

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Plan

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1 Introduction

1.1 MS4 Program

This Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Plan has been developed by the Town of West Newbury to address the requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA's) 2016 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) in Massachusetts, hereafter referred to as the "2016 Massachusetts MS4 Permit" or "MS4 Permit."

The 2016 Massachusetts MS4 Permit requires that each permittee, or regulated community, address six Minimum Control Measures. These measures include the following:

1. Public Education and Outreach
2. Public Involvement and Participation
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program
4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control
5. Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment (Post Construction Stormwater Management); and
6. Good Housekeeping and Pollution Prevention for Permittee Owned Operations.

Under Minimum Control Measure 3, the permittee is required to implement an IDDE program to systematically find and eliminate sources of non-stormwater discharges to its municipal separate storm sewer system and implement procedures to prevent such discharges. The IDDE program must also be recorded in a written (hardcopy or electronic) document. This IDDE Plan has been prepared to address this requirement.

1.2 Illicit Discharges

An "illicit discharge" is any discharge to a drainage system that is not composed entirely of stormwater, with the exception of discharges pursuant to a NPDES permit (other than the NPDES permit for discharges from the MS4) and discharges resulting from fire-fighting activities.

Illicit discharges may take a variety of forms. Illicit discharges may enter the drainage system through direct or indirect connections. Direct connections may be relatively obvious, such as cross-connections of sewer services to the storm drain system. Indirect illicit discharges may be more difficult to detect or address, such as failing septic systems that discharge untreated sewage to a ditch within the MS4, or a sump pump that discharges contaminated water on an intermittent basis.

Some illicit discharges are intentional, such as dumping used oil (or other pollutant) into catch basins, a resident or contractor illegally tapping a new sewer lateral into a storm drain pipe to avoid the costs of a sewer connection fee and service, and illegal dumping of yard wastes into surface waters.

Some illicit discharges are related to the unsuitability of original infrastructure to the modern regulatory environment. Examples of illicit discharges in this category include connected floor drains in old buildings, as well as sanitary sewer overflows that enter the drainage system. Sump pumps legally

connected to the storm drain system may be used inappropriately, such as for the disposal of floor washwater or old household products, in many cases due to a lack of understanding on the part of the homeowner.

Elimination of some discharges may require substantial costs and efforts, such as funding and designing a project to reconnect sanitary sewer laterals. Others, such as improving self-policing of dog waste management, can be accomplished by outreach in conjunction with the minimal additional cost of dog waste bins and the municipal commitment to disposal of collected materials on a regular basis.

Regardless of the intention, when not addressed, illicit discharges can contribute high levels of pollutants, such as heavy metals, toxics, oil, grease, solvents, nutrients, and pathogens to surface waters.

1.3 Allowable Non-Stormwater Discharges

The following categories of non-storm water discharges are allowed under the MS4 Permit unless the permittee, USEPA or Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) identifies any category or individual discharge of non-stormwater discharge as a significant contributor of pollutants to the MS4:

- Water line flushing
- Landscape irrigation
- Diverted stream flows
- Rising ground water
- Uncontaminated ground water infiltration (as defined at 40 CFR 35.2005(20))
- Uncontaminated pumped groundwater
- Discharge from potable water sources
- Foundation drains
- Air conditioning condensation
- Irrigation water, springs
- Water from crawl space pumps
- Footing drains
- Lawn watering
- Individual resident car washing
- De-chlorinated swimming pool discharges
- Street wash waters
- Residential building wash waters without detergents

If these discharges are identified as significant contributors to the MS4, they must be considered an “illicit discharge” and addressed in the IDDE Plan (i.e., control these sources so they are no longer significant contributors of pollutants, and/or eliminate them entirely).

1.4 Receiving Waters and Impairments

Table 1-1 lists the “impaired waters” within the boundaries of West Newbury’s regulated area based on the most recent Massachusetts Integrated List of Waters produced by MassDEP every two years. Impaired waters are water bodies that do not meet water quality standards for one or more designated use(s) such as recreation or aquatic habitat.

**Table 1-1. Impaired Waters
West Newbury, Massachusetts**

Water Body Name	Segment ID	Category	Impairment(s)	Associated Approved TMDL
Merrimack River	MA84A-05	5	Enterococcus	na

Category 4a Waters – impaired water bodies with a completed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).

Category 4c Waters – impaired water bodies where the impairment is not caused by a pollutant. No TMDL required.

Category 5 Waters – impaired water bodies that require a TMDL.

“Approved TMDLs” are those that have been approved by EPA as of the date of issuance of the 2016 MS4 Permit.

1.5 IDDE Program Goals, Framework, and Timeline

The goals of the IDDE program are to find and eliminate illicit discharges to municipal separate storm sewer system and to prevent illicit discharges from happening in the future. The program consists of the following major components as outlined in the MS4 Permit:

- Legal authority and regulatory mechanism to prohibit illicit discharges and enforce this prohibition
- Storm system mapping
- Inventory and ranking of outfalls
- Dry weather outfall screening
- Catchment investigations
- Identification/confirmation of illicit sources
- Illicit discharge removal
- Followup screening
- Employee training.

The IDDE investigation procedure framework is shown in **Figure 1-1**. The required timeline for implementing the IDDE program is shown in **Table 1-2**.

Figure 1-1. IDDE Investigation Procedure Framework

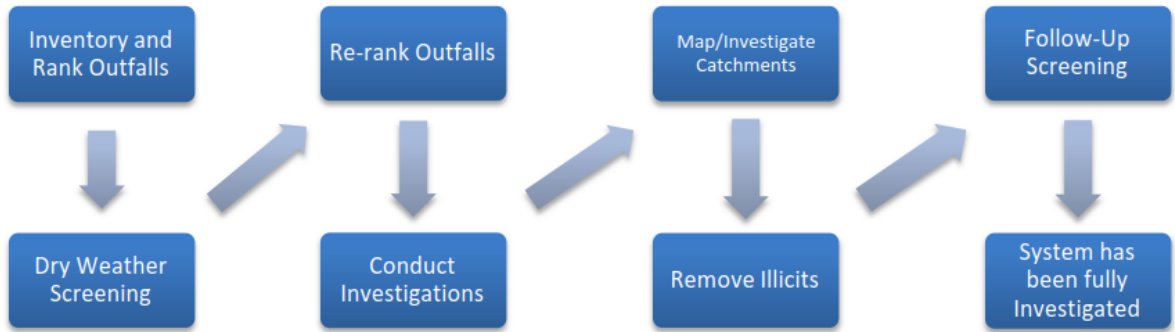


Table 1-2. IDDE Program Implementation Timeline

IDDE Program Requirement	Completion Date from Effective Date of Permit					
	1 Year	1.5 Years	2 Years	3 Years	7 Years	10 Years
Written IDDE Program Plan	X					
SSO Inventory	X					
Written Catchment Investigation Procedure		X				
Phase I Mapping			X			
Phase II Mapping						X
IDDE Regulatory Mechanism or By-law (if not already in place)				X		
Dry Weather Outfall Screening				X		
Follow-up Ranking of Outfalls and Interconnections				X		
Catchment Investigations – Problem Outfalls					X	
Catchment Investigations – all Problem, High and Low Priority Outfalls						X

1.6 Work Completed to Date

The 2003 MS4 Permit required each MS4 community to develop a plan to detect illicit discharges using a combination of storm system mapping, adopting a regulatory mechanism to prohibit illicit discharges and enforce this prohibition, and identifying tools and methods to investigate suspected illicit discharges. Each MS4 community was also required to define how confirmed discharges would be eliminated and how the removal would be documented.

West Newbury completed the following IDDE program activities consistent with the 2003 MS4 Permit requirements:

- Developed a map of outfalls, and
- Adopted an IDDE bylaw or regulatory mechanism.

As of September 2021, West Newbury has completed the following additional activities in compliance with the 2016 MS4 Permit requirements:

- Phase 1 drainage system map,
- Assessment and initial priority ranking of outfalls,
- Dry-weather outfall screening, and
- Update to outfall priority ranking.

2 Authority and Statement of IDDE Responsibilities

2.1 Legal Authority

West Newbury has adopted regulations prohibiting illicit connections in 2009. A copy of the regulation is provided in **Appendix A**. The Regulation provides West Newbury with adequate legal authority to:

- Prevent pollutants from entering the MS4
- Prohibit illicit connections and unauthorized discharges to the MS4
- Investigate suspected illicit discharges
- Comply with state and federal statutes and regulations relating to stormwater discharges
- Establish the legal authority to ensure compliance with proper inspection, monitoring and enforcement
- Prevent contamination of drinking water supplies

West Newbury will review its current regulation and related land use regulations and policies for consistency with the 2016 MS4 Permit.

2.2 Statement of Responsibilities

West Newbury's departments responsible for implementing the IDDE program pursuant to the provisions of this plan of the include:

- Department of Public Works
- Building Inspector
- Licensed Plumbing Inspector
- Health Department
- Conservation Agent
- Conservation Commission
- Planning Board Chairperson
- Board of Selectmen
- Town Administrator

3 Stormwater System Mapping

West Newbury, with assistance from the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission (MVPC), originally developed mapping of its stormwater system to meet the mapping requirements of the 2003 MS4 Permit. The 2016 MS4 Permit requires the storm system map to be updated in two phases as outlined below. The Department of Public Works, with assistance from MVPC, is responsible for updating the stormwater system mapping pursuant to the 2016 MS4 Permit.

During 2019 and 2020, West Newbury updated the original mapping to include the elements listed below for Phase 1 mapping. West Newbury's current storm system map is provided in **Appendix B** and is available on West Newbury's map viewer at:

<https://mimap.mvpc.org/map/index.html?viewer=westnewbury>

3.1 Phase I Mapping

Phase I mapping must be completed within two (2) years of the effective date of the permit (June 30, 2020) and include the following information:

- Outfalls and receiving waters (previously required by the MS4-2003 permit)
- Open channel conveyances (swales, ditches, etc.)
- Interconnections with other MS4s and other storm sewer systems
- Municipally owned stormwater treatment structures
- Water bodies identified by name and indication of all use impairments as identified on the most recent EPA approved Massachusetts Integrated List of Waters report
- Initial catchment delineations. Topographic contours and drainage system information may be used to produce initial catchment delineations.

3.2 Phase II Mapping

Phase II mapping must be completed within ten (10) years of the effective date of the permit (June 30, 2028) and include the following information:

- Outfall spatial location (latitude and longitude with a minimum accuracy of +/-30 feet)
- Pipes
- Manholes
- Catch basins
- Refined catchment delineations. Catchment delineations must be updated to reflect information collected during catchment investigations.
- Municipal Sanitary Sewer system (if available)
- Municipal combined sewer system (if applicable).

As of September 2021, West Newbury has completed the following updates to its stormwater mapping to meet the Phase II requirements:

- Outfall spatial location
- Pipes

3.3 Additional Recommended Mapping Elements

Although not a requirement of the 2016 MS4 Permit, West Newbury will make efforts to include the following recommended elements in its storm system mapping:

- Storm sewer material, size (pipe diameter), age
- Privately owned stormwater treatment structures
- Area where the permittee's MS4 has received or could receive flow from septic system discharges
- Seasonal high water table elevations impacting sanitary alignments
- Topography
- Orthophotography
- Alignments, dates and representation of work completed of past illicit discharge investigations
- Locations of suspected confirmed and corrected illicit discharges with dates and flow estimates.

4 Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs)

The 2016 MS4 Permit requires municipalities to prohibit illicit discharges, including sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), to the separate storm sewer system. SSOs are discharges of untreated sanitary wastewater from a municipal sanitary sewer that can contaminate surface waters, cause serious water quality problems and property damage, and threaten public health. SSOs can be caused by blockages, line breaks, sewer defects that allow stormwater and groundwater to overload the system, power failures, improper sewer design, and vandalism.

West Newbury discharges sanitary sewer waste to on-site disposal systems (septic systems) for all properties within the Town and regulated area. Therefore, West Newbury has had no SSOs within the five (5) years prior to the effective date of the 2016 MS4 Permit, as noted in **Table 4-1**.

If this condition changes, West Newbury will monitor, report and eliminate an SSO should one occur. Upon becoming aware of an SSO to the MS4, West Newbury will provide oral notice to EPA within 24 hours and written notice to EPA and MassDEP within five (5) days of becoming aware of the SSO occurrence.

The inventory in **Table 4-1** will be updated by the Department of Public Works when or if sanitary sewers are detected. The SSO inventory will be included in the annual report, including the status of mitigation and corrective measures to address each identified SSO.

5 Assessment and Priority Ranking of Outfalls

The 2016 MS4 Permit requires an assessment and priority ranking of outfalls in terms of their potential to have illicit discharges and SSOs and the related public health significance. The ranking helps determine the priority order for performing IDDE investigations and meeting permit milestones.

5.1 Outfall Catchment Delineations

A catchment is the area that drains to an individual outfall¹ or interconnection.² The catchments for each of the MS4 outfalls will be delineated to define contributing areas for investigation of potential sources of illicit discharges. Catchments are typically delineated based on topographic contours and mapped drainage infrastructure, where available. As described in **Section 3**, initial catchment delineations will be completed as part of the Phase I mapping, and refined catchment delineations will be completed as part of the Phase II mapping to reflect information collected during catchment investigations

5.2 Outfall and Interconnection Inventory and Initial Ranking

West Newbury will complete an initial outfall and interconnection inventory and priority ranking to assess illicit discharge potential based on existing information. The initial inventory and ranking will be completed within one (1) year from the effective date of the permit. An updated inventory and ranking will be provided in each annual report thereafter. The inventory will be updated annually to include data collected in connection with dry weather screening and other relevant inspections.

The outfall and interconnection inventory will identify each outfall and interconnection discharging from the MS4, record its location and condition, and provide a framework for tracking inspections, screenings and other IDDE program activities.

Outfalls and interconnections will be classified into one of the following categories:

1. **Problem Outfalls:** Outfalls/interconnections with known or suspected contributions of illicit discharges based on existing information shall be designated as Problem Outfalls. This shall include any outfalls/interconnections where previous screening indicates likely sewer input. Likely sewer input indicators are any of the following:

- Olfactory or visual evidence of sewage,

¹ **Outfall** means a point source as defined by 40 CFR § 122.2 as the point where the municipal separate storm sewer discharges to waters of the United States. An outfall does not include open conveyances connecting two municipal separate storm sewers or pipes, tunnels or other conveyances that connect segments of the same stream or other waters of the United States and that are used to convey waters of the United States. Culverts longer than a simple road crossing shall be included in the inventory unless the permittee can confirm that they are free of any connections and simply convey waters of the United States.

² **Interconnection** means the point (excluding sheet flow over impervious surfaces) where the permittee's MS4 discharges to another MS4 or other storm sewer system, through which the discharge is conveyed to waters of the United States or to another storm sewer system and eventually to a water of the United States.

- Ammonia \geq 0.5 mg/L, surfactants \geq 0.25 mg/L, and bacteria levels greater than the water quality criteria applicable to the receiving water, or
- Ammonia \geq 0.5 mg/L, surfactants \geq 0.25 mg/L, and detectable levels of chlorine.

Dry weather screening and sampling, as described in **Section 6** of this IDDE Plan and Part 2.3.4.7.b of the MS4 Permit, is not required for Problem Outfalls.

2. High Priority Outfalls: Outfalls/interconnections that have not been classified as Problem Outfalls and that are:

- Discharging to an area of concern to public health due to proximity of public beaches, recreational areas, drinking water supplies or shellfish beds
- Determined by the permittee as high priority based on the characteristics listed below or other available information.

3. Low Priority Outfalls: Outfalls/interconnections determined by the permittee as low priority based on the characteristics listed below or other available information.

4. Excluded outfalls: Outfalls/interconnections with no potential for illicit discharges may be excluded from the IDDE program. This category is limited to roadway drainage in undeveloped areas with no dwellings and no sanitary sewers; drainage for athletic fields, parks or undeveloped green space and associated parking without services; cross-country drainage alignments (that neither cross nor are in proximity to sanitary sewer alignments) through undeveloped land.

Outfalls will be ranked into the above priority categories (except for excluded outfalls, which may be excluded from the IDDE program) based on the following characteristics of the defined initial catchment areas, where information is available. Additional relevant characteristics, including location-specific characteristics, may be considered but must be documented in this IDDE Plan.

- **Previous screening results** – previous screening/sampling results indicate likely sewer input (see criteria above for Problem Outfalls).
- **Past discharge complaints and reports.**
- **Poor receiving water quality** – the following guidelines are recommended to identify waters as having a high illicit discharge potential:
 - Exceeding water quality standards for bacteria
 - Ammonia levels above 0.5 mg/l
 - Surfactants levels greater than or equal to 0.25 mg/l
- **Density of generating sites** – Generating sites are those places, including institutional, municipal, commercial, or industrial sites, with a potential to generate pollutants that could contribute to illicit discharges. Examples of these sites include, but are not limited to, car dealers; car washes; gas stations; garden centers; and industrial manufacturing areas.

