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Introduction

On January 5, 2004 the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) adopted the Phase II Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program for the State of New Jersey. These regulations appeared in the February 2, 2004 New Jersey Register. Under these regulations, four New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJDPES) General Permits were issued. Two of these General Permits, Tier A and Tier B Municipal Stormwater Permits, require New Jersey municipalities to begin a five year process implementing various measures to improve surface water quality within the State of New Jersey. New Jersey’s regulations are a direct result of the United States Environmental Protection Agency National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Phase II Regulations published on December 8, 1999. There are a number of Statewide Basic Requirements (SBRs) under New Jersey’s Tier A Municipal Stormwater Permit including, but not limited to, the following:

- Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment
- Local Public Education
- Improper Disposal of Waste
- Solids and Floatable Controls
- Maintenance Yard Operations
- Employee Training

As part of the SBR for Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment, municipalities must prepare and adopt a Municipal Stormwater Management Plan (MSWMP). This MSWMP documents the strategy for the Borough of Chatham (the Borough) to address stormwater-related impacts from new development and redevelopment. The creation of this Plan is required by the Municipal Stormwater Regulations, published at N.J.A.C. 7:14A-25. This Plan contains all of the required elements described in the Stormwater Management Rules, published at N.J.A.C. 7:8. The Plan addresses groundwater recharge, stormwater quantity, and stormwater quality impacts of new development and redevelopment by incorporating stormwater design and performance standards for new major development, defined as projects that disturb one or more acre of land, or increase impervious surface by one-quarter acre or more. These standards are intended to minimize the adverse impact of stormwater runoff on water quality and water quantity, and the loss of groundwater recharge that provides baseflow in receiving water bodies.

The Plan also addresses long-term operation and maintenance measures for existing and future stormwater facilities. The final component of this Plan is a mitigation strategy for when a variance or exemption of the design and performance standards is sought. As part of the Mitigation Plans section, specific stormwater management measures will be identified to lessen the impact of existing development. Neither a “build-out” analysis, nor review of the Borough Master Plan has been included in this Plan, as the Borough has a combined total of less than one square mile of vacant or agricultural lands, and thus is not required to provide this information.
Goals

The general goals of this MSWMP are to present an overview of the Borough’s waterways and to establish a framework for compliance with the Municipal Stormwater Regulations. The specific goals of this Plan are to:

- reduce flood damage, including damage to life and property;
- minimize, to the extent practical, any increase in stormwater runoff from any new development or redevelopment;
- reduce soil erosion from any development or construction project;
- assure the adequacy of existing and proposed culverts and bridges, and other in-stream structures;
- maintain groundwater recharge where feasible;
- prevent, to the greatest extent feasible, an increase in nonpoint pollution;
- maintain the integrity of stream channels for their biological functions, as well as for drainage;
- minimize pollutants in stormwater runoff from new and existing development to restore, enhance, and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the waters of the State, to protect public health, to safeguard fish and aquatic life and scenic and ecological values, and to enhance the domestic, municipal, recreational, industrial, and other uses of water; and
- protect public safety through the proper design and operation of stormwater basins.

To achieve these goals, this Plan outlines specific stormwater design and performance standards for new development and redevelopment. Additionally, the Plan proposes stormwater management controls to address impacts from existing development. Preventative and corrective maintenance strategies are included in the Plan to ensure long-term effectiveness of stormwater management facilities. The Plan also outlines safety standards for stormwater infrastructure to be implemented to protect public safety.
Stormwater Fundamentals

Land development can dramatically alter the hydrologic cycle (see figure below) of a site and, ultimately, an entire watershed. Prior to development, native vegetation can either directly intercept precipitation or extract that portion of the precipitation that has infiltrated into the ground and return it to the atmosphere through evapotranspiration. Development can remove this beneficial vegetation and replace it with lawn or impervious cover, reducing the site’s evapotranspiration and infiltration rates. Clearing and grading a site can remove depressions that store rainfall, and construction activities may also compact the soil and diminish its infiltration ability, resulting in increased volumes and rates of stormwater runoff from the site.

Groundwater Recharge in the Hydrologic Cycle

[Diagram showing the hydrologic cycle with groundwater recharge]


Impervious areas that are connected to each other through gutters, channels, and storm sewers typically transport runoff more quickly than naturally vegetated areas. This decrease of the transport time accelerates the rainfall-runoff response of the drainage area, causing flow in downstream waterways to peak more quickly and higher than in natural conditions. These increases can create new, and aggravate existing, downstream flooding and erosion problems and increase the quantity of sediment in the waterway. Additionally, storm sewers that discharge runoff directly into a stream eliminate filtration of runoff, and the associated removal of pollutants, by surface and channel vegetation. Increases in impervious area can also decrease opportunities for infiltration which, in turn, reduces stream baseflow and groundwater recharge. Reduced baseflows and increased peak flows produce greater fluctuations between normal and storm flow rates, which can increase channel erosion. Reduced baseflows can also negatively
impact the hydrology of adjacent wetlands and the health of biological communities that depend on baseflows. Finally, erosion and sedimentation can destroy habitat from which some species cannot adapt.

In addition to increases in stormwater runoff peak flows, volumes, and the loss of groundwater recharge, land development often results in the accumulation of pollutants on the land surface that stormwater runoff can mobilize and transport to streams. New impervious surfaces and cleared areas created by development can accumulate a variety of pollutants from the atmosphere, fertilizers, animal wastes, and leakage from vehicles. Pollutants can include metals, suspended solids, hydrocarbons, pathogens, and nutrients.

Land development can also adversely affect water quality and stream biota in more subtle ways. For example, stormwater falling on impervious surfaces or stored in detention or retention basins can become heated and raise the temperature of the downstream waterway, adversely affecting cold water fish species such as trout. Development also may remove trees along stream banks that normally provide shading, channel stabilization, and leaf litter that falls into streams and becomes food for the aquatic community.
Borough of Chatham Waterways

The Borough of Chatham encompasses 2.35 square miles in the southeastern corner of Morris County, New Jersey. The Borough is an established community and has experienced a rather steady population since the early 1960's. The population of the Borough has fluctuated recently from 8,537 in 1980, to 8,007 in 1990, to 8,460 in 2000. The Borough experienced the biggest population increase between 1940 and 1960 when the population increased from 4,888 to 9,517. This population increase, combined with business and commercial development, has resulted in some changes in the landscape, which likely resulted in increased stormwater runoff volumes and pollutant loads to the waterways of the Borough. Refer to Figure 1 for the Borough zoning map, Figure 2 illustrates the existing land use within the Borough, and Figures 7 and 8 identify the major waterways in the Borough.

The NJDEP has established an Ambient Biomonitring Network (AMNET) to document the health of the State's waterways. There are over 800 AMNET sites throughout the State of New Jersey. These sites are sampled for benthic macroinvertebrates by NJDEP on a five-year cycle. Streams are classified as non-impaired, moderately impaired, or severely impaired based on the AMNET data. This data is used to generate a New Jersey Impairment Score (NJIS), which is based on a number of biometrics related to benthic macroinvertebrate community dynamics.

The Passaic River, which is located along the eastern border of the Borough, is the most significant waterway in the Borough. The Passaic River runs south to north, touching the Borough first at Stanley Park and leaving at the Madison-Chatham sewerage plant. From Stanley Park to the Main Street Bridge the River has a relatively large drop in elevation, but thereafter the change in elevation is more gradual. The Passaic River in Chatham is classified as moderately impaired based on the AMNET data.

Two small tributary waterways to the Passaic River are located in the Borough. The two waterways, Day’s Brook and Harmon’s Brook, are both located in the north-east section of the Borough, and do not have AMNET classifications. The only standing body of water in the Borough is the Milton Avenue pond, which was constructed by the Borough in about 1963.

In addition to the AMNET data, the NJDEP and other regulatory agencies collect water quality chemical data on the streams in the State. This data shows that the instream fecal coliform concentrations of the Passaic River frequently exceed the State's criteria. Accordingly, the NJDEP has developed a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for fecal coliform for the Passaic River.

A TMDL is the amount of a pollutant that can be accepted by a waterbody without causing an exceedance of water quality standards or interfering with the ability to use a waterbody for one or more of its designated uses. The allowable load is allocated to the various sources of the pollutant, such as stormwater and wastewater discharges, which require an NJPDES permit to
discharge, and nonpoint sources, which include stormwater runoff from agricultural areas and residential areas, along with a margin of safety. Provisions may also be made for future sources in the form of reserve capacity. An implementation plan is developed to identify how the various sources will be reduced to the designated allocations.

