# **Stormwater Training**

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## Summary of Today's Training

- Stormwater review
- Turf Management & Fertilizer Use
- Erosion & Sediment Control for Construction Sites
- Video "Stormwater Pollution Prevention for Construction Sites"
- Questions

#### **STORMWATER REVEIW**

# What is a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)?

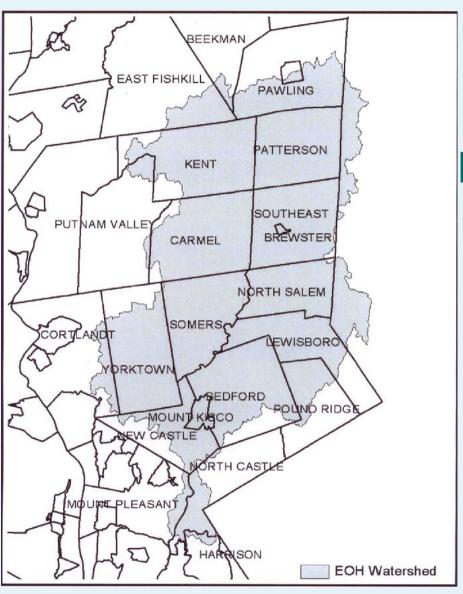


- A conveyance or system of conveyances owned by a state, city, town or other public entity that discharges to waters of the U.S. and is:
  - Designed and used for collecting or conveying stormwater
  - Not a combined sewer
  - Not part of a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW)

# Who Regulates Stormwater? NYSDEC Stormwater Permit Requirements: 6 Minimum Measures

- 1. Public Education and Outreach
- 2. Public Involvement/Participation
- 3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)
- 4. Construction Site Runoff Control
- 5. Post Construction Stormwater Management
- 6. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations
- \*Town of Kent regulates Stormwater: Steep Slope Protection and Stormwater Management (Chapter 66) and Illicit Discharge to Storm Sewers (Chapter 43)

### NYC Enhanced Requirements



#### Pollutant of Concern

Phosphorus

## Phosphorus Impacts

# Excess Phosphorus causes:

- algae blooms,
- excessive weed growth,
- decreased water quality,
- Decreased water recreation,
- negative impacts on fish, plant, animal life.



## **TURF MANAGEMENT**

#### TURF MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- Procedures for proper fertilizer application or municipally-owned lands.
- Procedures for the proper disposal of grass clippings from municipally-owned lawns where grass clipping collection equipment is used.
- Procedures for proper disposal of leaves from municipally-owned lands where leaves are collected.
- For municipalities with lawn waste collection programs, the development of a curbside lawn waste management policy which ensures that lawn waste does not decay and release phosphorus to the storm sewer system; and
- The planting of wildflowers and other native plant material to lessen the frequency of mowing and the use of chemicals to control vegetation.

#### **FERTILIZER**

Which number tells you how much phosphorus is in this bag?



Bill Volk

# EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

# What is erosion? Why is it important

- The number one cause of pollutants entering the stormwater conveyance system
- Sediment transports pollutants including phosphorus, other nutrients, pesticides, bacteria, organic matter, and toxic substances
- Clogs streams and storm drains
- Creates nuisance problems on adjacent streets
- Turbidity plumes in downstream water bodies
- Can cover sensitive habitat with sediment

# Where does it go?

Lakes



**Rivers** 

**Storm Drains** 



#### **Construction Site Runoff Control**

Requiring erosion and Sediment control Plan

- Any disturbance involving one or more acres of land
- Any project in NYC watershed disturbing 5,000 sq ft
- Disturbance within 100 feet of a wetland or watercourse
- Excavating or filling which exceeds a total of 100 cubic yards of material
- Disturbance on steep slopes (as defined)

# Erosion and Sediment Control Components

- Runoff Controls (diversions, Pipe Slope Drain, Check Dams, Lined Channels, Outlet Protection)
- Soil Stabilization (clearing and Grading Limits, soils types, seed and mulch, rolled erosion control products, facines, live staking, mattresses)
- Sediment Control (stabilized construction entrance, silt fence, sediment traps and basins, inlet protection)

# COMMON EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PRACTICES

# **Inlet Protection**











# Silt Fence Which one of these is properly installed?













# Construction Site Entrance/ Anti-Tracking Pad







# Sediment Traps







# **Check Dams**











### Seed and Mulch











# Steep Slope Protection









# <u>Video</u>

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### Summary

- Stormwater permit requirements
- NYC Watershed enhanced requirements
  - Turf Management
  - Fertilizer Use
- Construction Site Erosion and Sediment Control

#### **Questions**

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