- **Age of development and infrastructure** – Industrial areas greater than 40 years old and areas where the sanitary sewer system is more than 40 years old will probably have a high illicit discharge potential. Developments 20 years or younger will probably have a low illicit discharge potential.
- **Surrounding density of aging septic systems** – Septic systems thirty years or older in residential land use areas are prone to have failures and may have a high illicit discharge potential.
- **Culverted streams** – Any river or stream that is culverted for distances greater than a simple roadway crossing may have a high illicit discharge potential.
- **Water quality limited waterbodies** that receive a discharge from the MS4 or waters with approved TMDLs applicable to the permittee, where illicit discharges have the potential to contain the pollutant identified as the cause of the water quality impairment.

Table 5-1 provides a West Newbury’s outfall inventory and priority ranking matrix.

Table 5 1. Outfall Inventory and Priority Ranking Matrix

West Newbury, Massachusetts

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Outfall ID	Outfall Location	Watershed	Previous Screening Results Indicate Likely Sewer Input? ¹	Discharging to Area of Concern to Drinking Water Supply (Zone II)	Frequency of Past Discharge Complaints	Receiving Water Quality ³	Density of Generating Sites ⁴	Age of Development/ Infrastructure ⁵	Historic Combined Sewers or Septic? ⁶	Aging Septic? ⁷	Culverted Streams? ⁸	Score	Priority Ranking
Information Source			Outfall inspections and sample results	GIS Maps	Town Staff	Impaired Waters List	Land Use/GIS Maps, Aerial Photography	Land Use Information, Visual Observation	Town Staff, GIS Maps	Land Use, Town Staff	GIS and Storm System Maps		
Scoring Criteria			Yes = 3 (Problem Outfall) No = 0	Yes = 3 No = 0	Frequent = 3 Occasional = 2 None = 0	Poor = 3 Fair = 2 Good = 0	High = 3 Medium = 2 Low = 1	High = 3 Medium = 2 Low = 1	Yes = 3 No = 0	Yes = 3 No = 0	Yes = 3 No = 0		
17	Rivercrest Dr	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
23	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	3	0	8	High
46	Whetstone St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	3	0	8	High
446	Pentucket school	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
447	Meadow Sweet Rd	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
846	Pleasant St	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
849	Waterside Ln	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
1246	Church St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	3	0	8	High
1249	Stewart St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
1251	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
1253	Prospect St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
1646	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
1647	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2847	Meetinghouse Hill Rd	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2848	Barberry Ln	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2849	Prospect St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2852	Rivercrest Dr	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
2854	Pentucket school	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2855	Chestnut St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2856	Meadow Sweet Rd	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2863	Marshall Dr	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2866	Sullivan Ct	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
2867	Bachelor St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2869	Stewart St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2872	Bachelor St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2873	Rivercrest Dr	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2874	Church St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2877	Bachelor St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2879	Stewart St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2881	Pentucket school	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2883	Rivercrest Dr	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
2885	Bachelor St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3000	Twig Rush Ln	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3001	Rivercrest Dr	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3002	Meadow Sweet Rd	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3005	Pleasant St	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
3006	Dole Pl	Merrimack River	0	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	8	High
3007	Prospect St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High

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3008	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3009	Bridge St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3010	Hickory Ct	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3011	Boynton Ct	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3012	Bachelor St	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3014	Barberry Ln	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3015	Barberry Ln	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
3016	Barberry Ln	Merrimack River	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	5	High
6	Crane Neck St	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
8	Georgetown Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
2846	Newell Farm Dr	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
2857	Robin Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
2858	Georgetown Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
2859	Crane Neck St	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
2864	Maple St	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	5	Low
3017	Georgetown Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
3018	Georgetown Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
3019	Maple St	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
3020	Maple St	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low
3021	Meetinghouse Hill Rd	Parker River	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	Low

Scoring Criteria:

¹ Previous screening results indicate likely sewer input if any of the following are true:

- Olfactory or visual evidence of sewage,
- Ammonia ≥ 0.5 mg/L, surfactants ≥ 0.25 mg/L, and bacteria levels greater than the water quality criteria applicable to the receiving water, or
- Ammonia ≥ 0.5 mg/L, surfactants ≥ 0.25 mg/L, and detectable levels of chlorine

² Outfalls/interconnections that discharge to or in the vicinity of any of the following areas: public beaches, recreational areas, drinking water supplies, or shellfish beds

³ Receiving water quality based on latest version of MassDEP Integrated List of Waters.

- Poor = Waters with approved TMDLs (Category 4a Waters) where illicit discharges have the potential to contain the pollutant identified as the cause of the impairment
- Fair = Water quality limited waterbodies that receive a discharge from the MS4 (Category 5 Waters)
- Good = No water quality impairments

⁴ Generating sites are institutional, municipal, commercial, or industrial sites with a potential to contribute to illicit discharges (e.g., car dealers, car washes, gas stations, garden centers, industrial manufacturing, etc.)

⁵ Age of development and infrastructure:

- High = Industrial areas greater than 40 years old and areas where the sanitary sewer system is more than 40 years old
- Medium = Developments 20-40 years old
- Low = Developments less than 20 years old

⁶ Areas once served by combined sewers and but have been separated, or areas once served by septic systems but have been converted to sanitary sewers. West Newbury has no sanitary sewer system in town.

⁷ Aging septic systems are septic systems 30 years or older in residential areas.

⁸ Any river or stream that is culverted for distance greater than a simple roadway crossing.

6 Dry Weather Outfall Screening and Sampling

Dry weather flow is a common indicator of potential illicit connections. The MS4 Permit requires all outfalls/interconnections (excluding Problem and excluded Outfalls) to be inspected for the presence of dry weather flow. The Department of Public Works is responsible for conducting dry weather outfall screening, starting with High Priority outfalls, followed by Low Priority outfalls, based on the initial priority rankings described in the previous section.

6.1 Weather Conditions

Dry weather outfall screening and sampling may occur when no more than 0.1 inches of rainfall has occurred in the previous 24-hour period and no significant snow melt is occurring. For purposes of determining dry weather conditions, program staff will use precipitation data from National Weather Service, Lawrence Municipal Airport (<https://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=42.7908&lon=-70.9688#.XPVf8ihYaUm>), by clicking on “3 Day History”. If this weather station is not available or not reporting current weather data, then the West Newbury Station from Weather Underground will be used as a back-up (<https://www.wunderground.com/weather/us/ma/west-newbury/KMAWESTN8>).

6.2 Dry Weather Screening/Sampling Procedure

6.2.1 General Procedure

The Town of West Newbury intends to subcontract dry weather screening and sampling to a subcontractor; however, is outlining the general procedure for inspection and sampling protocol. The subcontractor will be responsible for selecting the appropriate sampling equipment to meet the general procedures outlined herein. The dry weather outfall inspection and sampling procedure consists of the following general steps:

1. Identify outfall(s) to be screened/sampled based on initial outfall inventory and priority ranking
2. Acquire the necessary staff, mapping, and field equipment (see **Table 6-1** for list of potential field equipment)
3. Conduct the outfall inspection during dry weather:
 - a. Mark and photograph the outfall
 - b. Record the inspection information and outfall characteristics (using paper forms or digital form using a tablet or similar device) (see example form in **Appendix C**)
 - c. Look for and record visual/olfactory evidence of pollutants in flowing outfalls including odor, color, turbidity, and floatable matter (suds, bubbles, excrement, toilet paper or sanitary products). Also observe outfalls for deposits and stains, vegetation, and damage to outfall structures.
4. If flow is observed, sample and test the flow following the procedures described in the following sections.
5. If no flow is observed, but evidence of illicit flow exists (illicit discharges are often intermittent or transitory), revisit the outfall during dry weather within one week of the initial observation, if practicable, to perform a second dry weather screening and sample any observed flow. Other

techniques can be used to detect intermittent or transitory flows including conducting inspections during evenings or weekends and using optical brighteners.

6. Input results from screening and sampling into spreadsheet/database. Include pertinent information in the outfall/interconnection inventory and priority ranking.
7. Include all screening data in the annual report.

Previous outfall screening/sampling conducted under the 2013 MS4 Permit may be used to satisfy the dry weather outfall/screening requirements of the 2016 MS4 Permit only if the previous screening and sampling was substantially equivalent to that required by the 2016 MS4 Permit, including the list of analytes outlined in Section 2.3.4.7.b.iii.4 of the 2016 permit.

Standard operating procedures for dry weather outfall inspections are provided in **Appendix C**.

6.2.2 Field Equipment

Table 6-1 lists field equipment commonly used for dry weather outfall screening and sampling.

Table 6-1. Field Equipment – Dry Weather Outfall Screening and Sampling

Equipment	Use/Notes
Clipboard	For organization of field sheets and writing surface
Field Sheets	Field sheets for both dry weather inspection and Dry weather sampling should be available with extras
Chain of Custody Forms	To ensure proper handling of all samples
Pens/Pencils/Permanent Markers	For proper labeling
Nitrile Gloves	To protect the sampler as well as the sample from contamination
Flashlight/headlamp w/batteries	For looking in outfalls or manholes, helpful in early mornings as well
Cooler with Ice	For transporting samples to the laboratory
Digital Camera	For documenting field conditions at time of inspection
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	Reflective vest, Safety glasses and boots at a minimum
GPS Receiver	For taking spatial location data
Water Quality Sonde	If needed, for sampling conductivity, temperature, pH
Water Quality Meter	Hand held meter, if available, for testing for various water quality parameters such as ammonia, surfactants and chlorine
Test Kits	Have extra kits on hand to sample more outfalls than are anticipated to be screened in a single day
Label Tape	For labeling sample containers
Sample Containers	Make sure all sample containers are clean. Keep extra sample containers on hand at all times. Make sure there are proper sample containers for what is being sampled for (i.e., bacteria requires sterile containers).
Pry Bar or Pick	For opening catch basins and manholes when necessary
Sandbags	For damming low flows in order to take samples
Small Mallet or Hammer	Helping to free stuck manhole and catch basin covers

Equipment	Use/Notes
Utility Knife	Multiple uses
Measuring Tape	Measuring distances and depth of flow
Safety Cones	Safety
Hand Sanitizer	Disinfectant/decontaminant
Zip Ties/Duct Tape	For making field repairs
Rubber Boots/Waders	For accessing shallow streams/areas
Sampling Pole/Dipper/Sampling Cage	For accessing hard to reach outfalls and manholes

6.2.3 Sample Collection and Analysis

If flow is present during a dry weather outfall inspection, a sample will be collected and analyzed for the required permit parameters³ listed in **Table 6-2**. The general procedure for collection of outfall samples is as follows:

1. Fill out all sample information on sample bottles and field sheets
2. Put on protective gloves (nitrile/latex/other) before sampling
3. Collect sample with dipper or directly in sample containers. If possible, collect water from the flow directly in the sample bottle. Be careful not to disturb sediments.
4. If using a dipper or other device, triple rinse the device with distilled water and then in water to be sampled (not for bacteria sampling)
5. Use test strips, test kits, and field meters (rinse similar to dipper) for most parameters (see **Table 6-2**)
6. Place laboratory samples on ice for analysis of bacteria and pollutants of concern
7. Fill out chain-of-custody form for laboratory samples
8. Coordinate to have a courier from Alpha Analytical – Environmental Laboratory pick up samples
9. Dispose of used test strips and test kit ampules properly
10. Decontaminate all testing personnel and equipment

In the event that an outfall is submerged, either partially or completely, or inaccessible, field staff will proceed to the first accessible upstream manhole or structure for the observation and sampling and report the location with the screening results. Field staff will continue to the next upstream structure until there is no longer an influence from the receiving water on the visual inspection or sampling.

Field test kits or field instrumentation are permitted for all parameters except indicator bacteria and any pollutants of concern. Field kits need to have appropriate detection limits and ranges. **Table 6-2** lists various field test kits and field instruments that can be used for outfall sampling associated with the 2016 MS4 Permit parameters, other than indicator bacteria and any pollutants of concern. Standard operating procedures for water quality screening are provided in **Appendix D**.

³ Other potentially useful parameters, although not required by the MS4 Permit, include **fluoride** (indicator of potable water sources in areas where water supplies are fluoridated), **potassium** (high levels may indicate the presence of sanitary wastewater), and **optical brighteners** (indicative of laundry detergents).

Table 6-2. Sampling Parameters and Analysis Methods

Analyte or Parameter	Suggested Instrumentation (Portable Meter)	Field Test Kit
Ammonia	CHEMetrics™ V-2000 Colorimeter Hach™ DR/890 Colorimeter Hach™ Pocket Colorimeter™ II	CHEMetrics™ K-1410 CHEMetrics™ K-1510 (series) Hach™ NI-SA Hach™ Ammonia Test Strips
Surfactants (Detergents)	CHEMetrics™ I-2017	CHEMetrics™ K-9400 and K-9404 Hach™ DE-2
Chlorine	CHEMetrics™ V-2000, K-2513 Hach™ Pocket Colorimeter™ II	NA
Conductivity	CHEMetrics™ I-1200 YSI Pro30 YSI EC300A Oakton 450	NA
Temperature	YSI Pro30 YSI EC300A Oakton 450	NA
Salinity	YSI Pro30 YSI EC300A Oakton 450	NA
Temperature	YSI Pro30 YSI EC300A Oakton 450	NA
Indicator Bacteria: <i>E. coli</i> (freshwater) or Enterococcus (saline water)	EPA certified laboratory procedure (40 CFR § 136)	NA
Pollutants of Concern ¹	EPA certified laboratory procedure (40 CFR § 136)	NA

¹ Where the discharge is directly into a water quality limited water or a water subject to an approved TMDL, the sample must be analyzed for the pollutant(s) of concern identified as the cause of the water quality impairment.

Testing for indicator bacteria and any pollutants of concern must be conducted using analytical methods and procedures found in 40 CFR § 136.⁴ Samples for laboratory analysis must also be stored and preserved in accordance with procedures found in 40 CFR § 136. **Table 6-3** lists analytical methods, detection limits, hold times, and preservatives for laboratory analysis of dry weather sampling parameters.

⁴ 40 CFR § 136: <http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?SID=b3b41fdea0b7b0b8cd6c4304d86271b7&mc=true&node=pt40.25.136&rgn=div5>

Table 6-3. Required Analytical Methods, Detection Limits, Hold Times, and Preservatives⁴

Analyte or Parameter	Analytical Method	Detection Limit	Max. Hold Time	Preservative
Ammonia	EPA: 350.2, SM: 4500-NH3C	0.05 mg/L	28 days	Cool ≤6°C, H ₂ SO ₄ to pH <2, No preservative required if analyzed immediately
Surfactants	SM: 5540-C	0.01 mg/L	48 hours	Cool ≤6°C
Chlorine	SM: 4500-Cl G	0.02 mg/L	Analyze within 15 minutes	None Required
Temperature	SM: 2550B	NA	Immediate	None Required
Specific Conductance	EPA: 120.1, SM: 2510B	0.2 µs/cm	28 days	Cool ≤6°C
Salinity	SM: 2520	-	28 days	Cool ≤6°C
Indicator Bacteria: <i>E. coli</i> Enterococcus	<i>E. coli</i> EPA: 1603 SM: 9221B, 9221F, 9223 B Other: Colilert®, Colilert-18® <i>Enterococcus</i> EPA: 1600 SM: 9230 C Other: Enterolert®	<i>E. coli</i> EPA: 1 cfu/100mL SM: 2 MPN/100mL Other: 1 MPN/100mL <i>Enterococcus</i> EPA: 1 cfu/100mL SM: 1 MPN/100mL Other: 1 MPN/100mL	8 hours	Cool ≤10°C, 0.0008% Na ₂ S ₂ O ₃
Total Phosphorus	EPA: Manual-365.3, Automated Ascorbic acid digestion-365.1 Rev. 2, ICP/AES4-200.7 Rev. 4.4 SM: 4500-P E-F	EPA: 0.01 mg/L SM : 0.01 mg/L	28 days	Cool ≤6°C, H ₂ SO ₄ to pH <2
Total Nitrogen (Ammonia + Nitrate/Nitrite, methods are for Nitrate-Nitrite and need to be combined with Ammonia listed above.)	EPA: Cadmium reduction (automated)-353.2 Rev. 2.0, SM: 4500-NO ₃ E-F	EPA: 0.05 mg/L SM : 0.05 mg/L	28 days	Cool ≤6°C, H ₂ SO ₄ to pH <2

SM = Standard Methods

6.3 Interpreting Outfall Sampling Results

Outfall analytical data from dry weather sampling can be used to help identify the major type or source of discharge. **Table 6-4** shows values identified by the U.S. EPA and the Center for Watershed Protection as typical screening values for select parameters. These represent the typical concentration (or value) of each parameter expected to be found in stormwater. Screening values that exceed these benchmarks may be indicative of pollution and/or illicit discharges.

