

Conemaugh Township

NPDES MS4 Permit and Practices

Conemaugh Township is classified as a Small Municipal Storm Sewer System (MS4). Due to this classification, the Township is required to maintain a permit issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The permit authorizes the Township to utilize, operate, maintain, and regulate their MS4. The Township has maintained a permit since 2005.

As required by the MS4 permit the Township has implemented six (6) minimum control measures to monitor and prevent future pollution. The 6 MCMs are as follows:

MCM#1: Public Education and Outreach

- The Township displays Educational Stormwater Posters at their Municipal Buildings

MCM#2: Public Participation and Involvement

- The Township invites the Public to participate in Stormwater Management Meetings which are held intermittently at their regular monthly meetings

MCM#3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

- The Township actively pursues Illicit and Illegal discharge within the MS4 system

MCM#4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

- The Township relies on the County Conservation District and PADEP NPDES permitting program to regulate Construction Site Stormwater Runoff

MCM#5: Post Construction Stormwater Management

- The Township has adopted the Stonycreek Act 167 Stormwater Management Ordinance which regulates Post Construction Stormwater Management

MCM#6: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations and Maintenance

- The Township has adopted and implemented a Good Housekeeping Program for all Municipal Operations and Maintenance Procedures

Periodically, the Township will evaluate the effectiveness of the MS4 program and adjust its practices as necessary.