

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? <i>(Part II, III, IV or V, Subpart B.3.(b.) of 2003 permit)</i>	Yes	Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY): 09/10/08
Construction/Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) Authority Adopted? <i>(Part II, III, IV or V, Subpart B.4.(a.) of 2003 permit)</i>	Yes	Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY): 08/11/08
Post- Construction Stormwater Management Adopted? <i>(Part II, III, IV or V, Subpart B.5.(a.) of 2003 permit)</i>	Yes	Effective Date or Estimated Date of Adoption (MM/DD/YY): 08/11/08

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Part II: Summary of Receiving Waters

Please list the waterbody segments to which your MS4 discharges. For each waterbody segment, please report the number of outfalls discharging into it and, if applicable, 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](http://www.mass.gov/eea/docs/dep/water/resources/07v5/14list2.pdf)

Check off relevant pollutants for discharges to impaired waterbodies (see above 303(d) lists) without an approved TMDL in accordance with part 2.2.2.a of the permit. List any other pollutants in the last column, if applicable.

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Waterbody segment that receives flow from the MS4	Number of outfalls into receiving water segment	Chloride	Chlorophyll-a	Dissolved Oxygen/ DO Saturation	Nitrogen	Oil & Grease/ PAH	Phosphorus	Solids/ TSS/ Turbidity	E. coli	Enterococcus	Other pollutant(s) causing impairments
Knox Pond	5	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Palmer Reservoir (36115)	1	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Bannard Brook (tributary to Quaboag River from Palmer Reservoir)	10	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Thompson Lake (36154)	7	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Unnamed tributary to Thompson Lake	3	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Unnamed ponds W of Flynt St and S of Mass Pike	4	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Unnamed tributary to Quaboag River crossing Flynt St	11	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
Allen Pond	3	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	
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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
Brochures/Pamphlets, Shared Social Media	Pet Waste Disposal	Residents	Conservation Commission	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2018
Brochures/Pamphlets, Shared Social Media	Proper Waste Disposal	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Conservation Commission	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2019
Brochures/Pamphlets, Shared Social Media	Erosion and Sediment Controls	Developers (construction)	Conservation Commission	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2018
Brochures/Pamphlets, Shared Social Media	Fleet Management	Industrial Facilities	Conservation Commission	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2019

Brochures/Pamphlets	Yard Care	Residents	Conservation Commission	distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2020
Brochures/Pamphlets	Lawn/Landscaping Care BMPs	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Conservation Commission	distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2021
Brochures/Pamphlets	Permeable Pavement	Developers (construction)	Conservation Commission	distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2020
Brochures/Pamphlets	Lawn/Landscaping Care BMPs	Industrial Facilities	Conservation Commission	distributed from town offices # distributed at public events Website visits Stories placed Estimated Audience	2021
Brochures/Pamphlets	Relevant LID Practices	Residents	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022
Brochures/Pamphlets	Relevant LID Practices	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022
Newspaper Articles/Press Releases, Displays	Relevant LID Practices	Developers (construction)	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022
Newspaper Articles/Press Releases, Displays	Relevant LID Practices	Industrial Facilities	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022

Brochures/Pamphlets	Septic System Maintenance	Residents	Health Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022
Brochures/Pamphlets	Motor Vehicle Care	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Conservation Commission	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2020
Brochures/Pamphlets	Septic System Design & Maintenance	Contractors	Health Department	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2022
Special Events/Festivals/Fairs	Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	Residents	Health Department	# cars/residents that participate in even	2018
Schools, Special Events/Festivals/Fairs	Enviroscape Demonstrations	Schools, General Public	Conservation Committee	# demonstrations	2018
Brochures/Pamphlets	Vegetated Filter Strips	Businesses, Institutions and Commercial Facilities	Conservation Committee	# distributed from town offices # distributed at public events	2020

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Part III: Stormwater Management Program Summary (continued)