Table 6-4. Benchmark Field Measurements for Select Parameters

Analyte or Parameter	Benchmark
Ammonia	>0.5 mg/L
Conductivity	>2,000 µS/cm
Surfactants	>0.25 mg/L
Chlorine	>0.02 mg/L (detectable levels per the 2016 MS4 Permit)
Indicator Bacteria ⁵ : <i>E.coli</i> <i>Enterococcus</i>	<i>E.coli</i> : the geometric mean of the five most recent samples taken during the same bathing season shall not exceed 126 colonies per 100 ml and no single sample taken during the bathing season shall exceed 235 colonies per 100 ml <i>Enterococcus</i> : the geometric mean of the five most recent samples taken during the same bathing season shall not exceed 33 colonies per 100 ml and no single sample taken during the bathing season shall exceed 61 colonies per 100 ml

6.4 Follow-up Ranking of Outfalls and Interconnections

West Newbury will update and re-prioritize the initial outfall and interconnection rankings based on information gathered during dry weather screening. The rankings will be updated periodically as dry weather screening information becomes available but will be completed within three (3) years of the effective date of the permit.

Outfalls/interconnections where relevant information was found indicating sewer input to the MS4 or sampling results indicating sewer input are highly likely to contain illicit discharges from sanitary sources. Such outfalls/interconnections will be ranked at the top of the High Priority Outfalls category for investigation. Other outfalls and interconnections may be re-ranked based on any new information from the dry weather screening.

This follow-up ranking was completed in September 2021 and is presented in Table 5.1.

7 Catchment Investigations

Once stormwater outfalls with evidence of illicit discharges have been identified, various methods can be used to trace the source of the potential discharge within the outfall catchment area. Catchment investigation techniques include but are not limited to review of maps, historic plans, and records; manhole observation; dry and wet weather sampling; video inspection; smoke testing; and dye testing. This section outlines a systematic procedure to investigate outfall catchments to trace the source of

⁵ Massachusetts Water Quality Standards: <http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/service/regulations/314cmr04.pdf>

potential illicit discharges. All data collected as part of the catchment investigations will be recorded and reported in each annual report.

7.1 System Vulnerability Factors

The Department of Public Works will review relevant mapping and historic plans and records to identify areas within the catchment with higher potential for illicit connections. The following information will be reviewed:

- Plans related to the construction of the drainage network
- Prior work on storm drains
- Board of Health or other municipal data on septic systems
- Septic system breakouts.

Based on the review of this information, the presence of any of the following **System Vulnerability Factors (SVFs)** will be identified for each catchment:

- History of SSOs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from wet weather, high water table, or fat/oil/grease blockages
- Common or twin-invert manholes serving storm and sanitary sewer alignments
- Common trench construction serving both storm and sanitary sewer alignments
- Crossings of storm and sanitary sewer alignments where the sanitary system is shallower than the storm drain system
- Sanitary sewer alignments known or suspected to have been constructed with an underdrain system
- Inadequate sanitary sewer level of service (LOS) resulting in regular surcharging, customer back-ups, or frequent customer complaints
- Areas formerly served by combined sewer systems
- Sanitary sewer infrastructure defects such as leaking service laterals, cracked, broken, or offset sanitary infrastructure, directly piped connections between storm drain and sanitary sewer infrastructure, or other vulnerability factors identified through Inflow/Infiltration Analyses, Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Surveys, or other infrastructure investigations
- Sewer pump/lift stations, siphons, or known sanitary sewer restrictions where power/equipment failures or blockages could readily result in SSOs
- Any sanitary sewer and storm drain infrastructure greater than 40 years old
- Widespread code-required septic system upgrades required at property transfers (indicative of inadequate soils, water table separation, or other physical constraints of the area rather than poor owner maintenance)
- History of multiple Board of Health actions addressing widespread septic system failures (indicative of inadequate soils, water table separation, or other physical constraints of the area rather than poor owner maintenance).

A SVF inventory will be documented for each catchment (see **Table 7-1**), retained as part of this IDDE Plan, and included in the annual report.

Table 7-1. Outfall Catchment System Vulnerability Factor (SVF) Inventory

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Outfall ID	Receiving Water	1 History of SSOs	2 Common or Twin Invert Manholes	3 Common Trench Construction	4 Storm/Sanitary Crossings (Sanitary Above)	5 Sanitary Lines with Underdrains	6 Inadequate Sanitary Level of Service	7 Areas Formerly Served by Combined Sewers	8 Sanitary Infrastructure Defects	9 SSO Potential In Event of System Failures	10 Sanitary and Storm Drain Infrastructure >40 years Old	11 Septic with Poor Soils or Water Table Separation	12 History of BOH Actions Addressing Septic Failure

Presence/Absence Evaluation Criteria:

1. History of SSOs, including, but not limited to, those resulting from wet weather, high water table, or fat/oil/grease blockages
2. Common or twin-invert manholes serving storm and sanitary sewer alignments
3. Common trench construction serving both storm and sanitary sewer alignments
4. Crossings of storm and sanitary sewer alignments where the sanitary system is shallower than the storm drain system
5. Sanitary sewer alignments known or suspected to have been constructed with an underdrain system
6. Inadequate sanitary sewer level of service (LOS) resulting in regular surcharging, customer back-ups, or frequent customer complaints
7. Areas formerly served by combined sewer systems
8. Sanitary sewer infrastructure defects such as leaking service laterals, cracked, broken, or offset sanitary infrastructure, directly piped connections between storm drain and sanitary sewer infrastructure, or other vulnerability factors identified through Inflow/Infiltration Analyses, Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Surveys, or other infrastructure investigations
9. Sewer pump/lift stations, siphons, or known sanitary sewer restrictions where power/equipment failures or blockages could readily result in SSOs
10. Any sanitary sewer and storm drain infrastructure greater than 40 years old
11. Widespread code-required septic system upgrades required at property transfers (indicative of inadequate soils, water table separation, or other physical constraints of the area rather than poor owner maintenance)
12. History of multiple Board of Health actions addressing widespread septic system failures (indicative of inadequate soils, water table separation, or other physical constraints of the area rather than poor owner maintenance)

7.2 Dry Weather Manhole Inspections

West Newbury will implement a dry weather storm drain network investigation that involves systematically and progressively observing, sampling and evaluating key junction manholes in the MS4 to determine the approximate location of suspected illicit discharges or SSOs.

West Newbury will be responsible for implementing the dry weather manhole inspection program and making updates as necessary. Infrastructure information will be incorporated into the storm system map, and catchment delineations will be refined based on the field investigation, where necessary. The SVF inventory will also be updated based on information obtained during the field investigations, where necessary.

Several important terms related to the dry weather manhole inspection program are defined by the MS4 Permit as follows:

- **Junction Manhole** is a manhole or structure with two or more inlets accepting flow from two or more MS4 alignments. Manholes with inlets solely from private storm drains, individual catch basins, or both are not considered junction manholes for these purposes.
- **Key Junction Manholes** are those junction manholes that can represent one or more junction manholes without compromising adequate implementation of the illicit discharge program. Adequate implementation of the illicit discharge program would not be compromised if the exclusion of a particular junction manhole as a key junction manhole would not affect the permittee's ability to determine the possible presence of an upstream illicit discharge. A permittee may exclude a junction manhole located upstream from another located in the immediate vicinity or that is serving a drainage alignment with no potential for illicit connections.

For all catchments identified for investigation, during dry weather, field crews will systematically inspect **key junction manholes** for evidence of illicit discharges. This program involves progressive inspection and sampling at manholes in the storm drain network to isolate and eliminate illicit discharges.

The manhole inspection methodology will be conducted in one of two ways (or a combination of both):

- By working progressively up from the outfall and inspecting key junction manholes along the way, or
- By working progressively down from the upper parts of the catchment toward the outfall.

For most catchments, manhole inspections will proceed from the outfall moving up into the system. However, the decision to move up or down the system depends on the nature of the drainage system and the surrounding land use and the availability of information on the catchment and drainage system. Moving up the system can begin immediately when an illicit discharge is detected at an outfall, and only a map of the storm drain system is required. Moving down the system requires more advance preparation and reliable drainage system information on the upstream segments of the storm drain system, but may be more efficient if the sources of illicit discharges are believed to be located in the

upstream portions of the catchment area. Once a manhole inspection methodology has been selected, investigations will continue systematically through the catchment.

Inspection of key junction manholes will proceed as follows:

1. Manholes will be opened and inspected for visual and olfactory evidence of illicit connections.
2. If flow is observed, a sample will be collected and analyzed at a minimum for ammonia, chlorine, and surfactants. Field kits can be used for these analyses. Sampling and analysis will be in accordance with procedures outlined in **Section 6**. Additional indicator sampling may assist in determining potential sources (e.g., bacteria for sanitary flows, conductivity to detect tidal backwater, etc.).
3. Where sampling results or visual or olfactory evidence indicate potential illicit discharges or SSOs, the area draining to the junction manhole will be flagged for further upstream manhole investigation and/or isolation and confirmation of sources.
4. Subsequent key junction manhole inspections will proceed until the location of suspected illicit discharges or SSOs can be isolated to a pipe segment between two manholes.
5. If no evidence of an illicit discharge is found, catchment investigations will be considered complete upon completion of key junction manhole sampling.

7.3 Wet Weather Outfall Sampling

Where a minimum of one (1) System Vulnerability Factor (SVF) is identified based on previous information or the catchment investigation, a wet weather investigation must also be conducted at the associated outfall. The Department of Public Works will be responsible for implementing the wet weather outfall sampling program and making updates as necessary.

Outfalls will be inspected and sampled under wet weather conditions, to the extent necessary, to determine whether wet weather-induced high groundwater in areas served by septic systems result in discharges of sanitary flow to the MS4.

Wet weather outfall sampling will proceed as follows:

1. At least one wet weather sample will be collected at the outfall for the same parameters required during dry weather screening.
2. Wet weather sampling will occur during or after a storm event of sufficient depth or intensity to produce a stormwater discharge at the outfall. There is no specific rainfall amount that will trigger sampling, although minimum storm event intensities that are likely to trigger sanitary sewer interconnections are preferred. To the extent feasible, sampling should occur during the spring (March through June) when groundwater levels are relatively high.

3. If wet weather outfall sampling indicates a potential illicit discharge, then additional wet weather source sampling will be performed, as warranted, or source isolation and confirmation procedures will be followed as described in **Section 7.4**.
4. If wet weather outfall sampling does not identify evidence of illicit discharges, and no evidence of an illicit discharge is found during dry weather manhole inspections, catchment investigations will be considered complete.

Standard operating procedures for wet weather outfall inspections are provided in **Appendix C**.

7.4 Source Isolation and Confirmation

Once the source of an illicit discharge is approximated between two manholes, more detailed investigation techniques will be used to isolate and confirm the source of the illicit discharge. The following methods may be used in isolating and confirming the source of illicit discharges

- Sandbagging
- Smoke Testing
- Dye Testing
- CCTV/Video Inspections
- Optical Brightener Monitoring
- IDDE Canines

These methods are described in the sections below. Standard operating procedures for these and other IDDE methods are provided in **Appendix E**.

Public notification is an important aspect of a detailed source investigation program. Prior to smoke testing, dye testing, or TV inspections, the Department of Public Works will notify property owners in the affected area. Smoke testing notification will include either telephone calls, door hangers, or email notifications for single family homes, businesses and building lobbies for multi-family dwellings.

7.4.1 Sandbagging

This technique can be particularly useful when attempting to isolate intermittent illicit discharges or those with very little perceptible flow. The technique involves placing sandbags or similar barriers (e.g., caulking, weirs/plates, or other temporary barriers) within outlets to manholes to form a temporary dam that collects any intermittent flows that may occur. Sandbags are typically left in place for 48 hours, and should only be installed when dry weather is forecast. If flow has collected behind the sandbags/barriers after 48 hours it can be assessed using visual observations or by sampling. If no flow collects behind the sandbag, the upstream pipe network can be ruled out as a source of the intermittent discharge. Finding appropriate durations of dry weather and the need for multiple trips to each manhole makes this method both time-consuming and somewhat limiting.

7.4.2 Smoke Testing

Smoke testing involves injecting non-toxic smoke into drain lines and noting the emergence of smoke from sanitary sewer vents in illegally connected buildings or from cracks and leaks in the system itself. Typically a smoke bomb or smoke generator is used to inject the smoke into the system at a catch basin or manhole and air is then forced through the system. Test personnel are placed in areas where there are suspected illegal connections or cracks/leaks, noting any escape of smoke (indicating an illicit connection or damaged storm drain infrastructure). It is important when using this technique to make proper notifications to area residents and business owners as well as local police and fire departments.

If the initial test of the storm drain system is unsuccessful then a more thorough smoke-test of the sanitary sewer lines can also be performed. Unlike storm drain smoke tests, buildings that do not emit smoke during sanitary sewer smoke tests may have problem connections and may also have sewer gas venting inside, which is hazardous.

It should be noted that smoke may cause minor irritation of respiratory passages. Residents with respiratory conditions may need to be monitored or evacuated from the area of testing altogether to ensure safety during testing.

7.4.3 Dye Testing

Dye testing involves flushing non-toxic dye into plumbing fixtures such as toilets, showers, and sinks and observing nearby storm drains and sewer manholes as well as stormwater outfalls for the presence of the dye. Similar to smoke testing, it is important to inform local residents and business owners. Police, fire, and local public health staff should also be notified prior to testing in preparation of responding to citizen phone calls concerning the dye and their presence in local surface waters.

A team of two or more people is needed to perform dye testing (ideally, all with two-way radios). One person is inside the building, while the others are stationed at the appropriate storm sewer and sanitary sewer manholes (which should be opened) and/or outfalls. The person inside the building adds dye into a plumbing fixture (i.e., toilet or sink) and runs a sufficient amount of water to move the dye through the plumbing system. The person inside the building then radios to the outside crew that the dye has been dropped, and the outside crew watches for the dye in the storm sewer and sanitary sewer, recording the presence or absence of the dye.

The test can be relatively quick (about 30 minutes per test), effective (results are usually definitive), and inexpensive. Dye testing is best used when the likely source of an illicit discharge has been narrowed down to a few specific houses or businesses.

7.4.4 CCTV/Video Inspection

Another method of source isolation involves the use of mobile video cameras that are guided remotely through stormwater drain lines to observe possible illicit discharges. IDDE program staff can review the videos and note any visible illicit discharges. While this tool is both effective and usually definitive, it can be costly and time consuming when compared to other source isolation techniques.

7.4.5 Optical Brightener Monitoring

Optical brighteners are fluorescent dyes that are used in detergents and paper products to enhance their appearance. The presence of optical brighteners in surface waters or dry weather discharges suggests there is a possible illicit discharge or insufficient removal through adsorption in nearby septic systems or wastewater treatment. Optical brightener monitoring can be done in two ways. The most common, and least expensive, methodology involves placing a cotton pad in a wire cage and securing it in a pipe, manhole, catch basin, or inlet to capture intermittent dry weather flows. The pad is retrieved at a later date and placed under UV light to determine the presence/absence of brighteners during the monitoring period. A second methodology uses handheld fluorometers to detect optical brighteners in water sample collected from outfalls or ambient surface waters. Use of a fluorometer, while more quantitative, is typically more costly and is not as effective at isolating intermittent discharges as other source isolation techniques.

7.4.6 IDDE Canines

Dogs specifically trained to smell human related sewage are becoming a cost-effective way to isolate and identify sources of illicit discharges. While not widespread at the moment, the use of IDDE canines is growing as is their accuracy. The use of IDDE canines is not recommended as a standalone practice for source identification; rather it is recommended as a tool to supplement other conventional methods, such as dye testing, in order to fully verify sources of illicit discharges.

7.4.7 On-site Septic System Investigation

Three types of on-site investigations can be performed at individual properties to determine if the septic system is failing, including homeowner surveys, surface condition analysis, and a detailed system inspection. The first two investigations are rapid and relatively simple assessments typically conducted in targeted watershed areas. The detailed system inspection is a more thorough inspection of the performance and function of the septic system and must be completed by a certified professional.

7.4.7.1 Homeowner Survey

The homeowner survey consists of a brief interview with the property owner to determine the potential for current or future failure of the septic system. Some questions that may be asked during a survey include:

- How many people live in the house?
- What is the septic tank capacity?
- Do drains in the house empty slowly or not at all?
- When was the last time the system was inspected or maintained?
- Does sewage back up into the house through drain lines?
- Are there any wet, smelly spots in the yard?
- Is the septic tank effluent piped so it drains to a road ditch, a storm sewer, a stream, or is it connected to a farm drain tile?