The TMDL for Fecal Coliform in the Northeast Water Region (which includes the Passaic River) indicates that a 96% reduction on overall nonpoint source loads is necessary to achieve the target conditions for fecal coliform concentrations. The TMDL identified the general sources of fecal coliform in the Northeast Water Region as malfunctioning or older, improperly sized septic systems; failing sewage conveyance systems; improper garbage storage and disposal; Canada geese; pet waste; stormwater basins which act as an accumulation point for fecal matter; direct stormwater discharge to waterbodies; and farms, zoos, and livestock. Specific items listed for the Passaic River near Chatham include: geese, wildlife, failing septic tanks, (not applicable to Chatham), and pet waste (not applicable to Chatham). Implementation strategies may include adoption of ordinances addressing wildlife and pet waste, retrofitting stormwater systems, and other stormwater best management practices (BMPs).

The New Jersey Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment Report (305(b) and 303(d)) (Integrated List) is required by the federal Clean Water Act to be prepared biennially and is a valuable source of water quality information. This combined report presents the extent to which New Jersey waters are attaining water quality standards, and identifies waters that are impaired. Sublist 5 of the Integrated List constitutes the list of waters impaired or threatened by pollutants, for which one or more TMDLs are needed. The Passaic River near Chatham is on Sublist 5 as being impaired due to high arsenic, cadmium, copper, lead, mercury, phosphorous, silver, zinc, cyanide, total suspended solids, and benthic macroinvertebrate levels.

The Borough of Chatham is a highly developed community with buildings and paved areas covering a significant portion of the land area; therefore, land available to absorb precipitation is reduced, and the amount of runoff is increased. Accordingly, in addition to water quality problems, the Borough has exhibited water quantity problems including flooding, stream bank erosion, and diminished base flow in its streams. The primary mode of stormwater conveyance in the northern part of the Borough near Main Street is through a subsurface storm drainage system consisting of catch basins, inlets, manholes, storm drains, and culverts which was built in the 1930s and 1940s. Stormwater runoff is collected by the catch basins and inlets and transported through the storm drains and culverts to a location where the stormwater discharges to the various waterways in the Borough. In the remainder of the Borough, stormwater runoff flows primarily along the streets by gutter flow, until it is collected by a central storm drain. Many of the storm drains and culverts associated with the drainage system in the Borough are undersized. During severe storm events, these undersized culverts do not have adequate capacity, thereby causing a backwater effect and flooding upstream. In addition, the catch basins and inlets are not adequate to intercept stormwater runoff flowing across many intersections.

Historical information indicates that the arch bridge under Main Street near Lafayette Avenue is an area of concern, as the size of the bridge may not be adequate for a 25-year storm event. The
majority of the storm sewers in the western portion of the Borough, between Chatham Street and the railroad tracks, also do not have adequate capacity to carry a 25-year storm event.

Flooding has been noted in the south-west portion of the Borough, between Dellwood Avenue and Washington Avenue. The Day's Brook has also exhibited problems related to its capacity. The Brook erodes private property in various areas along its length. This is due to poor slope protection on the stream banks combined with high channel velocities related to increased runoff, which causes the erosion.

A significant portion of the culverts were designed for much different hydrologic conditions (i.e., less impervious area) than presently exists in the Borough. As the imperviousness increased in the Borough, the peak and volumes of stream flows correspondingly increased. The increased amount of water resulted in stream bank erosion, which resulted in unstable areas at roadway/bridge crossings, and degraded stream habitats.

Several maps associated with the hydrologic conditions in the Borough are contained in this Plan. A map of the groundwater recharge areas in the Borough is shown on Figure 3, wellhead protection areas are shown on Figure 4, and a map depicting soils within the Borough is shown on Figure 5. In addition, a map of the Hydrological Unit Codes 14 (HUC14s) is included on Figure 6. HUC14s are sub-watersheds which are generally identified with a 12 or 14 digit code. The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for the Borough of Chatham, which is produced by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and depicts the floodplains in the Borough, is also included.
Design and Performance Standards

The Borough will adopt a Stormwater Control Ordinance which will incorporate the design and performance standards for stormwater management measures as presented in N.J.A.C. 7:8-5. This ordinance will be used to minimize the adverse impact of stormwater runoff with respect to water quality, water quantity, and loss of groundwater recharge in receiving water bodies. In order to ensure adequate long-term operation and maintenance of stormwater management measures in the Borough, the design and performance standards will include the requirements for maintenance of stormwater management measures consistent with the stormwater management rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8-5.8 (Maintenance Requirements). The design and performance standards will also include the requirements for safety standards consistent with N.J.A.C. 7:8-6 (Safety Standards for Stormwater Management Basins). This ordinance will be submitted to Morris County for review and approval prior to adoption. A draft copy of the Stormwater Control Ordinance for Chatham Borough is included in Appendix A.

It should be noted that the according to the NJAC 7:8, development and redevelopment in the Borough of Chatham may be exempt from the groundwater recharge requirements of the new Stormwater Management Rules. The groundwater recharge requirement does not apply to projects within an "urban redevelopment area". The urban redevelopment area is defined, among other criteria, as previously developed portions of areas delineated on the State Plan Policy Map (SPPM) as the Metropolitan Planning Area 1 (PA1) designated centers, in which the Borough is located. Despite this, development and redevelopment projects in the Borough will be encouraged to implement groundwater recharge where feasible.

Along with implementing the ordinances to address stormwater management design, maintenance, and safety, Borough inspectors (or their representatives) will observe the construction of projects to ensure that the stormwater management measures are constructed and function as designed.
Plan Consistency

There is currently no Regional Stormwater Management Plan specifically for the Passaic River, however, as noted in the Borough of Chatham Waterways section, a TMDL have been developed for the Passaic River. This MSWMP will be consistent with the goals of the TMDL. The primary stormwater related goals of the TMDL are to reduce fecal coliform sources related to geese and other wildlife; pet waste; and stormwater basins which act as an accumulation point for fecal matter. In order to help achieve these goals, the Borough will adopt new or revised ordinances related to wildlife feeding and pet waste. The Borough’s Stormwater Control Ordinance will address requirements for operation and maintenance of stormwater basins associated with development and redevelopment, and the Borough will also be required to conduct cleaning and maintenance of municipal stormwater facilities. If any RSWMPs or new TMDLs are developed in the future, this Municipal Stormwater Management Plan will be updated to be consistent with any new criteria.

This Municipal Stormwater Management Plan is consistent with the Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS) at N.J.A.C. 5:21. The Borough will utilize the most current update of the RSIS in the stormwater management review of residential areas. This MSWMP will be updated to be consistent with any future updates to the RSIS.

The Borough’s Stormwater Control Ordinance will require all new development and redevelopment plans to comply with New Jersey’s Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Standards. Borough inspectors (or their representatives) will observe on-site soil erosion and sediment control measures during construction and report any inconsistencies to the local Soil Conservation District.
Nonstructural Stormwater Management Strategies / Low Impact Development Techniques

Land development can have severe adverse stormwater impacts, particularly if the land is converted from woods, meadow, or other natural condition to a highly disturbed area with large percentages of impervious and non-native vegetated covers. Such impacts typically include an increase in stormwater runoff volume, rate, velocity, and pollutants and a corresponding decrease in the quality of runoff and stream flow. Frequently, management of these impacts has focused on collecting and conveying the runoff from the entire site through a structural conveyance system to a centralized facility (e.g., detention basin, wet pond) where it is stored and treated prior to discharge downstream. In effect, such practices first allow the adverse runoff impacts to occur throughout the site and then provide remedial and/or restorative measures immediately prior to releasing the runoff downstream.

Since the 1960s, the range of remedial measures provided in centralized stormwater management facilities has increased from merely 100-year peak flow attenuation, to the range of peak flow, volume, and nonpoint source pollutant controls required by New Jersey’s current Stormwater Management Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8. This has required modifications to established methods of runoff computation and the development of alternative treatment methods to be used in centralized facilities.

However, with the increasing emphasis on nonpoint source pollution and concerns over the environmental impacts of land development, it has become necessary to develop effective alternatives to the centralized conveyance and treatment strategy that has been the basis for much of the stormwater management systems and programs in the State. New strategies must be developed to minimize and even prevent adverse stormwater runoff impacts from occurring and then to provide necessary treatment closer to the origin of those impacts. Such strategies, known collectively as Low Impact Development or LID, seek to reduce and/or prevent adverse runoff impacts through sound site planning and both nonstructural and structural techniques that preserve or closely mimic the site’s natural or pre-developed hydrologic response to precipitation. Rather than responding to the rainfall-runoff process like centralized structural facilities, low impact development techniques interact with the process, controlling stormwater runoff and pollutants closer to the source and providing site design measures that can significantly reduce the overall impact of land development on stormwater runoff. As such, low impact development promotes the concept of designing with nature.

