

Stormwater Management Rules Advisory Group
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
April 14, 2011

NJDEP staff met with members of the Stormwater Management Rules Advisory Group on April 14, 2011 for the fourth time. The goal of the meeting was to discuss specific requirements to encourage more effective implementation of nonstructural strategies.

Barry Chalofsky, Chief, Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control welcomed the group. The first issue discussed was the consolidation of Flood Hazard Area Control Act (FHACA) Rules stormwater issues and the Stormwater Management Rules. All of the stormwater management issues identified as part of the FHACA Rule stakeholder process will be addressed as part of the Stormwater Management Rule process. The following issues were identified in the FHACA rule stakeholder process:

1. The removal of forested areas for the installation of a stormwater BMP.
The forest / basin issue will be discussed during with the Broad Policy Issues under "Provide specific requirements and greater flexibility for nonstructural strategies.
2. Increases in runoff at the property boundaries.
This issue will be discussed with the Broad Policy Issue "Clarify technical requirements for water quality calculations."

Barry Chalofsky asked Steve Souza to update the group on the impervious question that was referred to the BMP Committee. Steve Souza commented that he had been asked to work with others in the BMP Committee to look into a water quality threshold that was runoff volume based. Additional members of the Advisory/BMP Committee (Joe Skupien, Peggy Snyder, Tony DiLodovico, Sandy Blick) were identified to participate into this threshold and to report to the Advisory Committee.

The need for separate standards for roads and linear projects was reiterated.

The nonstructural stormwater management strategies portion of the rule was discussed. To strengthen accountability of nonstructural measures on major development, the group reached a tentative decision that the Nonstructural Strategies Point System Excel Spreadsheet, subject to changes in certain policy and technical issues, should be made mandatory for all submissions along with a narrative discussion of the strategies employed. We will combine the past information received from the builders and the environmental community, and segregate the policy issues from the technical issues on the NSPS.

In addition, there was a tentative decision that every stormwater management report will be required to provide a narrative discussing how it complies with each portion of the requirements for the stormwater management rules. While many developers currently do this, it would be beneficial if it were required for all projects.

Dates for the next two meetings were proposed and will be held on May 5, 2011 2-4 PM and May 26, 2011, 10-12 AM.

ATTENDEES

American Littoral Society	Helen Henderson
Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions	Stephen Souza
Clean Ocean Action	Heather Saffert
New Jersey Builders Association	Tony DiLodovico
New Jersey Conservation Foundation	Leslie Sauer
New Jersey Environmental Federation	Dave Pringle
New Jersey Society of Municipal Engineers	Richard Moralle
New Jersey State Association of County Engineers	John Risko
NJDCA – Division of Codes and Standards	John Lago
NJDEP - Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control	Barry Chalofsky
NJDEP - Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control	Ed Frankel
NJDEP - Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control	Sandy Blick
NJDEP - Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control	Elizabeth Dragon
NJDEP – Bureau of Inland Regulation	Rick Reilly
NJDEP – Deputy Commissioner’s Office	Janice Brogle
NJDEP – Environmental Justice	John Gray
NJDEP – Land Use Management	Robert Piel
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NJDEP - Division of Water Quality	Michele Putnam
NJDEP - Division of Water Quality	Betty Boros-Russo
NJDOT	Kevin Bancroft
NJDOT	Ryan Reali
NJ Mosquito Control Association/ Monmouth County	Vicki Thompson
Pinelands Preservation Alliance	Jaclyn Rhoads
Site Improvement Advisory Board	Robert C Kirkpatrick
Watershed Association Representative	Jennifer Coffey, SBMWA
Watershed Association Representative	Peggy Snyder, CCSPWA