7.4.7.2 Septic System Surface Condition Assessment

A surface condition assessment is when field crews look for obvious indicators that point to current or potential production of illicit discharges by the septic system. Some key surface conditions to look for include:

- Found odors in the yard
- Wet, spongy ground; lush plant growth; or burnt grass near the drain field
- Algal bloom or excessive weed growth in adjacent ditches, ponds and streams
- Shrubs or trees with root damage within 10 feet of the system
- Cars, boats or heavy equipment located over the drain field that could crush lateral pipes
- Storm water flowing over the drain field
- Cave-ins and exposed system components
- Visible liquid on the surface of the drain field
- Obvious system bypass (e.g., straight pipe discharge)

7.4.7.3 Detailed Septic System Investigation

The detailed system inspection is a much more thorough inspection of the performance and function of the septic system and must be completed by a certified professional. The inspector certifies the structural integrity of all components of the system and checks the depth of solids in the septic tank to determine if the system needs to be pumped out. The inspector also sketches the system, and estimates distance to groundwater, surface water, and drinking water sources.

Although not always incorporated into the inspection, dye testing can sometimes point to leaks from broken pipes, or direct discharges through straight pipes that might be missed during routine inspection. Dye can be introduced into plumbing fixtures in the home and flushed with enough running water. The inspector then watches the septic field, nearby ditches, watercourses and manholes for any signs of the dye. The dye may take several hours to appear, so crews may want to place charcoal packets in adjacent waters to capture dye until they can return later to retrieve them.

Infrared imagery, a special type of photography with gray or color scales that represent differences in temperature and emissivity of objects in the image, can be used to locate sewage discharges. Several different infrared imagery techniques can be used to identify illicit discharges including aerial infrared thermography and color infrared aerial photography.

Infrared thermography is increasingly being used to detect illicit discharges and failing septic systems. The technique uses the temperature difference of sewage as a marker to locate these illicit discharges. The equipment needed to conduct aerial infrared thermography includes an aircraft (plane or helicopter); a high-resolution, large format, infrared camera with appropriate mount; a GPS unit; and digital recording equipment. If a plane is used, a higher resolution camera is required since it must operate at higher altitudes. Pilots should be experienced since flights take place at night, slowly, and at a low altitude. The camera may be handheld, but a mounted camera will provide significantly clearer results for a larger area. The GPS can be combined with a mobile mapping program and a video encoder-decoder that encodes and displays the coordinates, date, and time. The infrared data are analyzed after the flight by trained analysts to locate suspected discharges, and field crews then inspect the ground-truthed sites to confirm the presence of a failing septic system.

Late fall, winter, and early spring are typically the best times of year to conduct these investigations in most regions of the country. This allows for a bigger difference between receiving water and discharge

temperatures, and interference from vegetation is minimized. In addition, flights should take place at night to minimize reflected and direct daylight solar radiation that may adversely affect the imagery.

Color infrared aerial photography looks for changes in plant growth, differences in soil moisture content, and the presence of standing water on the ground to primarily identify failing septic systems. Similar to thermography, it is recommended that flights take place at night, during leaf off conditions, or when the water table is at a seasonal high which is when most failures typically occur.

7.5 Illicit Discharge Removal

When the specific source of an illicit discharge is identified, the ##MUNICIPALITY will exercise its authority as necessary to require its removal. The annual report will include the status of IDDE investigation and removal activities including the following information for each confirmed source:

- The location of the discharge and its source(s)
- A description of the discharge
- The method of discovery
- Date of discovery
- Date of elimination, mitigation or enforcement action OR planned corrective measures and a schedule for completing the illicit discharge removal
- Estimate of the volume of flow removed.

7.5.1 Confirmatory Outfall Screening

Within one (1) year of removal of all identified illicit discharges within a catchment area, confirmatory outfall or interconnection screening will be conducted. The confirmatory screening will be conducted in dry weather unless System Vulnerability Factors have been identified, in which case both dry weather and wet weather confirmatory screening will be conducted. If confirmatory screening indicates evidence of additional illicit discharges, the catchment will be scheduled for additional investigation.

7.6 Ongoing Screening

Upon completion of all catchment investigations and illicit discharge removal and confirmation (if necessary), each outfall or interconnection will be re-prioritized for screening and scheduled for ongoing screening once every five (5) years. Ongoing screening will consist of dry weather screening and sampling consistent with the procedures described in **Section 6** of this plan. Ongoing wet weather screening and sampling will also be conducted at outfalls where wet weather screening was required due to System Vulnerability Factors and will be conducted in accordance with the procedures described in **Section 7.3**. All sampling results will be reported in the annual report.

8 Training

Annual IDDE training will be made available to employees involved in the IDDE program. This training will at a minimum include information on how to identify illicit discharges and SSOs and may also include additional training specific to the functions of particular personnel and their function within the framework of the IDDE program. The frequency and type of training will be included in the annual report.

9 Progress Reporting

The progress and success of the IDDE program will be evaluated on an annual basis. The evaluation will be documented in the annual report and will include the following indicators of program progress:

- Number of SSOs and illicit discharges identified and removed
- Number and percent of total outfall catchments served by the MS4 evaluated using the catchment investigation procedure
- Number of dry weather outfall inspections/screenings
- Number of wet weather outfall inspections/sampling events
- Number of enforcement notices issued
- All dry weather and wet weather screening and sampling results
- Estimate of the volume of sewage removed, as applicable
- Number of employees trained annually.

The success of the IDDE program will be measured by the IDDE activities completed within the required permit timelines.

Appendix A

Legal Authority (IDDE Regulations)

REGULATION PROHIBITING ILLICIT CONNECTIONS AND DISCHARGES TO THE MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4)

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this regulation is to prohibit illicit connections and non-stormwater discharges to the Town of West Newbury's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). Non-stormwater discharges to the MS4 contain contaminants and supply additional flows which are major causes of:

- a. impairment of water quality and flow in lakes, ponds, streams, rivers, wetlands, and groundwater;
- b. contamination of drinking water supplies;
- c. alteration or destruction of aquatic and wildlife habitat; and
- d. flooding.

Regulation of illicit connections and discharges to the MS4 is necessary for the protection of the Town of West Newbury's water bodies and groundwater, and to safeguard the public health, safety, welfare, and the environment.

The objectives of this regulation are:

- a. to prevent pollutants from entering the MS4;
- b. to prohibit illicit connections and unauthorized discharges to the MS4;
- c. to remove all such illicit connections and discharges;
- d. to comply with state and federal statutes and regulations relating to stormwater discharges;
- e. to establish the legal authority to ensure compliance with the provisions of this regulation through proper inspection, monitoring, and enforcement; and
- f. to prevent contamination of drinking water supplies.

2. AUTHORITY

This regulation is adopted pursuant to Sections 31 and 127 of Chapter 111 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended, and the regulations of the Federal Clean Water Act found at 40 CFR 122.34. The West Newbury Board of Health shall administer, implement, and enforce this regulation. Any powers granted to or duties imposed upon the Board may be delegated in writing by the Board to its employees or agents. The Board of Health may promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this regulation. Failure by the Board of Health to promulgate such rules and regulations shall not have the effect of suspending or invalidating this regulation.

3. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this regulation, the following definitions and provisions shall apply:

- a. **Authorized Enforcement Agency** – The Board of Health, its employees or agents designated to enforce this regulation.
- b. **Best Management Practice (BMP)** – An activity, procedure, restraint, or structural improvement that helps reduce the quantity or improve the quality of stormwater runoff.
- c. **Clean Water Act** – The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. section 1251 *et seq.*) and as hereafter amended.

- d. **Discharge of Pollutants** – The addition from any source of any pollutant or combination of pollutants into the MS4 or into waters of the United States or Commonwealth of Massachusetts from any source.
- e. **Groundwater** – Water beneath the surface of the ground.
- f. **Illicit Connection** – A surface or subsurface drain or conveyance which allows an illicit discharge into the MS4, including without limitation: sewage, process wastewater or wash water, and any connections from indoor drains, sinks, or toilets regardless of whether said connection was previously allowed, permitted, or approved before the effective date of this regulation.
- g. **Illicit Discharge** – Direct or indirect discharge to the MS4 that is not composed entirely of stormwater, except as specifically exempted in Section 7 of this regulation. The term does not include a discharge in compliance with an NPDES Storm Water Discharge Permit or resulting from fire-fighting activities or municipal ice and snow control operations.
- h. **Impervious Surface** – Any material or structure on or above the ground that prevents water from infiltrating the underlying soil. Impervious surface includes without limitation roads, paved parking lots, sidewalks, and rooftops.
- i. **Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)** – The system of conveyances designed or used for collecting or conveying stormwater, including any road with a drainage system, street, gutter, curb, inlet, piped storm drain, pumping facility, retention or detention basin, natural or man-made or altered drainage channel, reservoir, and other drainage structure that together comprise the storm drainage system owned and/or operated by the Town of West Newbury.
- j. **National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Storm Water Discharge Permit** – A permit issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency or jointly with the State of Massachusetts that authorizes the discharge of pollutants to waters of the United States or Commonwealth.
- k. **Non-Stormwater Discharge** – A discharge to the MS4 not comprised entirely of stormwater.
- l. **Person** – An individual, partnership, association, firm, company, trust, corporation, agency, authority, department or political subdivision of the Commonwealth or the federal government, to the extent permitted by law, and any officer, employee, or agent of such person.
- m. **Pollutant** – Any element or property of sewage, residential, agricultural, industrial, or commercial waste, runoff, leachate, heated effluent, or other matter whether originating at a point or non-point source, that is or may be introduced into any storm drainage system or waters of the United States and/or Commonwealth. Pollutants shall include without limitation:
 - 1) paints, varnishes, solvents;
 - 2) oil, grease, antifreeze, other automotive fluids and/or products;
 - 3) non-hazardous liquid and solid wastes;
 - 4) refuse, garbage, litter, rubbish, yard wastes, or other discarded or abandoned objects, ordnances, accumulations, or floatables;
 - 5) pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers;
 - 6) hazardous materials and wastes;
 - 7) sewage;
 - 8) dissolved and particulate metals;
 - 9) metal objects or materials;
 - 10) animal wastes;
 - 11) rock, sand, salt, soils; and
 - 12) construction wastes and/or residues.
- n. **Process Wastewater** – Water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any material, intermediate product, finished product, or waste product.
- o. **Recharge** – The process by which groundwater is replenished by precipitation through the percolation of runoff and surface water through the soil.
- p. **Stormwater** – Runoff from precipitation or snowmelt.

- q. **Toxic or Hazardous Material or Waste** – Any material, which, because of its quantity, concentration, chemical, corrosive, flammable, reactive, toxic, infectious or radioactive characteristics, either separately or in combination with any substance or substances, constitutes a present or potential threat to human health, safety, welfare or to the environment. Toxic or hazardous materials include without limitation:
- 1) any synthetic organic chemical;
 - 2) petroleum products;
 - 3) heavy metals;
 - 4) radioactive or infectious waste;
 - 5) acid and alkali substances;
 - 6) any substance defined as Toxic or Hazardous under M.G.L. Ch. 21C and Ch. 21E, and the regulations at 310 CMR 30.000 and 310 CMR 40.000; and
 - 7) Any substance listed as hazardous under 40 CFR 261.
- r. **Watercourse** – A natural or man-made channel through which water flows or a stream of water, including a river, brook or underground stream.
- s. **Waters of the Commonwealth** – All waters within the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, including, without limitation, rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, springs, impoundments, estuaries, wetlands, coastal waters, and groundwater.
- t. **Wastewater** – Any sanitary waste, sludge, or septic tank or cesspool overflow, and water that during manufacturing, cleaning, or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product.

4. APPLICABILITY

This regulation shall apply to flows entering the municipally owned and/or operated storm drainage system (MS4).

5. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

The following activities are prohibited:

Illicit Connections – No person shall construct, use, allow, maintain or continue any illicit connection to the municipal storm drainage system (MS4), regardless of whether the connection was permissible under applicable law, regulation, or custom at the time of connection.

Illicit Discharges – No person shall dump, discharge, cause, or allow to be discharged any pollutant or non-stormwater discharge into the municipal storm drainage system (MS4), into a watercourse, or into waters of the United States and/or Commonwealth.

Obstruction of the MS4 – No person shall obstruct or interfere with the normal flow of stormwater into or out of the municipal storm drainage system (MS4) without prior written approval from the Board of Health.

6. EXEMPTIONS

Discharges or flows resulting from fire-fighting activities and Highway Department ice and snow control operations are exempt. In addition, the following non-stormwater discharges or flows are exempt provided that the source is not a significant contributor of pollution to the municipal storm drainage system (MS4):

- a. waterline flushing;
- b. flow from potable water sources;

- c. springs;
- d. natural flow from riparian habitats and wetlands;
- e. diverted stream flow;
- f. rising groundwater;
- g. uncontaminated groundwater infiltration as defined in 40 CFR 35.2005(20), or uncontaminated pumped groundwater;
- h. water from exterior foundation drains, footing drains (not including active groundwater dewatering systems, such as dewatering excavations for foundations or pipelines), crawl space/cellar sump pumps (if approved by the Board of Health), or air conditioning condensation;
- i. discharge from landscape irrigation or lawn watering;
- j. water from individual residential car washing;
- k. discharge from dechlorinated swimming pool water (less than one part per million chlorine) provided the water is allowed to stand for one week prior to draining and the pool is drained in such a way as to not cause a nuisance;
- l. discharge of water from street sweepers;
- m. dye testing, provided verbal notification is given to the Board of Health prior to the time of the test;
- n. non-stormwater discharge permitted under an NPDES permit, waiver, or waste discharge order administered under the authority of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, provided that the discharge is in full compliance with the requirements of the permit, waiver, or order and applicable laws and regulations; and
- o. discharge for which advanced written approval is received from the Board of Health as necessary to protect public health, safety, welfare, and the environment.

7. EMERGENCY SUSPENSION OF MUNICIPAL STORM DRAINAGE SYSTEM (MS4) ACCESS

- a. The Board of Health may suspend access to the municipal storm drainage system (MS4) to any person or property without prior written notice when such suspension is necessary to stop an actual or threatened illegal discharge that presents or may present imminent risk of harm to the public health, safety, welfare, or the environment. In the event any person fails to comply with an emergency suspension order, the Board of Health may take all reasonable steps to prevent or minimize harm to the public health, safety, welfare or the environment.
- b. Any person discharging to the municipal storm drainage system (MS4) in violation of this regulation may have his/her access to the storm drainage system terminated if such termination would abate or reduce an illicit discharge. The Board of Health shall notify a violator of the proposed termination of storm drainage system access. The violator may petition the Board of Health for reconsideration and a hearing. A person commits an offense if he/she reinstates access to the storm drainage system without prior written approval from the Board of Health.

8. NOTIFICATION OF SPILLS

Notwithstanding any other requirements of local, state, or federal law, as soon as any person responsible for a facility or operation, or responsible for emergency response for a facility or operation, has information of any known or suspected release of materials at that facility or operation which is resulting or may result in illegal discharge of pollutants, that person shall take all necessary steps to ensure containment and cleanup of the release. In the event of a release of oil or hazardous materials, the person shall immediately notify the West Newbury Fire and Police Departments, the Highway Department, and the Board of Health. In the event of a release of non-hazardous material, said person shall notify the Board of Health no later than the next business day. Written confirmation of all telephone, facsimile, or in-person notifications shall be provided to

the Board of Health within three (3) business days thereafter. If the discharge of prohibited materials is from a commercial or industrial facility, the facility owner or operator shall retain on-site a written record of the discharge and the actions taken to prevent its recurrence. Such records shall be retained for period of at least three (3) years.

9. ENFORCEMENT

a. Board of Health

The Board of Health or its authorized agent shall enforce this regulation and any rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as the terms and conditions of all permits, notices, and orders, and may pursue all civil and criminal remedies for violations of the regulation.

b. Civil Relief

If anyone violates the provisions of this regulation or any rule, regulation, permit, notice, or order issued thereunder, the Board of Health may seek injunctive relief in a court of competent jurisdiction to restrain the person from activities which would create further violations or compelling the person to abate or remediate the violation.

c. Orders

The Board of Health may issue a written order to enforce the provisions of this regulation and any rules and regulations thereunder, which may include: (1) elimination of illicit connections or discharges to the municipal storm drainage system; (2) termination of access to the storm drainage system; (3) performance of monitoring, analyses, and reporting; (4) cessation of unlawful discharges, practices, or operations; and (5) remediation of contamination in connection therewith. If the Board of Health determines that abatement or remediation of contamination is required, the order shall set forth a deadline for completion of the abatement or remediation. Said order shall further advise that, should the violator or property owner fail to abate or perform remediation within the specified deadline, the Town of West Newbury may, at its option, undertake such work, and expenses thereof shall be charged to the violator or property owner.

