

OAKLAND COUNTY MS4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM PROCEDURE MAY 2021

I. POLICY:

This policy is to define the Oakland County MS4 Public Participation/Involvement Program (PPP).

II. BACKGROUND:

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) NPDES Phase II Stormwater Discharge Permit Application requires a procedure for public participation/involvement in the development and implementation of the Oakland County Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP). This procedure includes a description of the opportunities for the public to review and provide comment on the SWMP and for inviting public involvement and participation in the implementation and periodic review of the SWMP.

III. PROCEDURE:

A. Stormwater Management Plan Available for Public Inspection and Comment

The WRC has a website devoted to housing the County's Stormwater Management Plan ([SWMP](#)) and associated [biennial reporting](#) to EGLE. Visitors to the SWMP website will be able to view a digital version of the SWMP and will be able to provide input/comment on the plan through an email address (envreq@oakgov.com) or by phone (248-858-0958). Comments would be incorporated into future updates of the SWMP, as appropriate. The WRC stormwater manager will compile and track comments from the public including: commenter name, date, and details of comment(s).

The WRC works collaboratively with watershed partner communities, Cranbrook Institute of Science, SEMCOG, SOCWA, MSU-Extension and the watershed councils. At present, Oakland County participates in numerous environmentally-related committees and is a partner in the Collaborative Clinton River Watershed Public Education Plan that is being spearheaded by the Clinton River Watershed Council. The general public would be welcome at any and all of these committee meetings where they can provide their input on SWMP's at any time.

B. Public Involvement and Participation in the Implementation and Periodic Review of the Stormwater Management Plan

The following BMPs will be utilized to allow for public involvement and participation in the implementation and periodic review of the SWMP:

BMP	Description	Schedule	Method of Assessment
Web Site	<p>The WRC web site will be utilized to explain the program and opportunities for public involvement and participation. A link to the SWMP will also be available on the OCPRC's web page as outlined below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRC's Stormwater Management Plan webpage • OCPRC's Natural Resource Management Web site, under the "Freshwater Resources" drop-down, then under "Stormwater Management", will link to the SWMP on WRC's page 	Ongoing	<p>Number of hits on web sites.</p> <p>Summary of comments made on the SWMP available upon request.</p>
Public Notice of Availability of SWMP	<p>A press release regarding the availability of the SWMP will be made available to news outlets and will also be posted on WRC's "WRC in the News" website. WRC will also make the information available through its Facebook page and provide information in its quarterly newsletter that is distributed to approximately 1,500 individuals throughout the region (elected officials, WRC staff, media contacts, etc.)</p>	Press release to be published upon approval of SWMP from EGLE.	Summary of comments made on the SWMP available upon request.

IV. OTHER:

Any questions on this policy and procedure should be directed to the appropriate departments' Stormwater Manager.

V. PROCESS FOR UPDATING/REVISING THIS PROCEDURE

This procedure shall be reviewed once per permit cycle by the appropriate department's Stormwater Manager for any updates or to streamline the requirements.