Effective low impact development includes the use of both nonstructural and structural stormwater management measures that are a subset of a larger group of practices and facilities known as Best Management Practices or BMPs. The BMPs utilized in low impact development, known as LID-BMPs, focus first on minimizing both the quantitative and qualitative changes to a site’s pre-developed hydrology through nonstructural practices and then providing treatment as necessary through a network of structural facilities distributed throughout the site. In doing so, low impact development places an emphasis on nonstructural stormwater management measures, seeking to maximize their use prior to utilizing structural BMPs.
Nonstructural BMPs used in low impact development seek to reduce stormwater runoff impacts through sound site planning and design. Nonstructural LID-BMPs include such practices as minimizing site disturbance, preserving important site features, reducing and disconnecting impervious cover, flattening slopes, utilizing native vegetation, minimizing turf grass lawns, and maintaining natural drainage features and characteristics. Structural BMPs used to control and treat runoff are also considered LID-BMPs if they perform these functions close to the runoff's source. As such, they are typically smaller in size than standard structural BMPs. Structural LID-BMPs include various types of basins, filters, surfaces, and devices located on individual lots in a residential development or throughout a commercial, industrial, or institutional development site in areas not typically suited for larger, centralized structural facilities.

Finally, low impact development promotes the view of rainwater as a resource to be preserved and protected, not a nuisance to be eliminated. For example, with low impact development, roof runoff can be captured and stored in rain barrels for plant watering or other uses. Runoff can also be directed to small on lot bioretention or infiltration basins, also known as rain gardens, to provide both runoff treatment and landscape enhancements.

Unfortunately, low impact development techniques and strategies are considered by some to be applicable only to land development sites with limited impervious cover. However, it has been clearly demonstrated that low impact development techniques can be applied to virtually any development site, regardless of impervious coverage, to produce enhanced site designs and "lower" stormwater impacts.

The use of nonstructural and structural LID-BMPs can be a significant improvement over the more centralized approach to stormwater management traditionally used in New Jersey. Even in those instances where centralized structural BMPs are still required to fully provide downstream areas with effective pollution, erosion, and flood protection, LID-BMPs can help to reduce the number and/or size of such facilities, further reducing site disturbance. And, in certain instances, it may be possible to satisfy all stormwater management requirements through the use of nonstructural LID-BMPs alone, thereby eliminating the need for any structural BMPs. In all instances, specific site and downstream conditions must be evaluated to determine the range of standard and low impact development BMPs that can be utilized at a land development site.

It is also important to note that, since low impact development typically relies on an array of nonstructural and relatively small structural BMPs distributed throughout a land development site, ownership and maintenance of the various BMPs may be similarly distributed over an array of property owners. As such, it is vital to have public understanding of and support for the various LID-BMPs officially authorized for use in a particular municipality. Such understanding and support must include an appreciation for the role that the LID-BMPs play in the site's or watershed's stormwater management program and a commitment to preserve and maintain them.

The use of both nonstructural and structural BMPs in low impact development is governed by certain principles, objectives and requirements. It should be noted that, while consideration of nonstructural stormwater management techniques at land development sites is required by the NJDEP Stormwater Management Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8, the NJDEP believes that effective, state-wide use of such practices can be best achieved through municipal master plans and land
development ordinances that mandate specific LID goals and authorize the use of specific LID-BMPs.

Nonstructural Stormwater Management Strategies

Effective low impact development includes the use of both nonstructural and structural stormwater management measures known as LID-BMPs. Of the two, nonstructural LID-BMPs play a particularly important role. The NJDEP Stormwater Management Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8 require in Section 5.2(a) that the design of any development that disturbs at least 1 acre of land or increases impervious surface by at least 1/4 acre must incorporate nonstructural stormwater management strategies "to the maximum extent practicable." Such a development is defined in the Rules as a "major development." As such, nonstructural LID-BMPs are to be given preference over structural BMPs. Where it is not possible to fully comply with the Stormwater Management Rules solely with nonstructural LID-BMPs, they should then be used in conjunction with LID and standard structural BMPs to meet the Rules’ requirements.

More precisely, to achieve the Rules’ design and performance standards, Subchapter 5 of the NJDEP Stormwater Management Rules requires the maximum practical use of the following nine nonstructural strategies at all major developments:

1. Protect areas that provide water quality benefits or areas particularly susceptible to erosion and sediment loss.
2. Minimize impervious surfaces and break up or disconnect the flow of runoff over impervious surfaces.
3. Maximize the protection of natural drainage features and vegetation.
4. Minimize the decrease in the pre-construction "time of concentration."
5. Minimize land disturbance including clearing and grading.
7. Provide low maintenance landscaping that encourages retention and planting of native vegetation and minimizes the use of lawns, fertilizers, and pesticides.
8. Provide vegetated open-channel conveyance systems discharge into and through stable vegetated areas.

In addition, Subchapter 5 further requires an applicant seeking approval for a major development to specifically identify which and how these nine nonstructural strategies have been incorporated into the development’s design. Finally, for each of those nonstructural strategies that were not able to be incorporated into the development’s design due to engineering, environmental, or safety reasons, the applicant must provide a basis for this contention.

While the nonstructural stormwater management strategies listed above represents a wide range of both objectives and practices, Strategies 1 through 8 can be directly addressed through the use of specific nonstructural LID-BMPs that can be grouped into four general categories:

1. Vegetation and Landscaping;
2. Minimizing Site Disturbance;
3. Impervious Area Management; and
4. Time of Concentration Modifications.

Listed below are examples of LID techniques that should be considered by the Borough. Although the Borough is not required to complete a thorough review and revision to its master plan and land use and zoning ordinances (because it has less than one (1) square mile of vacant or agricultural lands, per NJAC 7:8-4.2.10), these items should be considered for incorporation into the Borough’s Master Plan and/or ordinances. This list represents a sample of site planning and structural and nonstructural stormwater management strategies that can be used to reduce and/or prevent adverse stormwater runoff impacts.

Buffers – The use of buffer areas is encouraged along all lot and street lines separating residential uses from arterial and collector streets, separating a nonresidential use from either a residential use or residential zoning district line, and along all street lines where loading and storage areas can be seen from the street. Landscape requirements for these buffer areas should consider the use of native vegetation which requires less fertilization and watering than non-native species. Buffer areas can be utilized for stormwater management by disconnecting impervious surfaces and treating runoff from these impervious surfaces.

Cluster Development - cluster development is encouraged to preserve land for public and agricultural purposes, to prevent development on environmentally sensitive areas, and to aid in reducing the cost of providing streets, utilities and services in residential developments. This cluster option is an excellent tool for reducing impervious roads and driveways. The option allows for smaller lots with smaller front and side yard setbacks than traditional development options. It also minimizes the disturbance of large tracts of land, which is a key nonstructural stormwater management strategy. The use of native vegetation, which requires less fertilization and watering than non-native ornamental plants, is encouraged. The use of mulched or stone paths, to decrease the impervious area, is encouraged.

Curb and Gutters – the use of curb cuts or flush curbs with curb stops is encouraged to allow vegetated swales to be used for stormwater conveyance and to allow the disconnection of impervious areas.

Drainage - the use of natural vegetated swales in lieu of inlets and pipes is encouraged wherever possible.

Driveways and Accessways - The use of pervious paving materials to minimize stormwater runoff and promote groundwater recharge is encouraged.

Natural Features - natural features, such as trees, brooks, swamps, hilltops, and views, should be preserved whenever possible, and that care should be taken to preserve selected trees to enhance soil stability and landscaped treatment of the area.
Off-street Parking and Loading Areas - flush curb with curb stop, or curbing with curb cuts is encouraged to allow for the discharge of impervious areas into landscaped areas for stormwater management. The use of natural vegetated swales for the water quality design storm, with overflow for larger storm events into storm sewers should be considered. Pervious paving should be utilized in overflow parking areas.

Sidewalks - sidewalks should be designed to discharge stormwater to neighboring lawns where feasible to disconnect these impervious surfaces, or the use permeable paving materials should be considered where appropriate.

Soil Erosion and Sediment Control – in addition to the New Jersey Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Standards follow general design principles, including: whenever possible, retain and protect natural vegetation; minimize and retain water runoff to facilitate groundwater recharge; and, install diversions, sediment basins, and similar required structures prior to any on-site grading or disturbance.

Land Use/Build-Out Analysis

The Borough of Chatham occupies 2.35 square miles. Based on the 2000 Borough of Chatham Master Plan, there are 300 acres, or 0.47 square miles, of vacant land in the Borough. According to NJAC 7:8-4.2.10, if a municipality has a combined total of less than one square mile of vacant or agricultural lands, the land use/build-out analysis is not required as part of the MSWMP. Accordingly, the land use/build-out analysis is not included in this MSWMP. Given that Chatham Borough is an established community with a rather steady population and land use, the pollutant loads for total suspended solids, total nitrogen, and total phosphorous in the waterways will be similar when comparing the existing conditions to a full build-out scenario.
Mitigation Plans

A mitigation plan is provided for a proposed development that is granted a variance or exemption (by the Planning Board) from the design and performance standards of a municipal stormwater management plan. The mitigation requirements should offer a hierarchy of options that clearly offset the effect of groundwater recharge, stormwater quantity control, and/or stormwater quality control that was created by granting the variance or exemption. The applicant, in consultation with the Borough Engineer, and with approval of the Board, may choose from a list of specific projects which will be listed in the final MSWMP in order to compensate for the deficit from the performance standards resulting from the proposed project.