Within thirty (30) days after completing all measures necessary to abate the violation or to perform remediation, the violator and the property owner shall be notified of the costs incurred by the Town, including administrative costs. The violator or property owner may file a written protest objecting to the amount or basis of costs with the Board of Health within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of the costs incurred. If the amount due is not received by the expiration of the time in which to file a protest or within thirty (30) days following a decision of the Board of Health affirming or reducing the costs, or from a final decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, the costs shall become a special assessment against the property owner and shall constitute a lien on the owner's property for the amount of said costs. Interest shall begin to accrue on any unpaid costs at the statutory rate provided in M.G.L. Chapter 59, Section 57 after the thirty-first day at which the costs first become due.

d. Criminal and Civil Penalties

Any person who violates any provision of this bylaw, regulation, or the terms or conditions in any permit or order prescribed or issued thereunder, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$300 for each day such violation occurs or continues, or to a civil penalty, which may be assessed in an action brought on behalf of the Town in any court of competent jurisdiction.

e. Non-Criminal Disposition

As an alternative to criminal prosecution or civil action, the Town of West Newbury may elect to utilize the non-criminal disposition procedure set forth in M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 21D. The Board of Health shall be the enforcing entity. The penalty for the 1st violation shall be up to \$100. The penalty for the 2nd violation shall be up to \$200. The penalty for the 3rd and subsequent violations shall be \$300. Each day or part thereof that such violation occurs or continues shall constitute a separate offense.

f. Entry to Perform Duties under this Bylaw

To the extent permitted by state law, or if authorized by the owner or other party in control of the property, the Board of Health, its agents, officers, and employees may enter upon privately owned property for the purpose of performing their duties under this regulation and may make or cause to be made such examinations, surveys, or sampling as the Board of Health deems reasonably necessary.

g. Appeals

The decisions or orders of the Board of Health shall be final. Further relief shall be to a court of competent jurisdiction.

h. Remedies Not Exclusive

The remedies listed in this regulation are not exclusive of any other remedies available under any applicable federal, state, or local law.

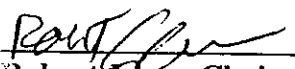
10. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this regulation are hereby declared to be severable. If any provision, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this regulation shall be held invalid for any reason, all other provisions shall continue in full force and effect.


11. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Residential property owners shall comply with this regulation on a schedule set forth in the Board of Health compliance order, but such property owners shall in no case have more than six (6) months from the effective date of the regulation to comply with its provisions, unless good cause is shown for the failure to comply with the regulation during that period.

Adopted and Effective Date: 5/27/08 by vote of the West Newbury Board of Health

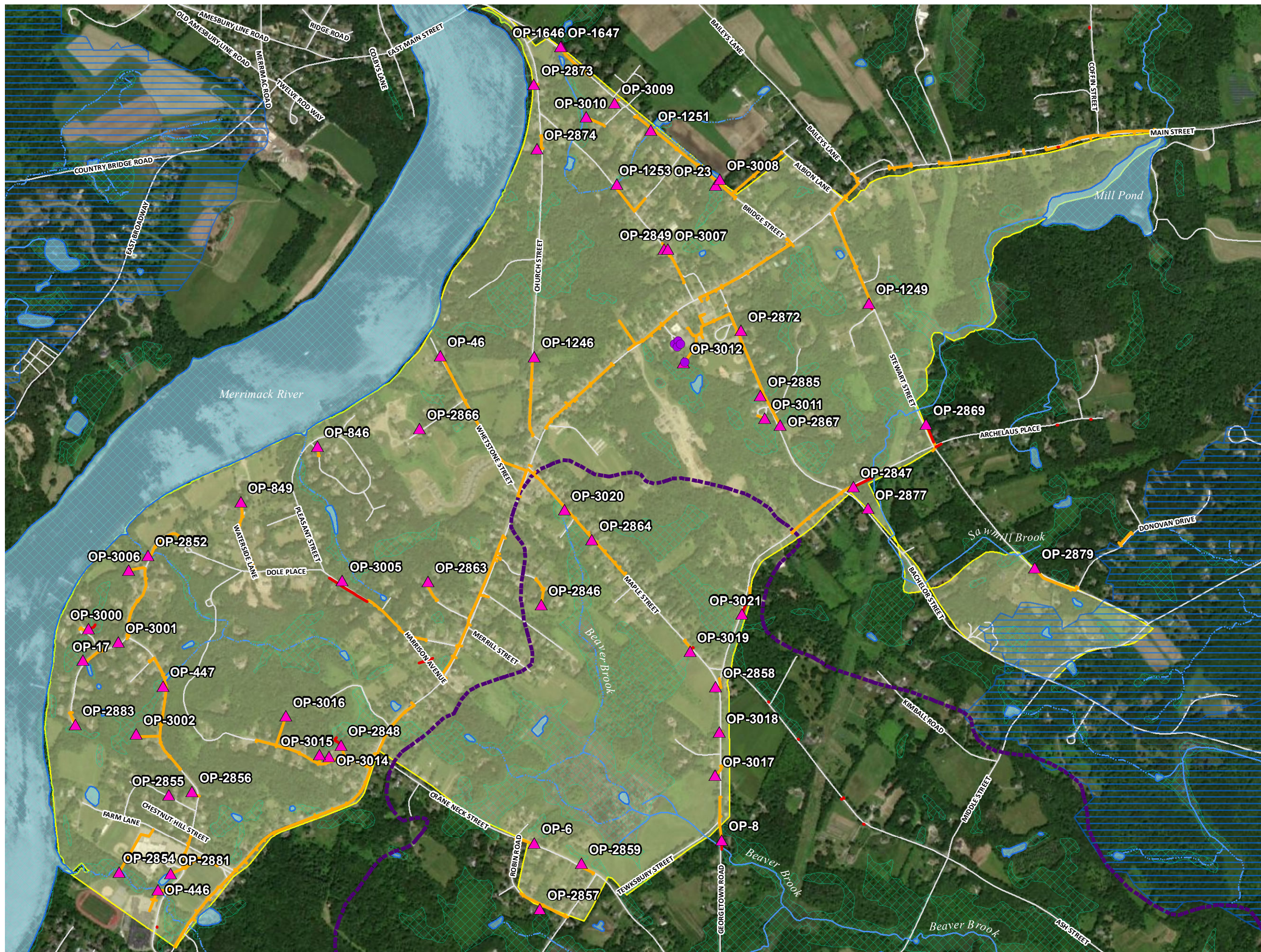

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Appendix B

Storm System Mapping

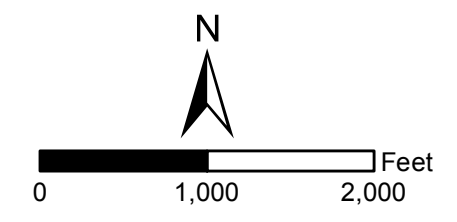


Legend

- ▲ MS4 Outfall
- Stormwater Treatment System
- Drainage Swale/Ditch
- Drainage Pipe
- Watershed Boundary
- ~ Perennial Stream
- ~ Intermittent Stream
- Pond, Lake, Ocean
- Wetlands
- Surface Public Drinking Water Supply Watershed
- Roads
- MS4 Urbanized Area

Receiving Water Impairments

Merrimack River (MA84A-05)
 - Enterococcus
 - PCBs in Fish Tissue



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MS4 Drainage System Map
 West Newbury, MA

Appendix C

Standard Operating Procedures: Inspections

SOP 1: DRY WEATHER OUTFALL INSPECTION

Introduction

Outfalls from an engineered storm drain system can be in the form of pipes or ditches. Under current and pending regulations, it is important to inspect and document water quality from these outfalls under both dry weather and wet weather conditions. SOP 2, “Wet Weather Outfall Inspection”, covers the objectives of that type of inspection. This SOP discusses the dry weather inspection objectives, and how they differ from wet weather inspection objectives.

During a dry weather period, it is anticipated that minimal flow from stormwater outfalls will be observed. Therefore, dry weather inspections aim to characterize any/all flow observed during a dry weather period and identify potential source(s) of an illicit discharge through qualitative testing; further described in SOP 4, “Water Quality Screening in the Field”.

Objectives of Dry Weather Inspections

A dry weather period is a time interval during which less than 0.1 inch of rain is observed across a minimum of 72 hours. Unlike wet weather sampling, dry weather inspections are not intended to capture a “first flush” of stormwater discharge, rather they are intended to identify any/all discharges from a stormwater outfall during a period without recorded rainfall. The objective of inspections during a dry weather period is to characterize observed discharges and facilitate detection of illicit discharges.

Visual Condition Assessment

The attached Dry Weather Outfall Inspection Survey is a tool to assist in documenting observations related to the both quantitative and qualitative characteristics of any/all flows conveyed by the structure during a dry period.

For any visual observation discharge from a stormwater outfall, an investigation into the pollution source should occur, but the following are often true:

1. Foam: indicator of upstream vehicle washing activities, or an illicit discharge.
2. Oil sheen: result of a leak or spill.
3. Cloudiness: indicator of suspended solids such as dust, ash, powdered chemicals and ground up materials.
4. Color or odor: Indicator of raw materials, chemicals, or sewage.
5. Excessive sediment: indicator of disturbed earth of other unpaved areas lacking adequate erosion control measures.
6. Sanitary waste and optical enhancers (fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent): indicators of illicit discharge.
7. Orange staining: indicator of high mineral concentrations.

Both bacteria and petroleum can create a sheen on the water surface. The source of the sheen can be differentiated by disturbing it, such as with a pole. A sheen caused by oil will remain intact and move in a swirl pattern; a sheen caused by bacteria will separate and appear “blocky”. Bacterial or naturally occurring sheens are usually silver or relatively dull in color and will break up into a number of small patches of sheen. The cause may be presence of iron, decomposition of organic material or presence of certain bacteria. Bacterial sheen is not a pollutant but should be noted.

Many of these observations are indicators of an illicit discharge. Examples of illicit discharges include: cross-connections of sewer services to engineered storm drain systems; leaking septic systems; intentional discharge of pollutants to catch basins; combined sewer overflows; connected floor drains; and sump pumps connected to the system (under some circumstances). Additional guidelines for illicit discharge investigations are included in SOP 10, “Locating Illicit Discharges”. If dry weather flow is present at the outfall, and the flow does not appear to be an obvious illicit discharge (e.g. flow is clear, odorless, etc.) attempt to identify the source of flow (e.g. intermittent stream, wetlands drainage, etc.) and document the discharge for future comparison.

Although many of the observations are indicators of illicit discharge it should be noted that several of these indicators may also occur naturally. Orange staining may be the result of naturally occurring iron, and thus unrelated to pollution. Foam can be formed when the physical characteristics of water are altered by the presence of organic materials. Foam is typically found in waters with high organic content such as bog lakes, streams that originate from bog lakes, productive lakes, wetlands, or woody areas. To determine the difference between natural foam and foam cause by pollution, consider the following:

1. Wind direction or turbulence: natural foam occurrences on the beach coincide with onshore winds. Often, foam can be found along a shoreline and/or on open waters during windy days. Natural occurrences in rivers can be found downstream of a turbulent site.
2. Proximity to a potential pollution source: some entities including the textile industry, paper production facilities, oil industries, and fire fighting activities work with materials that cause foaming in water. If these materials are released to a water body in large quantities, they can cause foaming. Also, the presence of silt in water, such as from a construction site can cause foam.
3. Feeling: natural foam is typically persistent, light, not slimy to the touch.
4. Presence of decomposing plants or organic material in the water.

Optical enhancers, fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent, are typically detected through the use of clean, white cotton pads placed within the discharge for several days, dried then viewed under a UV light. If the cotton pad displays fluorescent patches, optical enhancers are present. Optical enhancers are occasionally visible as a bluish-purple haze on the water surface; however the testing method should be used to confirm the presence of optical enhancers.

The Dry Weather Outfall Inspection Survey includes fields where these and other specific observations can be noted. The inspector shall indicate the presence of a specific water quality indicator or parameter

by marking “Yes”. If “Yes” is marked, provide additional details in the comments section. If the indicator in question is not present, mark “No”.

Within the comments section, provide additional information with regard to recorded precipitation totals, or more detailed descriptions of observations made during the inspection and corrective actions taken.

Measuring Water Quality

Based on the results of the Visual Condition Assessment, it may be necessary to collect additional data about water quality. Water quality samples can be in the form of screening using field test kits and instrumentation, or by discrete analytical samples processed by a laboratory.

Information on selecting and using field test kits and instrumentation is included in SOP 13, “Water Quality Screening in the Field.” The Inspection Survey also provides values for what can be considered an appropriate benchmark for a variety of parameters that can be evaluated in the field.

If the results of screening using field test kits indicate that the outfall’s water quality exceeds the benchmarks provided, collection of discrete analytical samples should be considered.

Analytical Sample Collection

Sample collection methods may vary based on specific outfall limitations, but shall follow test procedures outlined in 40 CFR 136. A discrete manual or grab sample can classify water at a distinct point in time. These samples are easily collected and used primarily when the water quality of the discharge is expected to be homogeneous, or unchanging, in nature. A flow-weighted composite sample will classify water quality over a measured period of time. These samples are used when the water quality of the discharge is expected to be heterogeneous, or fluctuating, in nature. Grab samples are more common for dry weather outfall inspections due to the time-sensitive nature of the process.

Protocols for collecting a grab sample shall include the following:

1. Do not eat, drink or smoke during sample collection and processing.
2. Do not collect or process samples near a running vehicle.
3. Do not park vehicles in the immediate sample collection area, including both running and non-running vehicles.
4. Always wear clean, powder-free nitrile gloves when handling sample containers and lids.
5. Never touch the inside surface of a sample container or lid, even with gloved hands.
6. Never allow the inner surface of a sample container or lid to be contacted by any material other than the sample water.
7. Collect samples while facing upstream and so as not to disturb water or sediments in the outfall pipe or ditch.
8. Do not overfill sample containers, and do not dump out any liquid in them. Liquids are often added to sample containers intentionally by the analytical laboratory as a preservative or for pH adjustment.

9. Slowly lower the bottle into the water to avoid bottom disturbance and stirring up sediment.
10. Do not allow any object or material to fall into or contact the collected water sample.
11. Do not allow rainwater to drip from rain gear or other surfaces into sample containers.
12. Replace and tighten sample container lids immediately after sample collection.
13. Accurately label the sample with the time and location.
14. Document on the Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey that analytical samples were collected, specify parameters, and note the sample time on the Inspection Survey. This creates a reference point for samples.

Analytical Sample Quality Control and Assurance

Upon completion of successful sample collection, the samples must be sent or delivered to a MassDEP-approved laboratory for analytical testing. Quality control and assurance are important to ensuring accurate analytical test results.

Sample preservation is required to prevent contaminate degradation between sampling and analysis, and should be completed in accordance with 40 CFR 136.3.

Maximum acceptable holding times are also specified for each analytical method in 40 CFR 136.3. Holding time is defined as the period of time between sample collection and extraction for analysis of the sample at the laboratory. Holding time is important because prompt laboratory analysis allows the laboratory to review the data and if analytical problems are found, re-analyze the affected samples within the holding times.

Chain of custody forms are designed to provide sample submittal information and document transfers of sample custody. The forms are typically provided by the laboratory and must be completed by the field sampling personnel for each sample submitted to the lab for analysis. The document must be signed by both the person releasing the sample and the person receiving the sample every time the sample changes hands. The sampling personnel shall keep one copy of the form and send the remaining copies to the laboratory with the samples. Custody seals, which are dated, signed and affixed to the sample container, may be used if the samples are shipped in a cooler via courier or commercial overnight shipping.

