

Part I: General Conditions

General Information

Name of Municipality or Organization: State:

EPA NPDES Permit Number (if applicable):

Primary MS4 Program Manager Contact Information

Name: Title:

Street Address Line 1:

Street Address Line 2:

City: State: Zip Code:

Email: Phone Number:

Fax Number:

Other Information

Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) Location (web address or physical location, if already completed):

Eligibility Determination

Endangered Species Act (ESA) Determination Complete?

Eligibility Criteria (check all that apply): ☐ A ☒ B ☐ C

National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Determination Complete?

Eligibility Criteria (check all that apply): ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C

☒ Check the box if your municipality or organization was covered under the 2003 MS4 General Permit

MS4 Infrastructure (if covered under the 2003 permit)

Estimated Percent of Outfall Map Complete? If 100% of 2003 requirements not met, enter an estimated date of completion (MM/DD/YY):

Web address where MS4 map is published:

If outfall map is unavailable on the internet an electronic or paper copy of the outfall map must be included with NOI submission (see section V for submission options)

Regulatory Authorities (if covered under the 2003 permit)

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) Authority Adopted? Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY):

Construction/Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) Authority Adopted? Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY):

Post- Construction Stormwater Management Adopted? Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY):

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Part II: Summary of Receiving Waters

Please list the waterbodies to which your MS4 discharges. For each waterbody, please report the number of outfalls discharging into it and, if applicable, the segment ID and any impairments.

Massachusetts list of impaired waters: Massachusetts 2014 List of Impaired Waters- <http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/water/resources/07v5/14list2.pdf>

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Part III: Stormwater Management Program Summary

Identify the Best Management Practices (BMPs) that will be employed to address each of the six Minimum Control Measures (MCMs). For municipalities/organizations whose MS4 discharges into a receiving water with an approved Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) and an applicable waste load allocation (WLA), identify any additional BMPs employed to specifically support the achievement of the WLA in the TMDL section at the end of part III.

For each MCM, list each existing or proposed BMP by category and provide a brief description, responsible parties/departments, measurable goals, and the year the BMP will be employed (public education and outreach BMPs also requires a target audience). **Use the drop-down menus in each table or enter your own text to override the drop down menu.**

MCM 1: Public Education and Outreach

BMP Media/Category (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	BMP Description	Targeted Audience	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Measurable Goal	Beginning Year of BMP Implementation
Displays/Posters/Kiosks	Public education and awareness	Residents	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018
Displays/Posters/Kiosks	Public education and awareness	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018
Displays/Posters/Kiosks	Public education and awareness	Developers (construction)	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018
Displays/Posters/Kiosks	Public education and awareness	Industrial Facilities	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018
Web Page	Posting stormwater management information on the Town website	Residents	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018
Web Page	Posting stormwater management information on the Town website	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Distribute at least two educational messages within the permit term (5 Years)	2018

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MCM 2: Public Involvement and Participation

BMP Categorization	Brief BMP Description (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Additional Description/ Measurable Goal	Beginning Year of BMP Imple- mentation
Public Review	SWMP Review	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Allow annual review of stormwater management plan and posting of stormwater management plan on website	2019
Public Participation	SWMP Review	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Allow public to comment on stormwater management plan annually	2019
Public Participation	Public Meeting - Stormwater, Partnership - Advocacy Groups	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Continue participation with watershed/waterbody associations, and post information about upcoming meetings on the Town website	2019
Public Participation	Cleanups - Shoreline/Waterbody	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Continue to support annual cleanups with the Assonet Bay Shores Association	2018
Public Participation	Household haz. waste/used oil collection	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Continue to host biannual hazardous waste collection days	2018
Public Participation	Water monitoring	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Continue to post information on Town website to encourage participation in water monitoring activities in partnership with the Taunton River Watershed Alliance	2018
Public Participation	Poster Contest	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Reestablish poster contest in-house by soliciting sponsorships from local businesses to create stormwater awareness practices	2018

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MCM 3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE)

BMP Categorization (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	BMP Description	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Measurable Goal (all text can be overwritten)	Beginning Year of BMP Implementation
SSO inventory	Develop SSO inventory in accordance of permit conditions	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of effective date of permit	2018
Storm sewer system map	Create map and update during IDDE program completion	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Update map within 2 years of effective date of permit and complete full system map 10 years after effective date of permit	2019
Written IDDE program	Create written IDDE program	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit and update as required	2018
Implement IDDE program	Implement catchment investigations according to program and permit conditions	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 10 years after effective date of permit	2019
Employee training	Train employees on IDDE implementation	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Train annually	2018
Conduct dry weather screening	Conduct in accordance with outfall screening procedure and permit conditions	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 3 years after effective date of permit	2019
Conduct wet weather screening	Conduct in accordance with outfall screening procedure	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 10 years after effective date of permit	2019
Ongoing screening	Conduct dry weather and wet weather screening (as necessary)	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete ongoing outfall screening upon completion of IDDE program	2018
Public Awareness	Stimulate public awareness for reporting of illegal dumping	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Continue to provide public contact information	2018