The mitigation project must be implemented in the same drainage area as the proposed development. The project must provide additional groundwater recharge benefits, or protection from stormwater runoff quality and quantity from previously developed property that does not currently meet the design and performance standards outlined in the Municipal Stormwater Management Plan. The developer must ensure the long-term maintenance of the project, including the maintenance requirements under Chapters 8 and 9 of the NJDEP Stormwater BMP Manual. If a suitable site cannot be located in the same drainage area as the proposed development, the mitigation project may provide mitigation that is not equivalent to the impacts for which the variance or exemption is sought, but that addresses the same issue. For example, if a variance is given because the 80 percent TSS requirement is not met, the selected project may address water quality impacts due to a fecal impairment.

It is important for the Borough to have sufficient information on each project, including size of the project, permit requirements, land ownership, and estimated project costs (i.e., permitting fees, engineering costs, construction costs, and maintenance costs). The Borough is in the process of compiling a list of potential mitigation projects. The projects will be evaluated in sufficient detail in order for the Borough to, at a minimum, provide the information listed above. The projects will also be evaluated with respect to the requirements of the proposed design and performance standards. A list and description of the mitigation projects will be included in the final version of the MSWMP due by April 2006.
Figures
Zoning Districts Within the Chatham Borough

Categorized Zoning
- Large Lot Single Family
- Medium Lot Single Family
- Small Lot Single Family
- Low Density Multi Family
- Medium Density Multi Family
- High Density Multi Family
- Retail/Service
- Commercial/Private Recreation
- Commercial/Industrial
- Public/ Institutional
- Mixed Use

Source:
The zoning districts and municipal boundaries were projected by the GIS Division of the Martin County Department of Planning, Development, and Technology. "Zoning Map" created by Martin County Department of Planning, Development, and Technology, GIS Division. GIS, 2010. GIS is the registered trademark of the Esri Company. The data and maps presented are subject to revision. The user is solely responsible for any consequences arising from its use. For more information about GIS products and services, please contact the GIS Division.

The solid black lines represent the Municipal Boundary. Darker shaded areas represent the Highlands Preservation Area. The smaller dotted lines represent streams.

Scale: 1:4,000

FIG. 1
Appendix A

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Section 1: Scope and Purpose

A. Policy Statement

Flood control, groundwater recharge, and pollutant reduction through nonstructural or low impact techniques shall be explored before relying on structural BMPs. Structural BMPs should be integrated with nonstructural stormwater management strategies and proper maintenance plans. Nonstructural strategies include both environmentally sensitive site design and source controls that prevent pollutants from being placed on the site or from being exposed to stormwater. Source control plans should be developed based upon physical site conditions and the origin, nature, and the anticipated quantity or amount of potential pollutants. Multiple stormwater management BMPs may be necessary to achieve the established performance standards for water quality, quantity, and groundwater recharge.

B. Purpose

It is the purpose of this ordinance to establish minimum stormwater management requirements and controls for “major development,” as defined in Section 2.

C. Applicability

1. This ordinance shall be applicable to all site plans and subdivisions for the following major developments that require preliminary or final site plan or subdivision review:
   a. Non-residential major developments; and
   b. Aspects of residential major developments that are not pre-empted by the Residential Site Improvement Standards at N.J.A.C. 5:21.

2. This ordinance shall also be applicable to all major developments undertaken by the Borough of Chatham.

D. Compatibility with Other Permit and Ordinance Requirements

Development approvals issued for subdivisions and site plans pursuant to this ordinance are to be considered an integral part of development approvals under the subdivision and site plan review process and do not relieve the applicant of the responsibility to secure required permits or approvals for activities regulated by any other applicable code, rule, act, or ordinance. In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this ordinance shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the

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promotion of the public health, safety, and general welfare. This ordinance is not intended to interfere with, abrogate, or annul any other ordinances, rule or regulation, statute, or other provision of law except that, where any provision of this ordinance imposes restrictions different from those imposed by any other ordinance, rule or regulation, or other provision of law, the more restrictive provisions or higher standards shall control.

Section 2: Definitions

Unless specifically defined below, words or phrases used in this ordinance shall be interpreted so as to give them the meaning they have in common usage and to give this ordinance its most reasonable application. The definitions below are the same as or based on the corresponding definitions in the Stormwater Management Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:8-1.2.

“CAFRA Planning Map” means the geographic depiction of the boundaries for Coastal Planning Areas, CAFRA Centers, CAFRA Cores and CAFRA Nodes pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:7E-5B.3.

“CAFRA Centers, Cores or Nodes” means those areas within boundaries accepted by the Department pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:8E-5B.

“Compaction” means the increase in soil bulk density.

“Core” means a pedestrian-oriented area of commercial and civic uses serving the surrounding municipality, generally including housing and access to public transportation.

“County review agency” means an agency designated by the County Board of Chosen Freeholders to review municipal stormwater management plans and implementing ordinance(s). The county review agency may either be:

A county planning agency; or

A county water resource association created under N.J.S.A 58:16A-55.5, if the ordinance or resolution delegates authority to approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove municipal stormwater management plans and implementing ordinances.

“Department” means the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

“Designated Center” means a State Development and Redevelopment Plan Center as designated by the State Planning Commission such as urban, regional, town, village, or hamlet.

“Design engineer” means a person professionally qualified and duly licensed in New Jersey to perform engineering services that may include, but not necessarily be limited to, development of project requirements, creation and development of project design and preparation of drawings and specifications.

“Development” means the division of a parcel of land into two or more parcels, the construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation or enlargement of any building or structure, any mining excavation or landfill, and any
use or change in the use of any building or other structure, or land or extension of use of land; by any person, for which permission is required under the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq. In the case of development of agricultural lands, development means: any activity that requires a State permit; any activity reviewed by the County Agricultural Board (CAB) and the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC), and municipal review of any activity not exempted by the Right to Farm Act, N.J.S.A. 4:1C-1 et seq.

“Drainage area” means a geographic area within which stormwater, sediments, or dissolved materials drain to a particular receiving waterbody or to a particular point along a receiving waterbody.

“Environmentally critical areas” means an area or feature which is of significant environmental value, including but not limited to: stream corridors; natural heritage priority sites; habitat of endangered or threatened species; large areas of contiguous open space or upland forest; steep slopes; and well head protection and groundwater recharge areas. Habitats of endangered or threatened species are identified using the Department’s Landscape Project as approved by the Department’s Endangered and Nongame Species Program.

“Empowerment Neighborhood” means a neighborhood designated by the Urban Coordinating Council “in consultation and conjunction with” the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority pursuant to N.J.S.A. 55:19-69.

“Erosion” means the detachment and movement of soil or rock fragments by water, wind, ice or gravity.

“Impervious surface” means a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.

“Infiltration” is the process by which water seeps into the soil from precipitation.

“Major development” means any “development” that provides for ultimately disturbing one or more acres of land. Disturbance for the purpose of this rule is the placement of impervious surface or exposure and/or movement of soil or bedrock or clearing, cutting, or removing of vegetation.

“Municipality” means any city, borough, town, township, or village.

“Node” means an area designated by the State Planning Commission concentrating facilities and activities which are not organized in a compact form.

“Nutrient” means a chemical element or compound, such as nitrogen or phosphorus, which is essential to and promotes the development of organisms.

“Person” means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, Borough of Chatham, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.

“Pollutant” means any dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, filter backwash, sewage, garbage, refuse, oil, grease, sewage sludge, munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, medical wastes, radioactive substance (except those regulated

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under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), thermal waste, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, industrial, municipal, agricultural, and construction waste or runoff, or other residue discharged directly or indirectly to the land, ground waters or surface waters of the State, or to a domestic treatment works. “Pollutant” includes both hazardous and nonhazardous pollutants.

“Recharge” means the amount of water from precipitation that infiltrates into the ground and is not evapotranspired.

“Sediment” means solid material, mineral or organic, that is in suspension, is being transported, or has been moved from its site of origin by air, water or gravity as a product of erosion.

“Site” means the lot or lots upon which a major development is to occur or has occurred.

“Soil” means all unconsolidated mineral and organic material of any origin.

“State Development and Redevelopment Plan Metropolitan Planning Area (PA1)” means an area delineated on the State Plan Policy Map and adopted by the State Planning Commission that is intended to be the focus for much of the state’s future redevelopment and revitalization efforts.

“State Plan Policy Map” is defined as the geographic application of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan’s goals and statewide policies, and the official map of these goals and policies.

“Stormwater” means water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land’s surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, or is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewage or drainage facilities, or conveyed by snow removal equipment.

“Stormwater runoff” means water flow on the surface of the ground or in storm sewers, resulting from precipitation.

“Stormwater management basin” means an excavation or embankment and related areas designed to retain stormwater runoff. A stormwater management basin may either be normally dry (that is, a detention basin or infiltration basin), retain water in a permanent pool (a retention basin), or be planted mainly with wetland vegetation (most constructed stormwater wetlands).