MCM 2: Public Involvement and Participation

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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	DPW Operations	Complete within 1 year of effective date of permit	2019
Storm sewer system map	Create map and update during IDDE program completion	DPW Operations	Update map within 2 years of effective date of permit and complete full system map 10 years after effective date of permit	2020
Written IDDE program	Create written IDDE program	DPW Operations	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit and update as required	2019
Implement IDDE program	Implement catchment investigations according to program and permit conditions	DPW Operations	Complete 10 years after effective date of permit	2018
Employee training	Train employees on IDDE implementation	DPW Operations, Conservation Commission	Train annually	2018
Conduct dry weather screening	Conduct in accordance with outfall screening procedure and permit conditions	DPW Operations, Conservation Commission	Complete 3 years after effective date of permit	2021
Conduct wet weather screening	Conduct in accordance with outfall screening procedure	DPW Operations, Conservation Commission	Complete 10 years after effective date of permit	2021
Ongoing screening	Conduct dry weather and wet weather screening (as necessary)	DPW Operations, Conservation Commission	Complete ongoing outfall screening upon completion of IDDE program	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	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2019
Site plan review	Complete written procedures of site plan review and begin implementation	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2019
Erosion and Sediment Control	Adoption of requirements for construction operators to implement a sediment and erosion control program	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2019
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	Conservation Commission, Planning Department, Health Department, DPW	Complete within 1 year of the effective date of permit	2019

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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	Conservation Commission, Planning Department	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	Conservation Commission, Planning Department, DPW	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and report annually on retrofitted properties	2021
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	Conservation Commission, Planning Department, DPW	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and implement recommendations of report	2021
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.	Planning Department & DPW	Complete 4 years after effective date of permit and implement recommendations of report	2021

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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	DPW Operations	Complete and implement 2 years after effective date of permit	2020
Inventory all permittee-owned parks and open spaces, buildings and facilities, and vehicles and equipment	Create inventory	DPW Operations	Complete 2 years after effective date of permit and implement annually	2020
Infrastructure O&M	Establish and implement program for repair and rehabilitation of MS4 infrastructure	DPW Operations	Complete 2 years after effective date of permit	2020
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)	Create SWPPPs for maintenance garages, transfer stations, and other waste-handling facilities	DPW Operations	Complete and implement 2 years after effective date of permit	2020
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	DPW Operations	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	DPW Operations	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	DPW Operations	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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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.

The outfall map used to complete Part II: Summary of Receiving Waters includes outfalls and receiving waters required under the 2003 permit, as well as additional storm system details required under Phase I Mapping of the 2016 permit, including open channel conveyances (swales, ditches, etc.).

Several areas of interconnections with MADOT MS4s on MA RT-20, MA RT-32 & MA RT-181 have been identified and will be further investigated during Phase I mapping of 2016 permit as the exact location of the interconnection with MA DOT has yet to be identified. This is why we believe our outfall map is only 90% complete.

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:

Charles Blanchard

Title:

Town Manager

Signature:

Charles T. Blanchard

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

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In Reply Refer To:
Consultation Code: 05E1NE00-2018-SLI-3045
Event Code: 05E1NE00-2018-E-07183
Project Name: Palmer MS4

September 12, 2018

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location, and/or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/TOC-GLOS.PDF>

Please be aware that bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*), and projects affecting these species may require development of an eagle conservation plan (http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/eagle_guidance.html). Additionally, wind energy projects should follow the wind energy guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/windenergy/>) for minimizing impacts to migratory birds and bats.

Guidance for minimizing impacts to migratory birds for projects including communications towers (e.g., cellular, digital television, radio, and emergency broadcast) can be found at: <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/towers.htm>; <http://www.towerkill.com>; and <http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/CurrentBirdIssues/Hazards/towers/comtow.html>.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
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Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

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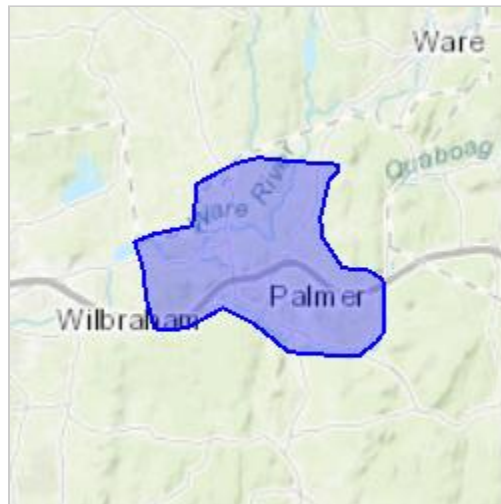
Project Name: Palmer MS4

Project Type: ** OTHER **

Project Description: Stormwater Management

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/place/42.17891311662902N72.34361757526257W>



Counties: Hampden, MA | Hampshire, MA

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 1 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

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1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Mammals

NAME	STATUS
Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045	Threatened

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.
