

# Stormwater Training



Town of Yorktown  
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# Summary of Today's Training

- Stormwater review
- NYSDEC Stormwater Phase II program requirements
- **Illicit discharge detection and elimination (IDDE) overview**
- Video “A drop in the Bucket”
- Questions

# Distribution of water throughout the Earth

- Oceans and saline groundwater: 97.5%
- Freshwater: 2.5%
  - Ice caps: 1.7%
  - Groundwater: 0.7%
  - Lakes, rivers, streams, etc: 0.02%
  - Atmosphere: 0.001%
  - Soil Moisture: 0.001%
  - Biological water 0.0001%

# What is a Storm Sewer?



- **A Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) is:** A conveyance or system of conveyances owned by a state, city, town or other public entity that discharges to waters of the U.S. and is:
  - Designed and used for collecting or conveying stormwater
  - Not a combined sewer
  - Not part of a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW)

# NYSDEC Phase II Program Requirements: 6 Minimum Measures

- Public Education and Outreach
- Public Involvement/Participation
- **Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)**
- Construction Site Runoff Control
- Post Construction Stormwater Management
- **Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations**

# Required Stormwater Ordinances

- Town of Yorktown Stormwater Ordinance
  - Chapter 248: Stormwater Management
- Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

# What is an Illicit Discharge?

A discharge to an MS4 that is not composed entirely of stormwater **Exception:** permitted discharges and fire fighting related discharges

- Unique frequency, composition and mode of entry



# What isn't an illicit discharge

- Water line flushing
- Landscape irrigation
- Diverted stream flows
- Rising ground water
- Uncontaminated ground water infiltration
- Uncontaminated pumped ground water
- Discharges from potable water sources
- Foundation drains
- Air condition condensation
- Irrigation
- Springs
- Water crawl space pumps
- Footing drains
- Lawn watering
- Individual and residential car washing
- Flows from riparian habitats and wetlands
- Dechlorinated swimming pool discharges
- Street wash water



# The Main Contributors

- Sanitary wastewater
- Effluent from septic tanks
- Car wash wastewaters
- Improper oil disposal
- Household toxics
- Laundry wastewater
- Radiator flushing disposal
- Spills from roadway accidents



# Discharge Frequency Types

- Continuous discharges
  - Occur most or all of the time
- Intermittent discharges
  - Occur over a shorter period of time (a few hours per day or a few days per year)
- Transitory discharges
  - Occur rarely, usually in response to a singular event such as a spill, sewer break, accident or illegal dumping episode

# Mode of Entry

- Direct
  - Sewage, industrial, commercial cross-connection
  - Straight pipe
- Indirect
  - Spills
  - Dumping
  - Outdoor washing activities
  - Contaminated irrigation runoff

# Land Use and Potential Generating Sites

- **Residential:** Car washing, driveway cleaning, dumping, lawn/landscape watering, septic maintenance, swimming pool discharges
- **Commercial:** Power washing, dumping/spills, vehicle fueling, washing and maintenance, parking lot maintenance, outdoor fluid storage
- **Industrial:** Industrial process water, loading and un-loading area washdowns, outdoor material storage
- **Institutional (churches, cemeteries, hospitals, schools and universities):** Building maintenance, dumping, lawn care, vehicle washing
- **Municipal:** Building maintenance, dumping, landscaping, outdoor fluid storage, road maintenance, vehicle fueling, maintenance and washing

# Video

# Town of Yorktown IDDE Program

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- Illicit Discharge Hotline Tracking sheet
- Outfall Reconnaissance Inventory
- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

# SWPPP: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping



## Potential Pollution Sources

- Exposed material (fuel oil tanks, machinery, soil stockpiles, drums, pipes, etc)
- Spills and Leaks
- Salt Storage
- Septic Systems



# Annual Reporting Requirements

- IDDE

- Where, the nature of the discharge, corrective measures taken

- Municipal housekeeping

- Acres of parking lots swept
- Miles of streets swept
- Feet (miles) of swales cleaned
- Catch basin cleaning schedule
- Post-construction control practices inspected and cleaned
- Pounds of phosphorous, nitrogen and pesticides/herbicides applied



# Questions

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