“Stormwater management measure” means any structural or nonstructural strategy, practice, technology, process, program, or other method intended to control or reduce stormwater runoff and associated pollutants, or to induce or control the infiltration or groundwater recharge of stormwater or to eliminate illicit or illegal non-stormwater discharges into stormwater conveyances.

“Tidal Flood Hazard Area” means a flood hazard area, which may be influenced by stormwater runoff from inland areas, but which is primarily caused by the Atlantic Ocean.
“Urban Coordinating Council Empowerment Neighborhood” means a neighborhood given priority access to State resources through the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority.

“Urban Enterprise Zones” means a zone designated by the New Jersey Enterprise Zone Authority pursuant to the New Jersey Urban Enterprise Zones Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27H-60 et. seq.

“Urban Redevelopment Area” is defined as previously developed portions of areas:

(1) Delineated on the State Plan Policy Map (SPPM) as the Metropolitan Planning Area (FA1), Designated Centers, Cores or Nodes;
(2) Designated as CAFRA Centers, Cores or Nodes;
(3) Designated as Urban Enterprise Zones; and
(4) Designated as Urban Coordinating Council Empowerment Neighborhoods.

“Waters of the State” means the ocean and its estuaries, all springs, streams, wetlands, and bodies of surface or ground water, whether natural or artificial, within the boundaries of the State of New Jersey or subject to its jurisdiction.

“Wetlands” or “wetland” means an area that is inundated or saturated by surface water or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions, commonly known as hydrophytic vegetation.

Section 3: General Standards

A. Design and Performance Standards for Stormwater Management Measures

1. Stormwater management measures for major development shall be developed to meet the erosion control, groundwater recharge, stormwater runoff quantity, and stormwater runoff quality standards in Section 4. To the maximum extent practicable, these standards shall be met by incorporating nonstructural stormwater management strategies into the design. If these strategies alone are not sufficient to meet these standards, structural stormwater management measures necessary to meet these standards shall be incorporated into the design.

2. The standards in this ordinance apply only to new major development and are intended to minimize the impact of stormwater runoff on water quality and water quantity in receiving water bodies and maintain groundwater recharge. The standards do not apply to new major development to the extent that alternative design and performance standards are applicable under a regional stormwater management plan or Water Quality Management Plan adopted in accordance with Department rules.

Section 4: Stormwater Management Requirements for Major Development
A. The development shall incorporate a maintenance plan for the stormwater management measures incorporated into the design of a major development in accordance with Section 10.

B. Stormwater management measures shall avoid adverse impacts of concentrated flow on habitat for threatened and endangered species as documented in the Department's Landscape Project or Natural Heritage Database established under N.J.S.A. 13:1B-15.147 through 15.150, particularly Helonias bullata (swamp pink) and/or Clemmys muhlenbergi (bog turtle).

C. The following linear development projects are exempt from the groundwater recharge, stormwater runoff quantity, and stormwater runoff quality requirements of Sections 4.F and 4.G:

1. The construction of an underground utility line provided that the disturbed areas are revegetated upon completion;

2. The construction of an aboveground utility line provided that the existing conditions are maintained to the maximum extent practicable; and

3. The construction of a public pedestrian access, such as a sidewalk or trail with a maximum width of 14 feet, provided that the access is made of permeable material.

D. A waiver from strict compliance from the groundwater recharge, stormwater runoff quantity, and stormwater runoff quality requirements of Sections 4.F and 4.G may be obtained for the enlargement of an existing public roadway or railroad; or the construction or enlargement of a public pedestrian access, provided that the following conditions are met:

1. The applicant demonstrates that there is a public need for the project that cannot be accomplished by any other means;

2. The applicant demonstrates through an alternatives analysis, that through the use of nonstructural and structural stormwater management strategies and measures, the option selected complies with the requirements of Sections 4.F and 4.G to the maximum extent practicable;

3. The applicant demonstrates that, in order to meet the requirements of Sections 4.F and 4.G, existing structures currently in use, such as homes and buildings, would need to be condemned; and

4. The applicant demonstrates that it does not own or have other rights to areas, including the potential to obtain through condemnation lands not falling under D.3 above within the upstream drainage area of the receiving stream, that would provide additional opportunities to mitigate the requirements of Sections 4.F and 4.G that were not achievable on-site.

E. Nonstructural Stormwater Management Strategies

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1. To the maximum extent practicable, the standards in Sections 4.F and 4.G shall be met by incorporating nonstructural stormwater management strategies set forth at Section 4.E into the design. The applicant shall identify the nonstructural measures incorporated into the design of the project. If the applicant contends that it is not feasible for engineering, environmental, or safety reasons to incorporate any nonstructural stormwater management measures identified in Paragraph 2 below into the design of a particular project, the applicant shall identify the strategy considered and provide a basis for the contention.

2. Nonstructural stormwater management strategies incorporated into site design shall:

   a. Protect areas that provide water quality benefits or areas particularly susceptible to erosion and sediment loss;
   
   b. Minimize impervious surfaces and break up or disconnect the flow of runoff over impervious surfaces;
   
   c. Maximize the protection of natural drainage features and vegetation;
   
   d. Minimize the decrease in the "time of concentration" from pre-construction to post construction. "Time of concentration" is defined as the time it takes for runoff to travel from the hydraulically most distant point of the watershed to the point of interest within a watershed;
   
   e. Minimize land disturbance including clearing and grading;
   
   f. Minimize soil compaction;
   
   g. Provide low-maintenance landscaping that encourages retention and planting of native vegetation and minimizes the use of lawns, fertilizers and pesticides;
   
   h. Provide vegetated open-channel conveyance systems discharging into and through stable vegetated areas;
   
   i. Provide other source controls to prevent or minimize the use or exposure of pollutants at the site, in order to prevent or minimize the release of those pollutants into stormwater runoff. Such source controls include, but are not limited to:
      
      (1) Site design features that help to prevent accumulation of trash and debris in drainage systems, including features that satisfy Section 4.E.3. below;
      
      (2) Site design features that help to prevent discharge of trash and debris from drainage systems;
      
      (3) Site design features that help to prevent and/or contain spills or other harmful accumulations of pollutants at industrial or commercial developments; and
      
      (4) When establishing vegetation after land disturbance, applying fertilizer in accordance with the requirements established under the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Act, N.J.S.A. 4:24-39 et seq., and implementing rules.
3. Site design features identified under Section 4.E.2.i.(2) above shall comply with the following standard to control passage of solid and floatable materials through storm drain inlets. For purposes of this paragraph, "solid and floatable materials" means sediment, debris, trash, and other floating, suspended, or settleable solids. For exemptions to this standard see Section 4.E.3.c below.

a. Design engineers shall use either of the following grates whenever they use a grate in pavement or another ground surface to collect stormwater from that surface into a storm drain or surface water body under that grate:

(1) The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) bicycle safe grate, which is described in Chapter 2.4 of the NJDOT Bicycle Compatible Roadways and Bikeways Planning and Design Guidelines (April 1996); or

(2) A different grate, if each individual clear space in that grate has an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or is no greater than 0.5 inches across the smallest dimension.

Examples of grates subject to this standard include grates in grate inlets, the grate portion (non-curb-opening portion) of combination inlets, grates on storm sewer manholes, ditch grates, trench grates, and grates of spacer bars in slotted drains. Examples of ground surfaces include surfaces of roads (including bridges), driveways, parking areas, bikeways, plazas, sidewalks, lawns, fields, open channels, and stormwater basin floors.

b. Whenever design engineers use a curb-opening inlet, the clear space in that curb opening (or each individual clear space, if the curb opening has two or more clear spaces) shall have an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or be no greater than two (2.0) inches across the smallest dimension.

c. This standard does not apply:

(1) Where the review agency determines that this standard would cause inadequate hydraulic performance that could not practicably be overcome by using additional or larger storm drain inlets that meet these standards;

(2) Where flows from the water quality design storm as specified in Section 4.G.1 are conveyed through any device (e.g., end of pipe netting facility, manufactured treatment device, or a catch basin hood) that is designed, at a minimum, to prevent delivery of all solid and floatable materials that could not pass through one of the following:

(a) A rectangular space four and five-eighths inches long and one and one-half inches wide (this option does not apply for outfall netting facilities); or

(b) A bar screen having a bar spacing of 0.5 inches.
3. Where flows are conveyed through a trash rack that has parallel bars with one-inch (1") spacing between the bars, to the elevation of the water quality design storm as specified in Section 4.G.1; or

4. Where the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection determines, pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.2(c), that action to meet this standard is an undertaking that constitutes an encroachment or will damage or destroy the New Jersey Register listed historic property.