Attachments

1. Dry Weather Outfall Inspection Survey

Related Standard Operating Procedures

1. SOP 2, Wet Weather Outfall Inspection
2. SOP 4, Water Quality Screening in the Field
3. SOP 5, Locating Illicit Discharges

Outfall ID: _____ **Town:** West Newbury
Inspector: _____ **Date:** _____
Street Name _____
Last rainfall event _____



DRY WEATHER OUTFALL INSPECTION SURVEY

Type of Outfall (check one):		Pipe Outfall <input type="checkbox"/>	Open Swale Outfall <input type="checkbox"/>
Outfall Label:		Stencil <input type="checkbox"/>	Ground Inset <input type="checkbox"/> Sign <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Pipe Material:	Concrete <input type="checkbox"/>	Pipe Condition:	Good <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
	Corrugated metal <input type="checkbox"/>		Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Crumbling <input type="checkbox"/>
Swale Material:	Clay Tile <input type="checkbox"/>	Swale Condition:	Good <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
	Plastic <input type="checkbox"/>		Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Crumbling <input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/>			
Shape of Pipe/Swale (check one)			
 <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/>	 <input type="checkbox"/>
 <input type="checkbox"/>			
Rounded Pipe/Swale		Rectangular Pipe/Swale	Triangular Swale
Trapezoidal Swale			
Pipe Measurements:		Swale Measurements:	Is there a headwall?
Inner Dia. (in): d= _____		Swale Width (in): T= _____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Outer Dia. (in): D= _____		Flow Width (in): t= _____	Condition: Good <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Crumbling <input type="checkbox"/>
Pipe Width (in): T= _____		Swale Height (in): H= _____	
Pipe Height (in): H= _____		Flow Height (in): h= _____*	
Flow Width (in): h= _____*		Bottom Width (in): b= _____	
Location Sketch			
Description of Flow: Heavy <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Trickling <input type="checkbox"/> Dry <input type="checkbox"/>			
If the outlet is submerged check yes and indicate approximate height of water above the outlet invert. h above invert (in):		Circle All Materials Present:	
Odor: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Rip rap	
Optical enhancers suspected? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Excessive sediment	
Has channelization occurred? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Foam	
Has scouring occurred below the outlet? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Sanitary Waste	
Required Maintenance: Tree Work		Remove Trash/Debris	
Ditch Work		Blocked Pipe	
Structural Corrosion		Erosion at Structure	
N/A		Other	
Comments:		Orange Staining	
		Sheen: Bacterial	
		Sheen: Petroleum	
		Floatables	
		Algae	
		Excessive Vegetation	

SOP 2: WET WEATHER OUTFALL INSPECTION

Introduction

Outfalls from an engineered storm drain system can be in the form of pipes or ditches. Under current and pending regulations, it is important to inspect and document water quality from these outfalls under both dry weather and wet weather conditions. SOP 1, “Dry Weather Outfall Inspection”, covers the objectives of that type of inspection. This SOP discusses wet weather inspection objectives and how they differ from dry weather inspection objectives. The primary difference is that wet weather inspection aims to describe and evaluate the first flush of stormwater discharged from an outfall during a storm, representing the maximum pollutant load managed by receiving water.

Definition of Wet Weather

A storm is considered a representative wet weather event if greater than 0.1 inch of rain falls and occurs at least 72 hours after the previously measurable (greater than 0.1 inch of rainfall) storm event. In some watersheds, based on the amount of impervious surface present, increased discharge from an outfall may not result from 0.1 inch of rain. An understanding of how outfalls respond to different events will develop as the inspection process proceeds over several months, allowing the inspectors to refine an approach for inspections.

Ideally, the evaluation and any samples collected should occur within the first 30 minutes of discharge to reflect the first flush or maximum pollutant load.

Typical practice is to prepare for a wet weather inspection event when weather forecasts show a 40% chance of rain or greater. If the inspector intends to collect analytical samples, coordination with the laboratory for bottleware and for sample drop-off needs to occur in advance.

Visual Condition Assessment

The attached Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey should be used to document observations related to the quality of stormwater conveyed by the structure. Observations such as the following can indicate sources of pollution within the storm drain system:

- Oil sheen
- Discoloration
- Trash and debris

For any visual observation of pollution in a stormwater outfall discharge, an investigation into the pollution source should occur, but the following are often true:

1. Foam: indicator of upstream vehicle washing activities, or an illicit discharge.
2. Oil sheen: result of a leak or spill.

3. Cloudiness: indicator of suspended solids such as dust, ash, powdered chemicals and ground up materials.
4. Color or odor: Indicator of raw materials, chemicals, or sewage.
5. Excessive sediment: indicator or disturbed earth of other unpaved areas lacking adequate erosion control measures.
6. Sanitary waste and optical enhancers (fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent): indicators of illicit discharge.
7. Orange staining: indicator of high mineral concentrations.

Many of these observations are indicators of an illicit discharge. Examples of illicit discharges include: cross-connections of sewer services to engineered storm drain systems; leaking septic systems; intentional discharge of pollutants to catch basins; combined sewer overflows; connected floor drains; and sump pumps connected to the system (under some circumstances). Additional guidelines for illicit discharge investigations are included in SOP 5, “Locating Illicit Discharges”.

Although many of the observations are indicators of illicit discharge it should be noted that several of these indicators may also occur naturally. Orange staining may be the result of naturally occurring iron, and thus unrelated to pollution. Foam can be formed when the physical characteristics of water are altered by the presence of organic materials. Foam is typically found in waters with high organic content such as bog lakes, streams that originate from bog lakes, productive lakes, wetlands, or woody areas. To determine the difference between natural foam and foam cause by pollution, consider the following:

1. Wind direction or turbulence: natural foam occurrences on the beach coincide with onshore winds. Often, foam can be found along a shoreline and/or on open waters during windy days. Natural occurrences in rivers can be found downstream of a turbulent site.
2. Proximity to a potential pollution source: some entities including the textile industry, paper production facilities, oil industries, and fire fighting activities work with materials that cause foaming in water. If these materials are released to a water body in large quantities, they can cause foaming. Also, the presence of silt in water, such as from a construction site can cause foam.
3. Feeling: natural foam is typically persistent, light, not slimy to the touch.
4. Presence of decomposing plants or organic material in the water.

Both bacteria and petroleum can create a sheen on the water surface. The source of the sheen can be differentiated by disturbing it, such as with a pole. A sheen caused by oil will remain intact and move in a swirl pattern; a sheen caused by bacteria will separate and appear “blocky”. Bacterial or naturally occurring sheens are usually silver or relatively dull in color and will break up into a number of small patches of sheen. The cause may be presence of iron, decomposition of organic material or presence of certain bacteria. Bacterial sheen is not a pollutant but should be noted.

Optical enhancers, fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent, are typically detected through the use of clean, white cotton pads placed within the discharge for several days, dried then viewed under a UV light. If the cotton pad displays fluorescent patches, optical enhancers are present. Optical enhancers are occasionally visible as a bluish-purple haze on the water surface; however the testing method should be used to confirm the presence of optical enhancers.

The Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey includes fields where these and other specific observations can be noted. The inspector shall indicate the presence of a specific water quality indicator or parameter by marking “Yes”. If “Yes” is marked, provide additional details in the comments section. If the indicator in question is not present mark “No”.

Within the comments section, provide additional information with regard to recorded precipitation totals, or more detailed descriptions of observations made during the inspection and corrective actions taken.

Measuring Water Quality

Based on the results of the Visual Condition Assessment, it may be necessary to collect additional data about water quality. Water quality samples can be in the form of screening using field test kits or by discrete analytical samples processed by a laboratory.

Information on how to use field test kits is included in SOP 4, “Water Quality Screening with Field Test Kits”, and the Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey includes fields to document the results of such screening. The Inspection Survey also provides values for what can be considered an appropriate benchmark for a variety of parameters that can be evaluated with field test kits.

If the results of screening using field test kits indicate that the outfall’s water quality exceeds the benchmarks provided, collection of discrete analytical samples should be considered.

Analytical Sample Collection

Sample collection methods may vary based on specific outfall limitations but shall follow test procedures outlined in 40 CFR 136. A discrete manual or grab sample can classify water at a distinct point in time. These samples are easily collected and used primarily when the water quality of the discharge is expected to be homogeneous, or unchanging, in nature. A flow-weighted composite sample will classify water quality over a measured period of time. These samples are used when the water quality of the discharge is expected to be heterogeneous, or fluctuating, in nature. Grab samples are more common for wet weather outfall inspections due to the time-sensitive nature of the process.

Protocols for collecting a grab sample shall include the following:

1. Do not eat, drink or smoke during sample collection and processing.
2. Do not collect or process samples near a running vehicle.
3. Do not park vehicles in the immediate sample collection area, including both running and non-running vehicles.
4. Always wear clean, powder-free nitrile gloves when handling sample containers and lids.
5. Never touch the inside surface of a sample container or lid, even with gloved hands.
6. Never allow the inner surface of a sample container or lid to be contacted by any material other than the sample water.
7. Collect samples while facing upstream and so as not to disturb water or sediments in the outfall pipe or ditch.

8. Do not overfill sample containers, and do not dump out any liquid in them. Liquids are often added to sample containers intentionally by the analytical laboratory as a preservative or for pH adjustment.
9. Slowly lower the bottle into the water to avoid bottom disturbance and stirring up sediment.
10. Do not allow any object or material to fall into or contact the collected water sample.
11. Do not allow rainwater to drip from rain gear or other surfaces into sample containers.
12. Replace and tighten sample container lids immediately after sample collection.
13. Accurately label the sample with the time and location.
14. Document on the Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey that analytical samples were collected, specify parameters, and note the sample time on the Inspection Survey. This creates a reference point for samples.

Analytical Sample Quality Control and Assurance

Upon completion of successful sample collection, the samples must be sent or delivered to a MassDEP-approved laboratory for analytical testing. Quality control and assurance are important to ensuring accurate analytical test results.

Sample preservation is required to prevent contaminant degradation between sampling and analysis and should be completed in accordance with 40 CFR 136.3.

Maximum acceptable holding times are also specified for each analytical method in 40 CFR 136.3. Holding time is defined as the period of time between sample collection and extraction for analysis of the sample at the laboratory. Holding time is important because prompt laboratory analysis allows the laboratory to review the data and if analytical problems are found, re-analyze the affected samples within the holding times.

Chain of custody forms are designed to provide sample submittal information and document transfers of sample custody. The forms are typically provided by the laboratory and must be completed by the field sampling personnel for each sample submitted to the lab for analysis. The document must be signed by both the person releasing the sample and the person receiving the sample every time the sample changes hands. The sampling personnel shall keep one copy of the form and send the remaining copies to the laboratory with the samples. Custody seals, which are dated, signed and affixed to the sample container, may be used if the samples are shipped in a cooler via courier or commercial overnight shipping.

Attachments

1. Wet Weather Outfall Inspection Survey

Related Standard Operating Procedures

1. SOP 1, Dry Weather Outfall Inspection
2. SOP 4, Water Quality Screening in the Field
3. SOP 5, Locating Illicit Discharges

Outfall I.D.: _____ **Date:** _____
Inspector: _____
Time of Inspection: _____
Street Name _____
Last rainfall event _____



WET WEATHER OUTFALL INSPECTION SURVEY

Visual Inspection:	Yes	No	Comments (Include probable source of observed contamination):
Color	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Odor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Turbidity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Excessive Sediment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sanitary Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pet Waste	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Floatable Solids	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Oil Sheen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Bacterial Sheen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Foam	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Algae	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Orange Staining	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Excessive Vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Optical Enhancers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other _____			

Sample Parameters	Analytical Test Method	Benchmark*	Field Screening Result	Full Analytical?
Ammonia ¹	EPA 350.2/SM4500-NH3C	>50.0 mg/L		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Specific Conductance ¹	SM 2510B	>2,000		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Detergents & Surfactants ²	EPA 425.1/SM5540C	> 0.25 mg/L		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Fluoride ²	EPA 300.0	>0.25 mg/L		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
pH ¹	EPA 150.1/SM 4500H	<5		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Potassium ¹	EPA 200.7	>20 mg/L		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Comments:

¹ – *Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination: A Guidance Manual for Program Development and Technical Assessments*, Center for Watershed Protection and Robert Pitt of University of Alabama, 2004, p. 134, Table 45.

² – *Appendix I – Field Measurements, Benchmarks and Instrumentation*, Draft Massachusetts North Coastal Small MS4 General Permit, 2009.

SOP 3: CATCH BASIN INSPECTION AND CLEANING

Introduction

Catch basins help minimize flooding and protect water quality by removing trash, sediment, decaying debris, and other solids from stormwater runoff. These materials are retained in a sump below the invert of the outlet pipe. Catch basin cleaning reduces foul odors, prevents clogs in the storm drain system, and reduces the loading of suspended solids, nutrients, and bacteria to receiving waters.

During regular cleaning and inspection procedures, data can be gathered related to the condition of the physical basin structure and its frame and grate and the quality of stormwater conveyed by the structure. Observations such as the following can indicate sources of pollution within the storm drain system:

- Oil sheen
- Discoloration
- Trash and debris

Both bacteria and petroleum can create a sheen on the water surface. The source of the sheen can be differentiated by disturbing it, such as with a pole. A sheen caused by an oil will remain intact and move in a swirl pattern; a sheen caused by bacteria will separate and appear “blocky”. Bacterial sheen is not a pollutant but should be noted.

Observations such as the following can indicate a potential connection of a sanitary sewer to the storm drain system, which is an illicit discharge.

- Indications of sanitary sewage, including fecal matter or sewage odors
- Foaming, such as from detergent
- Optical enhancers, fluorescent dye added to laundry detergent

Each catch basin should be cleaned and inspected at least annually. Catch basins in high-use areas may require more frequent cleaning. Performing street sweeping on an appropriate schedule will reduce the amount of sediment, debris, and organic matter entering the catch basins, which will in turn reduce the frequency with which structures need to be cleaned.

Cleaning Procedure

Catch basin inspection cleaning procedures should address both the grate opening and the basin’s sump. Document any and all observations about the condition of the catch basin structure and water quality on the Catch Basin Inspection Form (attached).

Catch basin inspection and cleaning procedures include the following:

1. Work upstream to downstream.
2. Clean sediment and trash off grate.
3. Visually inspect the outside of the grate.

4. Visually inspect the inside of the catch basin to determine cleaning needs.
5. Inspect catch basin for structural integrity.
6. Determine the most appropriate equipment and method for cleaning each catch basin.
 - a. Manually use a shovel to remove accumulated sediments, or
 - b. Use a bucket loader to remove accumulated sediments, or
 - c. Use a high pressure washer to clean any remaining material out of catch basin while capturing the slurry with a vacuum.
 - d. If necessary, after the catch basin is clean, use the rodder of the vacuum truck to clean downstream pipe and pull back sediment that might have entered downstream pipe.
7. If contamination is suspected, chemical analysis will be required to determine if the materials comply with the Massachusetts DEP Hazardous Waste Regulations, 310 CMR 30.000 (<http://www.mass.gov/dep/service/regulations/310cmr30.pdf>). Chemical analysis required will depend on suspected contaminants. Note the identification number of the catch basin on the sample label, and note sample collection on the Catch Basin Inspection Form.
8. Properly dispose of collected sediments. See following section for guidance.
9. If fluids collected during catch basin cleaning are not being handled and disposed of by a third party, dispose of these fluids to a sanitary sewer system, with permission of the system operator.
10. If illicit discharges are observed or suspected, notify the appropriate Department (see “SOP 10: Addressing Illicit Discharges”).
11. At the end of each day, document location and number of catch basins cleaned, amount of waste collected, and disposal method for all screenings.
12. Report additional maintenance or repair needs to the appropriate Department.

Disposal of Screenings

Catch basin cleanings from storm water-only drainage systems may be disposed at any landfill that is permitted by MassDEP to accept solid waste. MassDEP does not routinely require stormwater-only catch basin cleanings to be tested before disposal, unless there is evidence that they have been contaminated by a spill or some other means.

Screenings may need to be placed in a drying bed to allow water to evaporate before proper disposal. In this case, ensure that the screenings are managed to prevent pollution.

