
Massachusetts MS4 Permit Finalized



The long-delayed 2016 Massachusetts Small MS4 General Permit covering stormwater discharges was signed April 4, 2016 and published in the Federal Register on April 13, 2016. The new permit will become effective July 1, 2017, at which point the MS4 operator has 90 days to submit a new Notice of Intent (NOI) to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in order to obtain authorization to discharge.

EPA will be holding a number of public meetings during the next 8 weeks to provide information on the permit. Meetings are scheduled as follows:

- Western Massachusetts - May 9, 2016 in Springfield
- Southeastern/Cape Cod Massachusetts - May 18, 2016 in West Barnstable
- Northeastern Massachusetts - May 19, 2016 in Haverhill
- Central Massachusetts - May 24, 2016 in Westborough, MA
- Boston Area - June 6, 2016 at EPA Region 1 in Boston MA

For additional information, including permit information and public meeting details, see the following EPA website at: https://www3.epa.gov/region1/npdes/stormwater/MS4_MA.html

Over the coming weeks CEI will be publishing additional information on the permit, as well as expected permit costs, funding opportunities, and available resources in a series of articles on our Innovations Webpage <http://ceiengineers.com/innovations/resources-br-innovations>. In the meantime, CEI is happy to answer any questions you may have about permit implementation. Please feel free to contact Rebecca Balke, P.E. at 508.281-5160 x308 rbalke@ceiengineers.com, or Nick Cristofori, P.E., x303, ncristofori@ceiengineers.com.

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