4. Any land area used as a nonstructural stormwater management measure to meet the performance standards in Sections 4.F and 4.G shall be dedicated to a government agency, subjected to a conservation restriction filed with the appropriate County Clerk's office, or subject to an approved equivalent restriction that ensures that measure or an equivalent stormwater management measure approved by the reviewing agency is maintained in perpetuity.

5. Guidance for nonstructural stormwater management strategies is available in the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual. The BMP Manual may be obtained from the address identified in Section 7, or found on the Department's website at www.njstormwater.org.

F. Erosion Control, Groundwater Recharge and Runoff Quantity Standards

1. This subsection contains minimum design and performance standards to control erosion, encourage and control infiltration and groundwater recharge, and control stormwater runoff quantity impacts of major development.

a. The minimum design and performance standards for erosion control are those established under the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Act, N.J.S.A. 4:24-39 et seq. and implementing rules.

b. The minimum design and performance standards for groundwater recharge are as follows:

(1) The design engineer shall, using the assumptions and factors for stormwater runoff and groundwater recharge calculations at Section 5, either:

(a) Demonstrate through hydrologic and hydraulic analysis that the site and its stormwater management measures maintain 100 percent of the average annual pre-construction groundwater recharge volume for the site; or

(b) Demonstrate through hydrologic and hydraulic analysis that the increase of stormwater runoff volume from pre-construction to post-construction for the 2-year storm is infiltrated.

(2) This groundwater recharge requirement does not apply to projects within the “urban redevelopment area,” or to projects subject to (3) below. The Borough of Chatham is in an “urban redevelopment area” due to its designation as a...
Metropolitan Planning Area (PA1). For development in which groundwater recharge is not required, the use of groundwater recharge is encouraged where applicable.

(3) The following types of stormwater shall not be recharged:

(a) Stormwater from areas of high pollutant loading. High pollutant loading areas are areas in industrial and commercial developments where solvents and/or petroleum products are loaded/unloaded, stored, or applied, areas where pesticides are loaded/unloaded or stored, areas where hazardous materials are expected to be present in greater than “reportable quantities” as defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR 302.4; areas where recharge would be inconsistent with Department approved remedial action work plan or landfill closure plan and areas with high risks for spills of toxic materials, such as gas stations and vehicle maintenance facilities; and

(b) Industrial stormwater exposed to “source material.” “Source material” means any material(s) or machinery, located at an industrial facility, which is directly or indirectly related to process, manufacturing or other industrial activities, which could be a source of pollutants in any industrial stormwater discharge to groundwater. Source materials include, but are not limited to, raw materials; intermediate products; final products; waste materials; by-products; industrial machinery and fuels, and lubricants, solvents, and detergents that are related to process, manufacturing, or other industrial activities that are exposed to stormwater.

(4) The design engineer shall assess the hydraulic impact on the groundwater table and design the site so as to avoid adverse hydraulic impacts. Potential adverse hydraulic impacts include, but are not limited to, exacerbating a naturally or seasonally high water table so as to cause surficial ponding, flooding of basements, or interference with the proper operation of subsurface sewage disposal systems and other subsurface structures in the vicinity or downgradient of the groundwater recharge area.

c. In order to control stormwater runoff quantity impacts, the design engineer shall, using the assumptions and factors for stormwater runoff calculations at Section 5, complete one of the following:

(1) Demonstrate through hydrologic and hydraulic analysis that for stormwater leaving the site, post-construction runoff hydrographs for the two, 10, and 100-year storm events do not exceed, at any point in time, the pre-construction runoff hydrographs for the same storm events;

(2) Demonstrate through hydrologic and hydraulic analysis that there is no increase, as compared to the pre-construction condition, in the peak runoff rates of stormwater leaving the site for the two, 10, and 100-year storm events and that the increased volume or change in timing of stormwater runoff will
not increase flood damage at or downstream of the site. This analysis shall
include the analysis of impacts of existing land uses and projected land uses
assuming full development under existing zoning and land use ordinances in
the drainage area;

(3) Design stormwater management measures so that the post-construction peak
runoff rates for the 2, 10 and 100 year storm events are 50, 75 and 80 percent,
respectively, of the pre-construction peak runoff rates. The percentages apply
only to the post-construction stormwater runoff that is attributable to the
portion of the site on which the proposed development or project is to be
constructed. The percentages shall not be applied to post-construction
stormwater runoff into tidal flood hazard areas if the increased volume of
stormwater runoff will not increase flood damages below the point of
discharge; or

(4) In tidal flood hazard areas, stormwater runoff quantity analysis in accordance
with (1), (2) and (3) above shall only be applied if the increased volume of
stormwater runoff could increase flood damages below the point of discharge.

2. Any application for a new agricultural development that meets the definition of
major development at Section 2 shall be submitted to the appropriate Soil
Conservation District for review and approval in accordance with the requirements
of this section and any applicable Soil Conservation District guidelines for
stormwater runoff quantity and erosion control. For the purposes of this section,
"agricultural development" means land uses normally associated with the production
of food, fiber and livestock for sale. Such uses do not include the development of
land for the processing or sale of food and the manufacturing of agriculturally related
products.

G. Stormwater Runoff Quality Standards

1. Stormwater management measures shall be designed to reduce the post-construction
load of total suspended solids (TSS) in stormwater runoff by 80 percent of the
anticipated load from the developed site, expressed as an annual average. Stormwater
management measures shall only be required for water quality control if an
additional 1/4 acre of impervious surface is being proposed on a development site.
The requirement to reduce TSS does not apply to any stormwater runoff in a
discharge regulated under a numeric effluent limitation for TSS imposed under the
New Jersey Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) rules, N.J.A.C.
7:14A, or in a discharge specifically exempt under a NJPDES permit from this
requirement. The water quality design storm is 1.25 inches of rainfall in two hours.
Water quality calculations shall take into account the distribution of rain from the
water quality design storm, as reflected in Table 1. The calculation of the volume of
runoff may take into account the implementation of non-structural and structural
stormwater management measures.
Table 1: Water Quality Design Storm Distribution

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2. For purposes of TSS reduction calculations, Table 2 below presents the presumed removal rates for certain BMPs designed in accordance with the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual. The BMP Manual may be obtained from the address identified in Section 7, or found on the Department’s website at www.njstormwater.org. The BMP Manual and other sources of technical guidance are listed in Section 7. TSS reduction shall be calculated based on the removal rates for the BMPs in Table 2 below. Alternative removal rates and methods of calculating removal rates may be used if the design engineer provides documentation demonstrating the capability of these alternative rates and methods to the review agency. A copy of any approved alternative rate or method of calculating the removal rate shall be provided to the Department at the following address: Division of Watershed Management, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, PO Box 418 Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0418.

3. If more than one BMP in series is necessary to achieve the required 80 percent TSS reduction for a site, the applicant shall utilize the following formula to calculate TSS reduction:

\[ R = A + B - \frac{AXB}{100} \]

Where

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R = total TSS percent load removal from application of both BMPs, and
A = the TSS percent removal rate applicable to the first BMP
B = the TSS percent removal rate applicable to the second BMP

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4. If there is more than one onsite drainage area, the 80 percent TSS removal rate shall apply to each drainage area, unless the runoff from the subareas converge on site in which case the removal rate can be demonstrated through a calculation using a weighted average.

5. Stormwater management measures shall also be designed to reduce, to the maximum extent feasible, the post-construction nutrient load of the anticipated load from the developed site in stormwater runoff generated from the water quality design storm. In achieving reduction of nutrients to the maximum extent feasible, the design of the site shall include nonstructural strategies and structural measures that optimize nutrient removal while still achieving the performance standards in Sections 4.F and 4.G.

6. Additional information and examples are contained in the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual, which may be obtained from the address identified in Section 7.
7. In accordance with the definition of FW1 at N.J.A.C. 7:9B-1.4, stormwater management measures shall be designed to prevent any increase in stormwater runoff to waters classified as FW1.

8. Special water resource protection areas shall be established along all waters designated Category One at N.J.A.C. 7:9B, and perennial or intermittent streams that drain into or upstream of the Category One waters as shown on the USGS Quadrangle Maps or in the County Soil Surveys, within the associated HUC14 drainage area. These areas shall be established for the protection of water quality, aesthetic value, exceptional ecological significance, exceptional recreational significance, exceptional water supply significance, and exceptional fisheries significance of those established Category One waters. These areas shall be designated and protected as follows:

a. The applicant shall preserve and maintain a special water resource protection area in accordance with one of the following:

   (1) A 300-foot special water resource protection area shall be provided on each side of the waterway, measured perpendicular to the waterway from the top of the bank outwards or from the centerline of the waterway where the bank is not defined, consisting of existing vegetation or vegetation allowed to follow natural succession is provided.