Attachments

1. Catch Basin Inspection Form

Related Standard Operating Procedures

1. SOP 4, Water Quality Screening in the Field
2. SOP 5, Locating Illicit Discharges



Job No.: _____ Town: _____

Inspector: _____ Date: _____

CATCH BASIN INSPECTION FORM

Catch Basin I.D.		Final Discharge from Structure? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
		If Yes, Discharge to Outfall No: _____	
Catch Basin Label:	Stencil <input type="checkbox"/>	Ground Inset <input type="checkbox"/>	Sign <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
Basin Material:	Concrete <input type="checkbox"/>	Catch Basin Condition:	Good <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
	Corrugated metal <input type="checkbox"/>		Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Crumbling <input type="checkbox"/>
Basin Material:	Stone <input type="checkbox"/>	Pipe Material:	Pipe Measurements:
	Brick <input type="checkbox"/>		
Basin Material:	Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/>	Pipe Material:	Pipe Measurements:
	Concrete <input type="checkbox"/>		
Pipe Material:	HDPE <input type="checkbox"/>	Pipe Material:	Pipe Measurements:
	PVC <input type="checkbox"/>		
Pipe Material:	Clay Tile <input type="checkbox"/>	Pipe Material:	Pipe Measurements:
	Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/>		
Required Maintenance/ Problems (check all that apply):			
<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Work Required <input type="checkbox"/> New Grate is Required <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe is Blocked <input type="checkbox"/> Frame Maintenance is Required <input type="checkbox"/> Remove Accumulated Sediment <input type="checkbox"/> Pipe Maintenance is Required <input type="checkbox"/> Basin Undermined or Bypassed		<input type="checkbox"/> Cannot Remove Cover <input type="checkbox"/> Ditch Work <input type="checkbox"/> Corrosion at Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Erosion Around Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Remove Trash & Debris <input type="checkbox"/> Need Cement Around Grate Other: _____	
Catch Basin Grate Type :	Sediment Buildup Depth :	Description of Flow:	Street Name/ Structure Location:
Bar: <input type="checkbox"/>	0-6 (in): _____	Heavy <input type="checkbox"/>	
Cascade: <input type="checkbox"/>	6-12(in): _____	Moderate <input type="checkbox"/>	
Other: _____	12-18 (in): _____	Slight <input type="checkbox"/>	
Properly Aligned: Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	18-24 (in): _____	Trickling <input type="checkbox"/>	
No <input type="checkbox"/>	24 + (in): _____		
*If the outlet is submerged check yes and indicate approximate height of water above the outlet invert. h above invert (in): _____		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Flow <input type="checkbox"/> Standing Water (check one or both)	Observations:	Circle those present:	
	Color: _____	Foam	Oil Sheen
Odor: _____		Sanitary Waste	Bacterial Sheen
Weather Conditions :	Dry > 24 hours <input type="checkbox"/> Wet <input type="checkbox"/>	Orange Staining	Floatables
Sample of Screenings Collected for Analysis? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Excessive sediment	Pet Waste
Comments:		Other: _____	Optical Enhancers

Appendix D

Standard Operating Procedures: Water Quality Screening

SOP 4: WATER QUALITY SCREENING IN THE FIELD

Introduction

Outfalls from an engineered storm drain system can be in the form of pipes or ditches. Under current and pending regulations, it is important to inspect and document water quality within the MS4 system under both dry weather and wet weather conditions. SOP 1, “Dry Weather Outfall Inspection” and SOP 2, “Wet Weather Outfall Inspection”, cover the objectives of these activities and how water quality parameters can be collected during both types of inspections. SOP 3, “Catch Basin Inspection and Cleaning”, describes how this operations and maintenance activity can serve as an additional opportunity to collect water quality data.

SOP 2 included detailed information on how to collect discrete analytical samples to be processed by a laboratory. In contrast, this SOP addresses screening-level measurements than can be collected at outfalls, catch basins, receiving waters, or other water bodies. The measurements can be collected with field test kits or with portable meters.

Water quality screening data collected in this manner can feed into an illicit discharge detection and elimination investigation, like the process described in SOP 10, “Locating Illicit Discharges”.

Visual Condition Assessment

SOP 1, SOP 2, and SOP 3 describe a Visual Condition Assessment to collect observations related to the quality of stormwater conveyed by an engineered storm drain system. These observations may include such visual evidence and/or potential pollutants as:

- Foaming (detergents)
- Discoloration
- Evidence of sanitary waste
- Optical enhancers (fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent); and
- Turbidity

If a Visual Condition Assessment indicates the presence of these pollutants, it may be necessary to quantify the extent of each, and gather data on other parameters that cannot be visually observed but can be measured using field kits or meters. These parameters include:

- Ammonia
- Chloride (present in treated drinking water but not groundwater)
- Conductivity
- Fluoride
- Hardness
- pH
- Potassium

Field Kits and Sampling Methods Available

In recent drafts of new MS4 Permits, U.S. EPA Region 1 has identified several test kits that are acceptable for use in the field, and other regulatory agencies have also completed similar reviews. The following table shows field test kits and portable meters that can be used for screening parameters.

**Table SOP 4-1
Field Measurements, Test Kits, and Instrumentation**

Analyte or Parameter	Instrumentation (Portable meter)	Field Test Kit
Ammonia	CHEMetrics™ V-2000 Colorimeter Hach™ DR/890 Colorimeter Hach™ Pocket Colorimeter™ II	CHEMetrics™ K-1410 CHEMetrics™ K-1510 (series) Hach™ NI-SA Hach™ Ammonia Test Strips
Bacteria	Bacteria field test kits require 24-hour window	
Boron	N/A	Hanna™ HI 38074 Taylor™ K-1541
Chloride	CHEMetrics™ V-2000 Colorimeter Hach™ Pocket Colorimeter™ II LaMotte™ DC1200 Colorimeter	CHEMetrics™ K-2002 through K-2070 Hach™ CDS-DT Hach™ Chloride QuanTab® Test Strips
Color		Hach™ ColorDisc
Conductivity	CHEMetrics™ I-1200	N/A
Detergents (Surfactants)	CHEMetrics™ I-2017	CHEMetrics™ K-9400 and K-9404 Hach™ DE-2
Fluoride	CHEMetrics™ V-2000 Colorimeter Hach™ Pocket Colorimeter™ II	N/A
Hardness	N/A	CHEMetrics™ K-1705 and K-1710 CHEMetrics™ K-4502 through K-4530 Hach™ HA-DT Hach™ Hardness Test Strips
Optical enhancers	Field tests still under development	
pH	CHEMetrics™ I-1000	Hach™ 17J through 17N Hach™ pH Test Strips
Potassium	Horiba™ Cardy C-131	LaMotte™ 3138 KIW
Turbidity	CHEMetrics™ I-1300	N/A

Each field test kit will include instructions specific to that test kit, and most kits are available in configurations that detect different ranges of the parameter. For example, the CHEMetrics™ detergents kit K-9400 shown above detects concentrations of 0 to 3 milligrams per liter (mg/L) while the K-9404 kit detects concentrations of 0 to 1,400 mg/L.

The table below shows values identified by the U.S. EPA and the Center for Watershed Protection as typical screening values for select parameters. These represent the typical concentration (or value) of each parameter expected to be found in stormwater. Screening values that exceed these benchmarks may be indicative of pollution and/or illicit discharges.

**Table SOP 4-2
Benchmark Field Measurements for Select Parameters**

Analyte or Parameter	Benchmark
Ammonia	>50.0 mg/L
Conductivity	>2,000
Detergents (Surfactants)	> 0.25 mg/L
Fluoride	>0.25 mg/L
pH	<5
Potassium	>20 mg/L

If and when water quality screening samples, whether using field test kits or portable meters, exceed these benchmark concentrations, the inspector should consider collecting analytical samples for laboratory analysis.

Advantages and Disadvantages of Field Testing

Field test kits can be convenient for use as a screening tool, initial purchase costs are low (typically \$0.50 to \$5.00 for the kits included in Table SOP 4-1), and the costs are far less than full analyses at a laboratory. However, some disadvantages of this screening method include:

- Limited shelf life
- Labor cost associated with inspector's time
- Generation of wastes, including glass vials and used reagent
- Steps and processes for each kit can vary widely, resulting in errors
- Trained staff are required in order to effectively utilize kits
- Not all kits are accepted by all regulatory agencies
- Limited useful detection range

Portable instrumentation such as the colorimeters shown in Table SOP 4-1 have the benefit of providing accurate readings, measure to low detection limits, and can be purchased pre-programmed to measure concentrations of most parameters required. Disadvantages of portable instrumentation include:

- High initial purchase cost
- Requirement for ongoing calibration and maintenance
- Individual probes require periodic replacement
- Specific storage requirements to maintain calibration
- Trained staff are required in order to effectively utilize meters

Related Standard Operating Procedures

1. SOP 1, Dry Weather Outfall Inspection
2. SOP 2, Wet Weather Outfall Inspection
3. SOP 3, Catch Basin Cleaning and Inspection
4. SOP 6, Locating Illicit Discharges

Appendix E

Standard Operating Procedures: Locating Illicit Discharges

SOP: LOCATING ILLICIT DISCHARGES

Introduction

An “illicit discharge” is any discharge to an engineered storm drain system that is not composed entirely of stormwater unless the discharge is defined as an allowable non-stormwater discharge under the 2003 Massachusetts MS4 Permit. Illicit discharges may enter the engineered storm drain system through direct or indirect connections, such as: cross-connections of sewer services to engineered storm drain systems; leaking septic systems; intentional discharge of pollutants to catch basins; combined sewer overflows; connected floor drains; and sump pumps connected to the system (under some circumstances). Illicit discharges can contribute high levels of pollutants, such as heavy metals, toxics, oil, grease, solvents, nutrients, and pathogens to receiving streams.

Illicit discharges can be located by several methods, including routine dry weather outfall inspections and catch basin inspections, which are described in detail in SOP 1, “Dry Weather Outfall Inspection” and SOP 3, “Catch Basin Inspection and Cleaning”, respectively, as well as from citizen reports.

This SOP assumes that the municipality has legal authority (i.e., a bylaw or ordinance) in place, per the requirements of the 2003 Massachusetts MS4 Permit, to prohibit the connection of non-stormwater discharges into the storm drain system. The authority or department for addressing illicit discharge reports would be clearly identified in the municipality’s legal authority. In Massachusetts, this is typically a combination of the Board of Health, the Department of Public Works (or Highway Department), and the local sanitary sewer department or commission. In some communities, the Conservation Commission may also play a role. This SOP refers to “appropriate authority” generically to reflect differences in how municipalities have identified these roles.

Identifying Illicit Discharges

The following are often indicators of an illicit discharge from stormwater outfall:

1. Foam: indicator of upstream vehicle washing activities, or an illicit discharge.
2. Oil sheen: result of a leak or spill.
3. Cloudiness: indicator of suspended solids such as dust, ash, powdered chemicals and ground up materials.
4. Color or odor: Indicator of raw materials, chemicals, or sewage.
5. Excessive sediment: indicator of disturbed earth of other unpaved areas lacking adequate erosion control measures.
6. Sanitary waste and optical enhancers (fluorescent dyes added to laundry detergent): indicator of the cross-connection of a sewer service.
7. Orange staining: indicator of high mineral concentrations.

Both bacteria and petroleum can create a sheen on the water surface. The source of the sheen can be differentiated by disturbing it, such as with a pole. A sheen caused by oil will remain intact and move in

a swirl pattern; a sheen caused by bacteria will separate and appear “blocky”. Bacterial sheen is not a pollutant but should be noted.

Citizen Call in Reports

Reports by residents and other users of a water body can be effective tools in identifying the presence of illicit discharges. Many communities have set up phone hotlines for this purpose, or have provided guidance to local police departments and dispatch centers to manage data reported in this manner. Municipal employees and the general public should receive education to help identify the signs of illicit discharges and should be informed how to report such incidents.

When a call is received about a suspected illicit discharge, the attached IDDE Incident Tracking Sheet shall be used to document appropriate information. Subsequent steps for taking action to trace, document, and eliminate the illicit discharge are described in the following sections.

Potential illicit discharges reported by citizens should be reviewed on an annual basis to locate patterns of illicit discharges, identify high-priority catchments, and evaluate the call-in inspection program.

Tracing Illicit Discharges

Whenever an illicit discharge is suspected, regardless of how it was identified, the attached IDDE Incident Tracking Sheet should be utilized. The Incident Tracking Sheet shall be provided to the appropriate authority (i.e., Board of Health, Department of Public Works, etc.), which shall promptly investigate the reported incident.

If the presence of an illicit discharge is confirmed by the authority, but its source is unidentified, additional procedures to determine the source of the illicit discharge should be completed.

1. Review and consider information collected when illicit discharge was initially identified, for example, the time of day and the weather conditions for the previous 72 hours. Also consider and review past reports or investigations of similar illicit discharges in the area.
2. Obtain storm drain mapping for the area of the reported illicit discharge. If possible, use a tracking system that can be linked to your system map, such as GIS.
3. Document current conditions at the location of the observed illicit discharge point, including odors, water appearance, estimated flow, presence of floatables, and other pertinent information. Photograph relevant evidence.
4. If there continues to be evidence of the illicit discharge, collect water quality data using the methods described in SOP 4, “Water Quality Screening in the Field”. This may include using field test kits or instrumentation, or collecting analytical samples for full laboratory analysis.
5. Move upstream from the point of observation to identify the source of the discharge, using the system mapping to determine infrastructure, tributary pipes, and drainage areas that contribute. At each point, survey the general area and surrounding properties to identify potential sources of the illicit discharge. Document observations at each point on the IDDE Incident Tracking Sheet as well as with photographs.
6. Continue this process until the illicit discharge is no longer observed, which will define the boundaries of the likely source. For example if the illicit discharge is present in catch basin 137

but not the next upstream catch basin, 138, the source of the illicit discharge is between these two structures.

If the source of the illicit discharge could not be determined by this survey, consider using dye testing, smoke testing, or closed-circuit television inspection (CCTV) to locate the illicit discharge.

Dye Testing

Dye testing is used to confirm a suspected illicit connection to a storm drain system. Prior to testing, permission to access the site should be obtained. Dye is discharged into the suspected fixture, and nearby storm drain structures and sanitary sewer manholes observed for presence of the dye. Each fixture, such as sinks, toilets, and sump pumps, should be tested separately. A third-party contractor may be required to perform this testing activity.

Smoke Testing

Smoke testing is a useful method of locating the source of illicit discharges when there is no obvious potential source. Smoke testing is an appropriate tracing technique for short sections of pipe and for pipes with small diameters. Smoke added to the storm drain system will emerge in connected locations. A third-party contractor may be required to perform this testing activity.

Closed Circuit Television Inspection (CCTV)

Televised video inspection can be used to locate illicit connections and infiltration from sanitary sewers. In CCTV, cameras are used to record the interior of the storm drain pipes. They can be manually pushed with a stiff cable or guided remotely on treads or wheels. A third-party contractor may be required to perform this testing activity.

If the source is located, follow steps for removing the illicit discharge. Document repairs, new sanitary sewer connections, and other corrective actions required to accomplish this objective. If the source still cannot be located, add the pipe segment to a future inspection program.

This process is demonstrated visually on the last page of this SOP.

Removing Illicit Discharges

Proper removal of an illicit discharge will ensure it does not recur. Refer to Table SOP 5-1, attached for, for examples of the notification process.

In any scenario, conduct a follow up inspection to confirm that the illicit discharge has been removed. Suspend access to the storm drain system if an “imminent and substantial danger” exists or if there is a threat of serious physical harm to humans or the environment.

Attachments

1. Illicit Discharge Incident Tracking Sheet

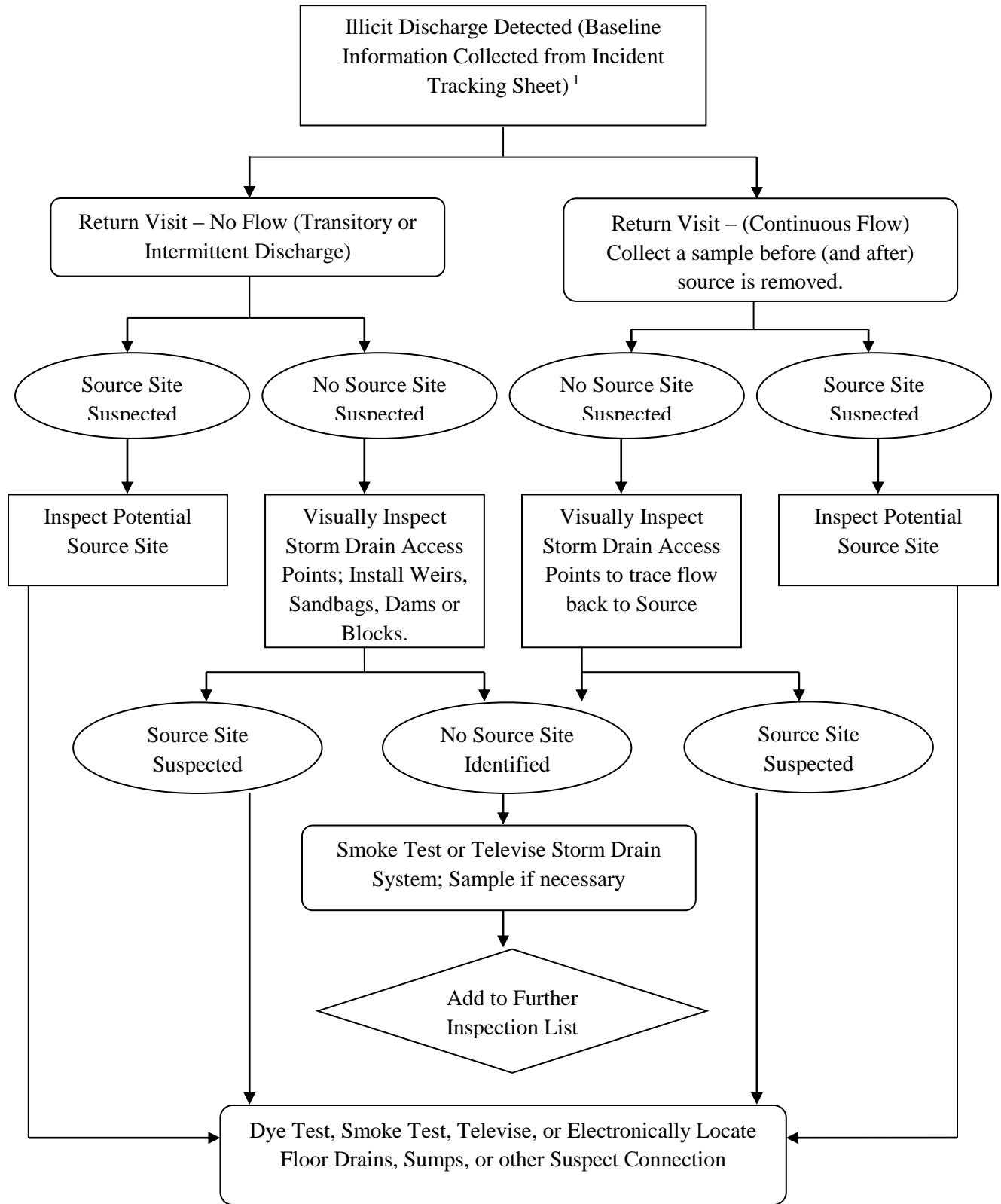
Related Standard Operating Procedures

1. SOP 1: Dry Weather Outfall Inspection
2. SOP 2: Wet Weather Outfall Inspection
3. SOP 3: Catch Basin Inspection
4. SOP 4: Water Quality Screening in the Field
5. SOP 6: Private Drainage Connections

Table SOP 5-1

**Notification and Removal Procedures for Illicit Discharges
into the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System**

Financially Responsible	Source Identified	Enforcement Authority	Procedure to Follow
Private Property Owner	One-time illicit discharge (e.g. spill, dumping, etc.)	Ordinance enforcement authority (e.g. Code Enforcement Officer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact Owner • Issue Notice of Violation • Issue fine
Private Property Owner	Intermittent or continuous illicit discharge from legal connection	Ordinance enforcement authority (e.g. Code Enforcement Officer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact Owner • Issue Notice of Violation • Determine schedule for removal • Confirm removal
Private Property Owner	Intermittent or continuous illicit discharge from illegal connection or indirect (e.g. infiltration or failed septic)	Plumbing Inspector or ordinance enforcement authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify plumbing inspector
Municipal	Intermittent or continuous illicit discharge from illegal connection or indirect (e.g. failed sewer line)	Ordinance enforcement authority (e.g. Code Enforcement Officer)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue work order • Schedule removal • Remove connection • Confirm removal
Exempt 3 rd Party	Any	USEPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify exempt third party and USEPA of illicit discharge



¹ – Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination and Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Stormwater Phase II Communities in New Hampshire, New Hampshire Estuary Project, 2006, p. 25, Figure 2-1.

