

MS4 STORMWATER & NON-STORMWATER BYLAW WORKSHOP

for Neponset River Watershed Communities

PROPOSED 2016 MASSACHUSETTS MS4 PERMIT BYLAW REQUIREMENTS

EPA has told the MA Legislature
that the permit will be issued
by the end of January, 2016

Proposed New MS4 Bylaw Rules

- Minimum 1 acre threshold will be retained; other new requirements but will be easier to meet if smaller bylaw thresholds are adopted by municipalities
- Projects must remove pollution equivalent to that achievable from biofiltration of 1st inch of runoff from all impervious surfaces on site
- More detailed O&M requirements

Proposed New MS4 Bylaw Rules

- ▶ Stormwater Bylaw must be in place within 2 years of MS4 permit effective date
- ▶ Assessment of street design & parking lot guidelines and other local requirements affecting creation of impervious surfaces must be completed within 3 years of MS4 effective date
- ▶ non-stormwater bylaws revised within 5 years

WESTWOOD STORMWATER BYLAW AND REGULATIONS

- ▶ Adopted Spring, 2015
- ▶ Includes 1 inch rule
- ▶ Stormwater permit required for projects of ½ acre or more under strict regulatory standards

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- ▶ “Administrative Land Disturbance Review” and approval from Conservation Administrator for *non-permit* projects of 5,000 sq ft or more
- ▶ No written regulatory requirements for approval
- ▶ If project doesn’t pass Administrative Land Disturbance review, must obtain a Stormwater Permit from Conservation Commission