   (2) Encroachment within the designated special water resource protection area under Subsection (1) above shall only be allowed where previous development or disturbance has occurred (for example, active agricultural use, parking area or maintained lawn area). The encroachment shall only be allowed where applicant demonstrates that the functional value and overall condition of the special water resource protection area will be maintained to the maximum extent practicable. In no case shall the remaining special water resource protection area be reduced to less than 150 feet as measured perpendicular to the top of bank of the waterway or centerline of the waterway where the bank is undefined. All encroachments proposed under this subparagraph shall be subject to review and approval by the Department.

b. All stormwater shall be discharged outside of and flow through the special water resource protection area and shall comply with the Standard for Off-Site Stability in the “Standards For Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey,” established under the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Act, N.J.S.A. 4:24-39 et seq.

c. If stormwater discharged outside of and flowing through the special water resource protection area cannot comply with the Standard For Off-Site Stability in the “Standards for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey,” established under the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Act, N.J.S.A. 4:24-39 et seq., then the stabilization measures in accordance with the requirements of the above
standards may be placed within the special water resource protection area, provided that:

(1) Stabilization measures shall not be placed within 150 feet of the Category One waterway;

(2) Stormwater associated with discharges allowed by this section shall achieve a 95 percent TSS post-construction removal rate;

(3) Temperature shall be addressed to ensure no impact on the receiving waterway;

(4) The encroachment shall only be allowed where the applicant demonstrates that the functional value and overall condition of the special water resource protection area will be maintained to the maximum extent practicable;

(5) A conceptual project design meeting shall be held with the appropriate Department staff and Soil Conservation District staff to identify necessary stabilization measures; and

(6) All encroachments proposed under this section shall be subject to review and approval by the Department.

d. A stream corridor protection plan may be developed by a regional stormwater management planning committee as an element of a regional stormwater management plan, or by a municipality through an adopted municipal stormwater management plan. If a stream corridor protection plan for a waterway subject to Section 4.G(8) has been approved by the Department of Environmental Protection, then the provisions of the plan shall be the applicable special water resource protection area requirements for that waterway. A stream corridor protection plan for a waterway subject to G.8 shall maintain or enhance the current functional value and overall condition of the special water resource protection area as defined in G.8.a.(1) above. In no case shall a stream corridor protection plan allow the reduction of the Special Water Resource Protection Area to less than 150 feet as measured perpendicular to the waterway subject to this subsection.

e. Paragraph G.8 does not apply to the construction of one individual single family dwelling that is not part of a larger development on a lot receiving preliminary or final subdivision approval on or before February 2, 2004, provided that the construction begins on or before February 2, 2009.

Section 5: Calculation of Stormwater Runoff and Groundwater Recharge

A. Stormwater runoff shall be calculated in accordance with the following:

1. The design engineer shall calculate runoff using one of the following methods:

a. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) methodology, including the NRCS Runoff Equation and Dimensionless Unit Hydrograph, as
described in the NRCS National Engineering Handbook Section 4 – Hydrology and Technical Release 55 – Urban Hydrology for Small Watersheds; or


2. For the purpose of calculating runoff coefficients and groundwater recharge, there is a presumption that the pre-construction condition of a site or portion thereof is a wooded land use with good hydrologic condition. The term “runoff coefficient” applies to both the NRCS methodology at Section 5.A.1.a and the Rational and Modified Rational Methods at Section 5.A.1.b. A runoff coefficient or a groundwater recharge and cover for an existing condition may be used on all or a portion of the site if the design engineer verifies that the hydrologic condition has existed on the site or portion of the site for at least five years without interruption prior to the time of application. If more than one land cover have existed on the site during the five years immediately prior to the time of application, the land cover with the lowest runoff potential shall be used for the computations. In addition, there is the presumption that the site is in good hydrologic condition (if the land use type is pasture, lawn, or park), with good cover (if the land use type is woods), or with good hydrologic condition and conservation treatment (if the land use type is cultivation).

3. In computing pre-construction stormwater runoff, the design engineer shall account for all significant land features and structures, such as ponds, wetlands, depressions, hedgerows, or culverts, which may reduce pre-construction stormwater runoff rates and volumes.

4. In computing stormwater runoff from all design storms, the design engineer shall consider the relative stormwater runoff rates and/or volumes of pervious and impervious surfaces separately to accurately compute the rates and volume of stormwater runoff from the site. To calculate runoff from unconnected impervious cover, urban impervious area modifications as described in the NRCS Technical Release 55 – Urban Hydrology for Small Watersheds and other methods may be employed.

5. If the invert of the outlet structure of a stormwater management measure is below the flood hazard design flood elevation as defined at N.J.A.C. 7:13, the design engineer shall take into account the effects of tailwater in the design of structural stormwater management measures.

B. Groundwater recharge may be calculated in accordance with the following:

Section 6: Standards for Structural Stormwater Management Measures

A. Standards for structural stormwater management measures are as follows:

1. Structural stormwater management measures shall be designed to take into account the existing site conditions, including, for example, environmentally critical areas, wetlands; flood-prone areas; slopes; depth to seasonal high water table; soil type, permeability and texture; drainage area and drainage patterns; and the presence of solution-prone carbonate rocks (limestone).

2. Structural stormwater management measures shall be designed to minimize maintenance, facilitate maintenance and repairs, and ensure proper functioning. Trash racks shall be installed at the intake to the outlet structure as appropriate, and shall have parallel bars with one-inch (1") spacing between the bars to the elevation of the water quality design storm. For elevations higher than the water quality design storm, the parallel bars at the outlet structure shall be spaced no greater than one-third (1/3) the width of the diameter of the orifice or one-third (1/3) the width of the weir, with a minimum spacing between bars of one-inch and a maximum spacing between bars of six inches. In addition, the design of trash racks must comply with the requirements of Section 8.D.

3. Structural stormwater management measures shall be designed, constructed, and installed to be strong, durable, and corrosion resistant. Measures that are consistent with the relevant portions of the Residential Site Improvement Standards at N.J.A.C. 5:21-7.3, 7.4, and 7.5 shall be deemed to meet this requirement.

4. At the intake to the outlet from the stormwater management basin, the orifice size shall be a minimum of two and one-half inches in diameter.

5. Stormwater management basins shall be designed to meet the minimum safety standards for stormwater management basins at Section 8.

B. Stormwater management measure guidelines are available in the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual. Other stormwater management measures may be utilized provided the design engineer demonstrates that the proposed measure and its design will accomplish the required water quantity, groundwater recharge and water quality design and performance standards established by Section 4 of this ordinance.

C. Manufactured treatment devices may be used to meet the requirements of Section 4 of this ordinance, provided the pollutant removal rates are verified by the New Jersey Corporation for Advanced Technology and certified by the Department.

Section 7: Sources for Technical Guidance

A. Technical guidance for stormwater management measures can be found in the documents listed at 1 and 2 below, which are available from Maps and Publications,
1. Guidelines for stormwater management measures are contained in the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual, as amended. Information is provided on stormwater management measures such as: bioretention systems, constructed stormwater wetlands, dry wells, extended detention basins, infiltration structures, manufactured treatment devices, pervious paving, sand filters, vegetative filter strips, and wet ponds.


B. Additional technical guidance for stormwater management measures can be obtained from the following:

1. The "Standards for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control in New Jersey" promulgated by the State Soil Conservation Committee and incorporated into N.J.A.C. 2:90. Copies of these standards may be obtained by contacting the State Soil Conservation Committee or any of the Soil Conservation Districts listed in N.J.A.C. 2:90-1.3(a) 4. The location, address, and telephone number of each Soil Conservation District may be obtained from the State Soil Conservation Committee, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, New Jersey 08625; (609) 292-5540;

2. The Rutgers Cooperative Extension Service, 732-932-9306; and

3. The Soil Conservation Districts listed in N.J.A.C. 2:90-1.3(a) 4. The location, address, and telephone number of each Soil Conservation District may be obtained from the State Soil Conservation Committee, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625, (609) 292-5540.

Section 8: Safety Standards for Stormwater Management Basins

A. This section sets forth requirements to protect public safety through the proper design and operation of stormwater management basins. This section applies to any new stormwater management basin.

B. Requirements for Trash Racks, Overflow Grates and Escape Provisions

1. A trash rack is a device designed to catch trash and debris and prevent the clogging of outlet structures. Trash racks shall be installed at the intake to the outlet from the stormwater management basin to ensure proper functioning of the basin outlets in accordance with the following:
a. The trash rack shall have parallel bars, with no greater than six inch spacing between the bars.

b. The trash rack shall be designed so as not to adversely affect the hydraulic performance of the outlet pipe or structure.

c. The average velocity of flow through a clean trash rack is not to exceed 2.5 feet per second under the full range of stage and discharge. Velocity is to be computed on the basis of the net area of opening through the rack.

d. The trash rack shall be constructed and installed to be rigid, durable, and corrosion resistant, and shall be designed to withstand a perpendicular live loading of 300 lbs/ft sq.

2. An overflow grate is designed to prevent obstruction of the overflow structure. If an outlet structure has an overflow grate, such grate shall meet the following requirements:

a. The overflow grate shall be secured to the outlet structure but removable for emergencies and maintenance.

b. The overflow grate spacing shall be no less than two inches across the smallest dimension.

c. The overflow grate shall be constructed and installed to be rigid, durable, and corrosion resistant, and shall be designed to withstand a perpendicular live loading of 300 lbs./ft sq.