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MCM 4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

BMP Categorization (enter your own text to override the drop down menu or entered text)	BMP Description	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Measurable Goal (all text can be overwritten)	Beginning Year of BMP Implementation
Site inspection and enforcement of Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) measures	Complete written procedures of site inspections and enforcement procedures	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2018
Site plan review	Complete written procedures of site plan review and begin implementation	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2018
Erosion and Sediment Control	Adoption of requirements for construction operators to implement a sediment and erosion control program	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2018
Waste Control	Adoption of requirements to control wastes, including but not limited to, discarded building materials, concrete truck wash out, chemicals, litter, and sanitary wastes	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2018
Website	Update the Building Department website as necessary	Building Commissioner	Continue to update website	2018

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MCM 5: Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment

BMP Categorization (enter your own text to override the drop down menu or entered text)	BMP Description	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Measurable Goal (all text can be overwritten)	Beginning Year of BMP Implementation
As-built plans for on-site stormwater control	The procedures to require submission of as-built drawings and ensure long term operation and maintenance will be a part of the SWMP	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Require submission of as-built plans for completed projects	2018
Target properties to reduce impervious areas	Identify at least 5 permittee-owned properties that could be modified or retrofitted with BMPs to reduce impervious areas and update annually	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and report annually on retrofitted properties	2019
Allow green infrastructure	Develop a report assessing existing local regulations to determine the feasibility of making green infrastructure practices allowable when appropriate site conditions exist	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and implement recommendations of report	2019
Street design and parking lot guidelines	Develop a report assessing requirements that affect the creation of impervious cover. The assessment will help determine if changes to design standards for streets and parking lots can be modified to support low impact design options.	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and implement recommendations of report	2019

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MCM 6: Municipal Good Housekeeping and Pollution Prevention

BMP Categorization (enter your own text to override the drop down menu or entered text)	BMP Description	Responsible Department/Parties (enter your own text to override the drop down menu)	Measurable Goal (all text can be overwritten)	Beginning Year of BMP Implementation
O&M procedures	Create written O&M procedures including all requirements contained in 2.3.7.a.ii for parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, and vehicles and equipment	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete and implement 2 years after effective date of permit	2019
Inventory all permittee-owned parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, and vehicles and equipment	Create inventory	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 2 years after effective date of permit and implement annually	2019
Infrastructure O&M	Establish and implement program for repair and rehabilitation of MS4 infrastructure	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete 2 years after effective date of permit	2019
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)	Create SWPPPs for maintenance garages, transfer stations, and other waste-handling facilities	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Complete and implement 2 years after effective date of permit	2019
Catch basin cleaning	Establish schedule for catch basin cleaning such that each catch basin is no more than 50% full and clean catch basins on that schedule	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Clean catch basins on established schedule and report number of catch basins cleaned and volume of material moved annually	2018
Street sweeping program	Sweep all streets and permittee-owned parking lots in accordance with permit conditions	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Sweep all streets and permittee-owned parking lots once per year in the spring	2018
Road salt use optimization program	Establish and implement a program to minimize the use of road salt	Board of Selectmen, Town Administrator	Implement salt use optimization during deicing season	2018

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Actions for Meeting Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Requirements

Use the drop-down menus to select the applicable TMDL, action description to meet the TMDL requirements, and the responsible department/parties. If no options are applicable, or more than one, **enter your own text to override drop-down menus.**

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Actions for Meeting Requirements Related to Water Quality Limited Waters

Use the drop-down menus to select the pollutant causing the water quality limitation and enter the waterbody ID(s) experiencing excursions above water quality standards for that pollutant. Choose the action description from the dropdown menu and indicate the responsible party. If no options are applicable, or more than one, **enter your own text to override drop-down menus.**

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Part IV: Notes and additional information

Use the space below to indicate the part(s) of 2.2.1 and 2.2.2 that you have identified as not applicable to your MS4 because you do not discharge to the impaired water body or a tributary to an impaired water body due to nitrogen or phosphorus. Provide all supporting documentation below or attach additional documents if necessary. Also, provide any additional information about your MS4 program below.

Attachments:

Figure: MS4 Outfalls

Figure: Outfalls by Watershed

USFWS Correspondence

The outfalls included in Part II: Summary of Receiving Waters were selected based on a 100 foot distance from any waters of the U.S. Coordinates listed under unnamed water segments are based on the NAD 1983 StatePlane Massachusetts FIPS 2001 (US Feet) Coordinate System, and are listed as latitude/longitude in decimal degrees.

Regarding the ESA section 7 consultation, I agree that the MS4 Permit will not adversely affect the Northern Long-eared Bat, nor the Plymouth Redbelly Turtle in the MS4 area. The USFWS Concurrence Letter is attached.

Regarding the National Historic Preservation Act, under 36 CFR 800, this facility is an existing facility authorized by the previous Permit, and is not undertaking any activity involving subsurface land disturbance less than 1 acre. This MS4 Permit will have "no potential to cause effects," in accordance with 36 CFR 800.3(a)(1).