Appendix F

Mapping Updates and Dry-Weather Outfall Screening Results,
September 2021



MEMORANDUM

To: Wayne Amaral, DPW Director, Town of West Newbury
From: Lori Kennedy, Horsley Witten
Date: September 28, 2021
Re: West Newbury MS4 Mapping and Dry-Weather Outfall Screening

This memorandum presents the results of MS4 mapping updates and dry-weather outfall screening, conducted by Horsley Witten Group (HW) in accordance with West Newbury's Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Plan.

Mapping Updates

Figure 1 presents the updated MS4 map for West Newbury. The bullets below summarize the changes that HW made to the drainage system map within the MS4 regulated area, based on our desktop analyses and field observations in October 2020.

Outfalls

- Added 19 MS4 outfalls that were not previously mapped (outfall IDs of 3000 and above).
- Deleted 11 outfalls that HW could not find or determined were incorrectly classified as MS4 outfalls. Most misclassified outfall points were stream culvert inlets and outlets.
- Corrected several outfall locations.
- Added notes on 11 outfalls along Main Street (Rt 113) to clarify that they are owned by MassDOT and therefore are not part of West Newbury's MS4.
- Ultimately, field-verified 55 regulated MS4 outfalls with 3 remaining to be field-verified at Pentucket Regional High School, for a total of 58 regulated MS4 outfalls.

Drainage pipes, catch basins, and manholes

- Edited locations for drainage pipes and structures that did not match our field observations; for example, added pipe lines to connect to new outfall points.
- HW did not complete a systematic verification of drainage pipe and structure locations.

Open Channel Conveyances

- Added or lengthened lines for open channel conveyances (swales and ditches).

Stormwater Treatment Systems

- Added points for stormwater treatment systems; specifically, four leaching basins and a detention basin behind Town Hall.
- HW did not complete a systematic verification of stormwater treatment system locations.

Outfall Inspections

Over the course of three days (October 19th, 20th, and 23rd, 2020), HW visited all West Newbury MS4 outfalls except for three outfalls that are currently under construction at the Pentucket Regional High School. Each field day followed a 24-hour period with less than 0.1 inches of rain and no snow melt.

For each outfall, HW took photos and recorded information on outfall material and diameter, outfall condition, presence of dry-weather flow, and other indications of illicit discharge. HW documented these observations using the ArcGIS mobile data collection app created by Merrimack Valley Planning Commission (MVPC) for West Newbury. Table 1 and Table 2 (at the end of this memorandum) present the outfall attributes and inspection findings, respectively.

Outfall Condition

Most outfalls are in fair to good condition and do not appear to need immediate maintenance other than periodic clearing of sediment and overgrown vegetation. Table 3 lists outfalls that are in poor condition and that HW recommends prioritizing for follow-up inspections and maintenance by DPW.

Table 3. Outfalls in Poor Condition

Outfall ID	Street Name	Observed Conditions in October 2020	Updated Status as of September 2021
OP-2874	Church Street	Outfall plugged and diverted via HDPE pipe around property	Inspected by DPW and found to be adequate and installed correctly
OP-3007	Prospect Street	Outfall buried	Ongoing investigation and review
OP-3008	Bridge Street	Outfall submerged and mostly buried	Maintenance completed by DPW in September 2021
OP-3009	Bridge Street	Outfall plugged and piped around property	Inspected and now flowing adequately
OP-6	Crane Neck Street	Concrete headwall damaged and pipe nearly full of sediment	Maintenance completed by DPW in July 2021

Indications of Illicit Discharge

During the outfall inspections in October 2020, HW did not observe any evidence of illicit discharges but did observe one outfall, OP-1251 on Bridge Street, flowing on two consecutive field visits (October 20th and 23rd). In this location, there are two 24-inch pipe outlets on the south side of Bridge St: an MS4 outfall to the east and a stream culvert to the west.

On September 14, 2021, HW returned to OP-1251 to conduct dry-weather outfall sampling. In accordance with West Newbury’s IDDE Plan, sampling was conducted following a 24-hour period of less than 0.1 inches of rain. Water quality parameters included field tests for temperature, pH, conductivity, surfactants, ammonia, and chlorine, and laboratory analysis for *Escherichia coli* (E. coli) bacteria.

As shown in Table 4, water quality results are compared against criteria defined in the MS4 Permit to determine whether there is likely sewage input. The indicators of likely sewage input are as follows:

- Olfactory or visual evidence of sewage,
- Ammonia ≥ 0.5 mg/L, surfactants ≥ 0.25 mg/L, and bacteria levels greater than the water quality criteria applicable to the receiving water (235 colonies per 100 mL for Class B waters), or
- Ammonia ≥ 0.5 mg/L, surfactants ≥ 0.25 mg/L, and detectable levels of chlorine (> 0.02 mg/L)

Based on the above criteria, OP-1251 is not likely to have sewage contamination. No further sampling at OP-1251 is required.

Table 4. Results from Dry-Weather Outfall Sampling on 9/14/2021

Outfall ID	Flow Present?	Olfactory or visual evidence?	Temp (deg C)	Conductivity (μ S/cm)	pH	Ammonia (mg/L)	Chlorine (mg/L)	Surfactants (mg/L)	E. coli (MPN/100 mL)
Indicators						≥ 0.5 mg/L	> 0.02 mg/L	≥ 0.25 mg/L	235 colonies/100 mL
OP-1251	Yes	No	17.2	696	7.5	0	0.03	0.25	106

Table 1. West Newbury MS4 Regulated Outfall Attributes

Outfall ID	Street name	Receiving waters	Outfall material	Diameter	Notes
OP-6	CRANE NECK ST	Wetland	RCP	15	
OP-8	GEORGETOWN RD	Swale to Beaver Brook	CMP	12	
OP-23	BRIDGE ST	Wetland	CMP	12	
OP-46	WHETSTONE ST	Wetland to river	HDPE	18	
OP-446					High school
OP-447	MEADOW SWEET RD	Wetland	RCP	12	One of two pipe outlets; other is culvert
OP-846	PLEASANT ST	Wetland/depression to culvert road crossing	RCP	12	
OP-849	Waterside Ln	Wetland on Merrimack River	RCP	18	
OP-1246	Church St	Stream	RCP	15	
OP-1249	Stewart St	Unnamed stream	RCP	12	Pipe outlet to swale, short pipe segment to MH into stream culvert
OP-1251	BRIDGE ST	Stream	CMP	24	One of two pipe outlets; other is culvert
OP-1253	Prospect St	Wetland	CMP	12	
OP-1646	Bridge St	Stream	RCP	12	Drains from CB line up street
OP-1647	Bridge St	Stream	RCP	24	Outlet from CBs next to outfall
OP-2846	NEWELL FARM DR	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-2847	Meetinghouse Hill Rd	Swale to Sawmill Brook	CMP	12	
OP-2848	BARBERRY LN	Wetland	RCP	15	
OP-2849	PROSPECT ST	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-2852	RIVERCREST DR	Unnamed stream	RCP	18	Outfall in wingwall
OP-2854					High school
OP-2855	CHESTNUT ST	Unknown	HDPE	6	CB in road installed by homeowner. Pipe goes on to property. Owner says drains to back of yard
OP-2856	MEADOW SWEET RD	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-2857	ROBIN RD	Wetland	RCP	15	
OP-2858	GEORGETOWN RD	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-2859	CRANE NECK ST	Wetland	CMP	12	
OP-2863	MARSHALL DR	Wetland	RCP	18	
OP-2864	MAPLE ST	Wetland, Beaver Brook	RCP	15	
OP-2866	SULLIVAN CT	Wetland	RCP	15	
OP-2867	BACHELOR ST	Wetland	RCP	18	
OP-2869	STEWART ST	Wetland on Sawmill Brook	CMP	24	Thru 2 driveway culverts
OP-2872	BACHELOR ST	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-2873	CHURCH ST	Wetland to river	CMP	10	
OP-2874	CHURCH ST	Wetland			Plugged and diverted by 100' flexible pipe
OP-2877	BACHELOR ST	Wetland, Sawmill Brook	RCP	15	
OP-2879	STEWART ST	Wetland, Sawmill Brook	RCP	12	

Outfall ID	Street name	Receiving waters	Outfall material	Diameter	Notes
OP-2881					High school
OP-2883	RIVERCREST DR	Unnamed stream to Merrimack River	Concrete	12	20' swale to channel
OP-2885	BACHELOR ST	Wetland	PVC	12	
OP-17	RIVERCREST DR	Wetland, Merrimack River	RCP	12	Two 12" pipes outlets in headwall; other outlet is stream culvert.
OP-3000	TWIG RUSH LN	Wetland, Merrimack River	RCP	12	
OP-3001	RIVERCREST DR	Unknown	RCP	12	Likely open conveyance culvert
OP-3002	MEADOW SWEET RD	Wetland	RCP	24	
OP-3005	PLEASANT ST	Wetland	RCP	15	Culvert from ditch under road
OP-3006	DOLES PL	Wetland, scoured path to river	RCP	18	
OP-3007	PROSPECT ST	Wetland	Clay / draitile	8	
OP-3008	BRIDGE ST	Wetland by farm	CMP	12	
OP-3009	BRIDGE ST	Plugged and piped			Plugged and piped by resident
OP-3010	HICKORY LN	Wetland	RCP	12	Way down the hill
OP-3011	BOYNTON CT	Wetland	RCP	8	
OP-3012	BACHELOR ST	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-3014	BARBERRY LN	Wetland	RCP	15	
OP-3015	BARBERRY LN	Wetland	RCP	12	
OP-3016	BARBERRY LN	Wetland	RCP	18	Assumed pipe connection; need to verify
OP-3017	GEORGETOWN RD	Wetland	Clay / draitile	15	
OP-3018	GEORGETOWN RD	Wetland	CMP	18	
OP-3019	MAPLE ST	Wetland	HDPE	18	
OP-3020	MAPLE ST	Wetland, Beaver Brook	RCP	15	Receives some MassDOT flow
OP-3021	MEETINGHOUSE HILL RD	Swale to wetland	CMP	8	Driveway culvert

Table 2. West Newbury MS4 Regulated Outfall Dry-Weather Inspections

Outfall ID	Street name	Outfall Condition Assessment				Indicators of Illicit Discharge	
		Outfall Condition	Sediment in Pipe?	Outfall Submerged?	Other Observations	Visual or Olfactory Evidence?	Dry-Weather Flow?
OP-6	CRANE NECK ST	Poor	Full		Concrete headwall damaged	No	No
OP-8	GEORGETOWN RD	Fair	1/2 Full			No	No
OP-23	BRIDGE ST	Fair	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-46	WHETSTONE ST	Good				No	No
OP-447	MEADOW SWEET RD	Good				No	No
OP-846	PLEASANT ST	Good				No	No
OP-849	Waterside Ln	Fair	1/2 Full			No	No
OP-1246	Church St	Fair				No	No
OP-1249	Stewart St	Good				No	No
OP-1251	BRIDGE ST	Good				No	Yes
OP-1253	Prospect St	Good				No	No
OP-1646	Bridge St	Fair	1/4 Full	Partially Submerged		No	No
OP-1647	Bridge St	Fair	1/4 Full	Partially Submerged		No	No
OP-2846	NEWELL FARM DR	Fair	1/2 Full		Swale downstream to be cleaned	No	No
OP-2847	Meetinghouse Hill Rd	Poor			Partially crushed pipe	No	No
OP-2848	BARBERRY LN	Good				No	No
OP-2849	PROSPECT ST	Fair	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-2852	RIVERCREST DR	Good				No	No
OP-2855	CHESTNUT ST	Fair			Empty silt sack in CB	No	No
OP-2856	MEADOW SWEET RD	Fair	1/2 Full			No	No
OP-2857	ROBIN RD	Good	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-2858	GEORGETOWN RD	Poor	3/4 Full		Overgrown	No	No
OP-2859	CRANE NECK ST	Poor	1/4 Full		Overgrown	No	No
OP-2863	MARSHALL DR	Good				No	No
OP-2864	MAPLE ST	Good				No	No
OP-2866	SULLIVAN CT	Good			Overgrown	No	No
OP-2867	BACHELOR ST	Good				No	No
OP-2869	STEWART ST	Fair				No	No
OP-2872	BACHELOR ST	Good	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-2873	CHURCH ST	Poor			Corroded	No	No

Outfall ID	Street name	Outfall Condition Assessment				Indicators of Illicit Discharge	
		Outfall Condition	Sediment in Pipe?	Outfall Submerged?	Other Observations	Visual or Olfactory Evidence?	Dry-Weather Flow?
OP-2874	CHURCH ST	Poor			Outfall sealed and diverted by property owner	No	No
OP-2877	BACHELOR ST	Good				No	No
OP-2879	STEWART ST	Fair	1/4 Full		Overgrown	No	No
OP-2883	RIVERCREST DR	Good				No	No
OP-2885	BACHELOR ST	Good				No	No
OP-17	RIVERCREST DR	Good				No	No
OP-3000	TWIG RUSH LN	Fair	3/4 Full		Leaf litter blocking pipe	No	No
OP-3001	RIVERCREST DR	Good	1/4 Full		Leaf litter partially blocking pipe	No	No
OP-3002	MEADOW SWEET RD	Good				No	No
OP-3005	PLEASANT ST	Good			Culvert inlet buried	No	No
OP-3006	DOLES PL	Fair	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-3007	PROSPECT ST	Poor	Full			No	No
OP-3008	BRIDGE ST	Poor	3/4 Full	Fully Submerged	Buried/submerged	No	No
OP-3009	BRIDGE ST	Poor	NA	NA	Plugged and piped by resident	NA	NA
OP-3010	HICKORY LN	Good	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-3011	BOYNTON CT	Good				No	No
OP-3012	BACHELOR ST	Fair			Overgrown	No	No
OP-3014	BARBERRY LN	Good				No	No
OP-3015	BARBERRY LN	Poor		Partially Submerged		No	No
OP-3016	BARBERRY LN	Fair				No	No
OP-3017	GEORGETOWN RD	Fair				No	No
OP-3018	GEORGETOWN RD	Fair	1/4 Full			No	No
OP-3019	MAPLE ST	Fair				No	No
OP-3020	MAPLE ST	Unknown		Fully Submerged		No	No
OP-3021	MEETINGHOUSE HILL RD	Poor	1/4 Full			No	No