3. For purposes of this paragraph 3, escape provisions means the permanent installation of ladders, steps, rungs, or other features that provide easily accessible means of egress from stormwater management basins. Stormwater management basins shall include escape provisions as follows:

a. If a stormwater management basin has an outlet structure, escape provisions shall be incorporated in or on the structure. With the prior approval of the reviewing agency identified in Section 8.C a free-standing outlet structure may be exempted from this requirement.

b. Safety ledges shall be constructed on the slopes of all new stormwater management basins having a permanent pool of water deeper than two and one-half feet. Such safety ledges shall be comprised of two steps. Each step shall be four to six feet in width. One step shall be located approximately two and one-half feet below the permanent water surface, and the second step shall be located one to one and one-half feet above the permanent water surface. See Section 8.D for an illustration of safety ledges in a stormwater management basin.

c. In new stormwater management basins, the maximum interior slope for an earthen dam, embankment, or berm shall not be steeper than 3 horizontal to 1 vertical.
C. Variance or Exemption from Safety Standards

1. A variance or exemption from the safety standards for stormwater management basins may be granted only upon a written finding by the appropriate reviewing agency (municipality, county or Department) that the variance or exemption will not constitute a threat to public safety.

D. Illustration of Safety Ledges in a New Stormwater Management Basin

Section 9: Requirements for a Site Development Stormwater Plan

A. Submission of Site Development Stormwater Plan

1. Whenever an applicant seeks municipal approval of a development subject to this ordinance, the applicant shall submit all of the required components of the Checklist for the Site Development Stormwater Plan at Section 9.C below as part of the submission of the applicant's application for subdivision or site plan approval.

2. The applicant shall demonstrate that the project meets the standards set forth in this ordinance.

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3. The applicant shall submit five copies of the materials listed in the checklist for site development stormwater plans in accordance with Section 9.C of this ordinance.

B. Site Development Stormwater Plan Approval

The applicant's Site Development project shall be reviewed as a part of the subdivision or site plan review process by the municipal board or official from which municipal approval is sought. That municipal board or official shall consult the engineer retained by the Planning and/or Zoning Board (as appropriate) to determine if all of the checklist requirements have been satisfied and to determine if the project meets the standards set forth in this ordinance.

C. Checklist Requirements

The following information shall be required:

1. Topographic Base Map

   The reviewing engineer may require upstream tributary drainage system information as necessary. It is recommended that the topographic base map of the site be submitted which extends a minimum of 200 feet beyond the limits of the proposed development, at a scale of 1"=200' or greater, showing 2-foot contour intervals. The map as appropriate may indicate the following: existing surface water drainage, shorelines, steep slopes, soils, erodible soils, perennial or intermittent streams that drain into or upstream of the Category One waters, wetlands and flood plains along with their appropriate buffer strips, marshlands and other wetlands, pervious or vegetative surfaces, existing man-made structures, roads, bearing and distances of property lines, and significant natural and manmade features not otherwise shown.

2. Environmental Site Analysis

   A written and graphic description of the natural and man-made features of the site and its environs. This description should include a discussion of soil conditions, slopes, wetlands, waterways and vegetation on the site. Particular attention should be given to unique, unusual, or environmentally sensitive features and to those that provide particular opportunities or constraints for development.

3. Project Description and Site Plan(s)

   A map (or maps) at the scale of the topographical base map indicating the location of existing and proposed buildings, roads, parking areas, utilities, structural facilities for stormwater management and sediment control, and other permanent structures. The map(s) shall also clearly show areas where alterations occur in the natural terrain and cover, including lawns and other landscaping, and seasonal high ground water elevations. A written description of the site plan and justification of proposed changes in natural conditions may also be provided.

4. Land Use Planning and Source Control Plan
This plan shall provide a demonstration of how the goals and standards of Sections 3 through 6 are being met. The focus of this plan shall be to describe how the site is being developed to meet the objective of controlling groundwater recharge, stormwater quality and stormwater quantity problems at the source by land management and source controls whenever possible.

5. Stormwater Management Facilities Map

The following information, illustrated on a map of the same scale as the topographic base map, shall be included:

a. Total area to be paved or built upon, proposed surface contours, land area to be occupied by the stormwater management facilities and the type of vegetation thereon, and details of the proposed plan to control and dispose of stormwater.

b. Details of all stormwater management facility designs, during and after construction, including discharge provisions, discharge capacity for each outlet at different levels of detention and emergency spillway provisions with maximum discharge capacity of each spillway.

6. Calculations

a. Comprehensive hydrologic and hydraulic design calculations for the pre-development and post-development conditions for the design storms specified in Section 4 of this ordinance.

b. When the proposed stormwater management control measures (e.g., infiltration basins) depend on the hydrologic properties of soils, then a soils report shall be submitted. The soils report shall be based on onsite boring logs or soil pit profiles. The number and location of required soil borings or soil pits shall be determined based on what is needed to determine the suitability and distribution of soils present at the location of the control measure.

7. Maintenance and Repair Plan

The design and planning of the stormwater management facility shall meet the maintenance requirements of Section 10.

8. Waiver from Submission Requirements

The municipal official or board reviewing an application under this ordinance may, in consultation with the municipal engineer, waive submission of any of the requirements in Sections 9.C.1 through 9.C.6 of this ordinance when it can be demonstrated that the information requested is impossible to obtain or it would create a hardship on the applicant to obtain and its absence will not materially affect the review process.
Section 10: Maintenance and Repair

A. Applicability

1. Projects subject to review as in Section 1.C of this ordinance shall comply with the requirements of Sections 10.B and 10.C.

B. General Maintenance

1. The design engineer shall prepare a maintenance plan for the stormwater management measures incorporated into the design of a major development.

2. The maintenance plan shall contain specific preventative maintenance tasks and schedules; cost estimates, including estimated cost of sediment, debris, or trash removal; and the name, address, and telephone number of the person or persons responsible for preventative and corrective maintenance (including replacement). Maintenance guidelines for stormwater management measures are available in the New Jersey Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual. If the maintenance plan identifies a person other than the developer (for example, a public agency or homeowners' association) as having the responsibility for maintenance, the plan shall include documentation of such person's agreement to assume this responsibility, or of the developer's obligation to dedicate a stormwater management facility to such person under an applicable ordinance or regulation.

3. Responsibility for maintenance shall not be assigned or transferred to the owner or tenant of an individual property in a residential development or project, unless such owner or tenant owns or leases the entire residential development or project.

4. If the person responsible for maintenance identified under Section 10.B.2 above is not a public agency, the maintenance plan and any future revisions based on Section 10.B.7 below shall be recorded upon the deed of record for each property on which the maintenance described in the maintenance plan must be undertaken.

5. Preventative and corrective maintenance shall be performed to maintain the function of the stormwater management measure, including repairs or replacement to the structure; removal of sediment, debris, or trash; restoration of eroded areas; snow and ice removal; fence repair or replacement; restoration of vegetation; and repair or replacement of nonvegetated linings.

6. The person responsible for maintenance identified under Section 10.B.2 above shall maintain a detailed log of all preventative and corrective maintenance for the structural stormwater management measures incorporated into the design of the development, including a record of all inspections and copies of all maintenance-related work orders.

7. The person responsible for maintenance identified under Section 10.B.2 above shall evaluate the effectiveness of the maintenance plan at least once per year and adjust the plan and the deed as needed.
8. The person responsible for maintenance identified under Section 10.B.2 above shall retain and make available, upon request by any public entity with administrative, health, environmental, or safety authority over the site, the maintenance plan and the documentation required by Sections 10.B.6 and 10.B.7 above.

9. The requirements of Sections 10.B.3 and 10.B.4 do not apply to stormwater management facilities that are dedicated to and accepted by the municipality or another governmental agency.

10. In the event that the stormwater management facility becomes a danger to public safety or public health, or if it is in need of maintenance or repair, the municipality shall so notify the responsible person in writing. Upon receipt of that notice, the responsible person shall have fourteen (14) days to effect maintenance and repair of the facility in a manner that is approved by the municipal engineer or his designee. The municipality, in its discretion, may extend the time allowed for effecting maintenance and repair for good cause. If the responsible person fails or refuses to perform such maintenance and repair, the municipality or County may immediately proceed to do so and shall bill the cost thereof to the responsible person.

B. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Borough from requiring the posting of a two-year performance or maintenance guarantee in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-53.

Section 11: Penalties

Any person who erects, constructs, alters, repairs, converts, maintains, or uses any building, structure or land in violation of this ordinance shall be subject to the following penalties: [Municipality to specify].

Section 12: Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the approval by the county review agency, or sixty (60) days from the receipt of the ordinance by the county review agency if the county review agency should fail to act.

Section 13: Severability

If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this ordinance.