

SANILAC COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Public  
Participation/Involvement  
Program (PPP)

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**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Application  
for Discharge of Stormwater to Surface Waters from a Municipal  
Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)**

SANILAC COUNTY

SANILAC COUNTY'S CORRESPONDING AGENCIES:

VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON  
SANILAC COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

It is the vision of Sanilac County, including the Village of Lexington and the Sanilac County Road Commission agencies, to increase the general public and business community's knowledge fulfilling the requirements found within the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Application for the Application for Discharge of Stormwater to Surface Waters from a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4).

This Public Participation/Involvement Program (PPP) includes the collaboration between the Village of Lexington and the Sanilac County Road Commission agencies to meet the minimum control measure requirements for the PPP of the NPDES MS4 Application to the maximum extent practicable. Both agencies will attempt to contact local decision makers, county residents, area businesses, and other interested groups to gain support and assistance in the implementation of the SWMP in the urbanized area of Sanilac County. This plan is to facilitate the involvement of watershed jurisdictions, agencies, organizations, stakeholders, and the general public in the development, implementation, and update of the SWMP. Special effort should be made to involve those entities with the authority, ability, and desire to bring about necessary change by developing and implementing the collaborative Public Participation / Involvement Program. (Source: EGLE PPP guidance document, 2009)

The permittee shall follow local public notice requirements, as appropriate, when notifying the public that a Stormwater Management Program must be implemented. Once the Stormwater Management Plan is approved by the Michigan Department of Environment Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), the SWMP shall be available for public review. The public shall be notified of when and where it is available and will be encouraged to become involved and participate with the implementation and periodic review of the SWMP.

The Best Management Practice (BMP) activities, located in Table 1 below, will be implemented to comply with the minimum control measures. A measurable goal, measure of assessment, schedule for implementation (months and years), including milestones and the frequency of the BMP, will be listed and implemented between both the Village of Lexington and the Sanilac County Road Commission.

**Table 1. Best Management Practice Activities**

Responsible Party	BMP Activity	Measurable Goal	Measure of Assessment	Schedule for Implementation	Interim Milestone	Frequency	
Sanilac County Agencies: The Village of Lexington and the Sanilac County Road Commission	A copy of the approved SWMP shall be available for public review, comment and inspection on each permittee's website.	Approximately 100 website hits each year.	View how many hits per year the website receives and how many individuals review the SWMP and provide feedback.			Provide the SWMP after the permit is submitted and accepted, maintain the website, email link and the effectiveness throughout the duration of the NPDES MS4 permit.	
	Provide an invitation via email link for the public to respond with feedback, review, comment and inspection regarding the SWMP. The public will be informed of where the SWMP is available per each permittee's website and the name of the stormwater management representative per permittee of whom the comments will be directed towards.	Approximately 40 responses/comments per year.	If this invitation and email link to each of the permittee's stormwater management representative is available on each permittee's respectable website and how many responses/comments are received.	Approximately 3 months after the permit is issued.	NOT APPLICABLE		
	Provide public involvement and participation in the implementation and periodic review of the SWMP with invitations via email with links to each permittee's website and calendar events of up-coming meetings, review sessions and local events.	Approximately 2 invitations per month via website.	Each invitation and link is present and accurate on each permittee's website and edits are made when necessary.	Approximately 6 months after the permit is issued.		Update and revise when necessary throughout the duration of the NPDES MS4 permit.	
	Post informational documents, guides and any helpful resources aimed at providing stormwater public education along with participating in a citizen or watershed advisory committee and/or pursuing cooperation with local stream or watershed protection organizations.	Approximately 5 Documents/Guides/Handouts posted per year. Attend monthly meetings or local events.	Information is kept up-to-date on each permittee's website and all relevant and helpful information is posted and edits are made when necessary.			Ongoing throughout the duration of the NPDES MS4 permit.	