remove the tree.
	An annual inspection by appropriate professional shows that the embankment	Make all needed repairs.
	Evidence of muskrat or beaver activity is present.	Consult a professional to remove muskrats or beavers.
Micro pool	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.

Underground Detention Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- Important maintenance procedures:
- The drainage area will be carefully managed to reduce the sediment load to the underground facility.
- Once a year the underground facility will be thoroughly inspected for structural issues.
- Sediment must be removed from the pipe/vault system when the sediment accumulation depth is 6 inches or greater at any point within the storage pipe/vault.

The underground detention will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
Entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The inlet device	The inlet pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged (if applicable).	Replace the pipe.
	The structure is damaged.	Make any necessary repairs or replace if damage is too large for repair.
The underground vaults/pipes	Sediment accumulation of 6 inches or more at any point within the storage pipe/vault.	Remove sediment.
	Significant seepage or settlement accompanied by cracking within a small area of the vault/pipe system.	Retain assistance of a civil or geotechnical engineer qualified in the design or underground detention systems.
	Interior wall of the pipe/vault shows signs of improper joint alignment (sagging), elongation and displacement of joints, cracks, leaks, surface water, surface wear, loss of protective coating, corrosion or blocking.	Retain assistance of a civil or geotechnical engineer qualified in the design or underground detention systems.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs or damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the NC Division of Water Quality 401 Oversight Unit at 919-733-1786.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Cleanout the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged.	Repair or replace the outlet device.
	The outflow pipe is clogged.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	The outflow pipe is damaged.	Repair or replace the pipe.

Wet Detention Pond Maintenance Requirements

Important maintenance procedures:

- Immediately after the wet detention basin is established, the plants on the vegetated shelf and perimeter of the basin should be watered twice weekly if needed, until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the wet detention pond should be fertilized after the first initial fertilization that is required to establish the plants on the vegetated shelf.
- Stable groundcover should be maintained in the drainage area to reduce the sediment load to the wet detention basin.
- If the basin must be drained for an emergency or to perform maintenance, the flushing of sediment through the emergency drain should be minimized to the maximum extent practical.
- Once a year, a dam safety expert should inspect the embankment.

The underground detention will be inspected quarterly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches. Records of operation and maintenance shall be kept in a known set location and shall be available upon request. Inspection activities shall be performed as follows and maintenance activities shall commence **immediately** to remediate any problems observed per the table below.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
The entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the BMP	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.
The inlet device	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
The forebay	Sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than the original design depth for sediment storage.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
The vegetated shelf	Best professional practices show that pruning is needed to maintain optimal plant health.	Prune according to best professional practices
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application to establish the ground cover if a soil test indicates it is necessary.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.

Wet Detention Pond Maintenance Requirements (Continued)

The main treatment area	Sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than the original design sediment storage depth.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Algal growth covers over 50% of the area.	Consult a professional to remove and control the algal growth.
	Cattails, phragmites or other invasive plants cover 50% of the basin surface.	Remove the plants by wiping them with pesticide (do not spray).
The embankment	Shrubs have started to grow on the embankment.	Remove shrubs immediately.
	Evidence of muskrat or beaver activity is present.	Use traps to remove muskrats and consult a professional to remove beavers.
	A tree has started to grow on the embankment.	Consult a dam safety specialist to remove the tree.
	An annual inspection by an appropriate professional shows that the embankment needs repair. (if applicable)	Make all needed repairs.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Regional Office.
The measuring device used to determine the sediment elevation shall be such that it will give an accurate depth reading and not readily penetrate into accumulated sediments.		

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