Part V: Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, I certify that the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:

[To be signed according to Appendix B, Subparagraph B.11, Standard Conditions]

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Name:

DAVID DEMANCHE

Title:

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Signature:

David Demanche

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Date:

9/28/18

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September 24, 2018

To whom it may concern:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) reviewed the stormwater discharge activities associated with the 2016 National Pollutant Discharge and Elimination System (NPDES) Massachusetts (MA) Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) general permit (MA MS4 General Permit) issued by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). We determined those activities may affect, but are not likely to adversely affect, certain species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973 (87 Stat. 884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) when specific conditions are met. When these conditions are met, we do not need to review individual projects. These comments are provided in accordance with section 7 of the ESA and complement existing 2016 MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C Guidance. We understand the applicant is acting as a non-Federal representative of the EPA for the purpose of consultation under section 7. **This letter provides additional guidance for meeting Criterion B and should be submitted as part of your application package to the EPA.**

If the USFWS Information for Planning and Consultation website (<https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/>) indicates your MA MS4 General Permit project action area may contain one or more of the following federally listed endangered species: roseate tern (*Sterna dougallii*), northern red-bellied cooter (*Pseudemys rubriventris*), dwarf wedgemussel (*Alasmidonta heterodon*), rusty patched bumble bee (*Bombus affinis*), northeastern bulrush (*Scirpus ancistrochaetus*), or American chaffseed (*Schwalbea americana*); threatened species: piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*), bog turtle (*Glyptemys muhlenbergii*), Puritan tiger beetle (*Cicindela puritana*), northeastern beach tiger beetle (*Cicindela dorsalis*), or red knot (*Calidris canutus rufa*); or their federally designated critical habitat; and the specific conditions listed below are met, you may submit this letter to complete the **MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C: Step 4** in place of a concurrence letter for informal consultation as documentation of ESA eligibility for **USFWS Criterion B**.

In addition, this letter also satisfies the requirement in the **MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C: Step 2 (3)** to contact the USFWS and obtain a concurrence letter, if you have not yet done so. If your project action area includes one or more of the above-listed species *and* one or more of the

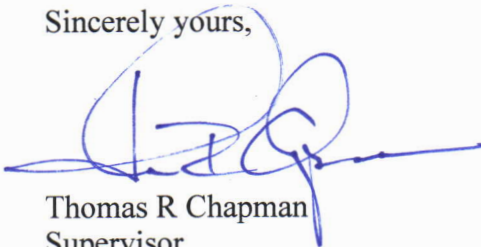
species listed under **Criterion C**,¹ you may still use this letter to certify under **Criterion B**. All existing guidance regarding requirements for certifying eligibility according to the USFWS Criterion A, B, or C for coverage by the 2016 MS4 Permit (see MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C – Endangered Species Guidance) remains unchanged.

We have determined that proposed stormwater discharge activities covered under the 2016 MS4 Permit *may affect, but are not likely to adversely affect*, the above-listed species and the species' critical habitat when the following are true:

1. all stormwater discharges are pre-existing or previously permitted by EPA;
2. any planned operations and maintenance work covered by this permit will only affect previously disturbed areas where stormwater controls are already installed. In these situations the chance of encountering any of the subject species is discountable;
3. the project implements EPA MS4 Best Management Practices (BMPs) and meets Clean Water Act and Massachusetts Water Quality Standards. Although permitted discharges may reach the environment used by these species, BMPs reduce pollutants to the extent that discharges are not known to have measurable impacts on these species or their habitat;
4. no new construction or structural BMPs are proposed under this permit at this time; and
5. you agree that if, during the course of the permit term, you plan to install a structural BMP not identified in the Notice of Intent (NOI), you will re-initiate consultation with the USFWS as necessary (see **MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C: Step 2 (5)**).

If the above criteria are met, further consultation with the USFWS under section 7 of the ESA is not required at this time; however, if the proposed action changes in any way such that it may affect a listed species in a manner not previously analyzed or if new information reveals the presence of additional listed species that may be affected by the project, the applicant or the EPA should contact us immediately and suspend activities that may affect those species until the appropriate level of consultation is completed with our office. Thank you for your cooperation, and please contact David Simmons of this office at (603) 227-6425 if you have questions or need further assistance.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas R Chapman
Supervisor
New England Field Office

¹ Criterion C includes guidance for project action areas that may contain species for which EPA has already made a determination. These species include the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), sandplain gerardia (*Agalinis acuta*), small whorled pogonia (*Isotria medeoloides*), and/or American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) (MA MS4 General Permit Appendix C: Step 3 – Determine if You Can Meet Eligibility USFWS Criterion C).

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Date: Wednesday, May 22, 2019 8:26:36 AM
Attachments: [ATT00001.txt](#)
[Freetown NOI pg.18.pdf](#)

Hi Michelle,

On behalf of the Town of Freetown, we can confirm that the Town will follow the requirements in part I of Appendix H of the permit for nitrogen for all discharges in the Taunton River Watershed.

See attached the updated page 18, including the nitrogen requirement addition.

Thank you,



Marissa A. Carvalho

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