

# Forrest County Storm Water Module

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#### Purpose

- Reason for the Storm Water Program
- Overview of Forrest County Stormwater Ordinance
- Knowledge of Best Management Practices (BMPs)
- Pictures of Dos and Don'ts
- Construction Sites
- Good House Keeping
- Illicit Discharges

## Storm Water Phase II Program Regulated Small MS4 Designation

Automatic Nationwide Designation:

All small MS4s Located Within "Urbanized Areas" (UAs)

#### What is an MS4?

A municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) is a conveyance or system of conveyances... owned by a state, county, city, town, or other public entity that discharges to waters of the U.S. and is designated or used for collecting or conveying storm water.

## Storm Water Phase II Program "Urbanized Area" Definition

A central place (or places) -- core -- and the adjacent densely settled surrounding area -- fringe -- that together have a minimum population of 50,000 and a minimum average density of 1,000/square mile.

## FORREST COUNTY STORMWATER ORDINANCE

The information that follows is for informational purposes only. For more detailed information, refer to the actual Forrest County Stormwater Ordinance titled, "Forrest County Ordinance for Stormwater Runoff, Illicit Discharges and Illegal Connections" Copies can be obtained from the Planning Office (641 Main St.) or online at <a href="https://www.forrestcountyms.us">www.forrestcountyms.us</a>

- Adopted: January 6, 2005
- Purpose:
- A. To protect the environment, health, safety, property and general welfare of the citizens of Forrest County, MS through the regulation of stormwater runoff and illicit discharges into the county storm drainage or any separate storm sewer system, to the maximum extent practicable as required by federal and state law.
- B. The ordinance is not intended to modify or repeal any other ordinance, rule, regulation or other provision of law. The requirements of the ordinance are in addition to the requirements of any other ordinance, rule, regulation or other provision of law and where any provision of the ordinance imposes restrictions different from those imposed by any other ordinance, rule, regulations or other provision of law. Whichever provision is more restrictive or imposes higher protective standards for human health or the environment shall control.

- Objectives:
- To regulate or restrict the introduction of pollutants that may potentially enter the county drainage system.
- To prohibit illegal connections and discharges to any separate storm sewer system
- 3. To identify, define, and regulate erosion, sediment and detention controls related to strormwater runoff
- 4. To prevent discharges that may occur as a result of spills, inappropriate dumping or disposal and/or improper connections to the county drainage system, whether residential, industrial, commercial or institutional establishments.
- 5. To provide Forrest County with the authority to deal with stormwater runoff non-conformance and illicit discharges and to establish enforcement actions for those persons or entities found to be in noncompliance or that refuse to allow access to their facilities
- 6. To establish legal authority to carry out all inspection, surveillance, monitoring and enforcement procedures necessary to ensure compliance with the ordinance.

- Permitting:
- Permit applications shall be filled out and copy filed at the Forrest County Planning Department (641 Main St.). Stormwater permits and stormwater pollution prevention plans (SWPP) are required on developments as follows:
- <u>0-.9 acre of land disturbed:</u> no permit or SWPP required, only notification of the Planning Department.
- 1-5 acres of land disturbed: permit required from Forrest County
  Planning Department. A notice of intent (CNOI) and SWPPP must be submitted to the Planning Department. (Contact Planning Department for aforementioned forms)
- Above 5 acres of land disturbed: permit required from MDEQ. SWPPP and CNOI must also be submitted to MDEQ with a copy to the Forrest County Planning Department.

#### Violations:

It is unlawful for any person to violate the provisions of the ordinance. A person doing so will face enforcement actions. Whenever the Forrest County Board of Supervisors finds a violation has occurred, a written notice of violation will be given to the violator. The notice will contain the following:

- 1. Name and address of the alleged violator
- 2. The address when available or a description of the building, structure or land upon which the violation is occurring or has occurred
- 3. A statement specifying the nature of the violation
- 4. A description of the remedial measures necessary to restore compliance with the ordinance and time schedule for the completion of the remedial action
- 5. A statement of the penalty or penalties that shall or may be assessed against the person to whom the notice of violation is directed
- 6. A statement that the determination of violation may be appealed to the Forrest County Board of Supervisors by filling a written notice of appeal within thirty (30) days of service of notice of violation.

Violations, continued:

Notices may require:

- 1. The performance of monitoring, analyses and reporting
- 2. The elimination of illicit connections or discharges
- 3. That violating discharges, practices, or operations shall cease and desist.
- 4. The abatement or remediation of stormwater pollution or contamination hazards and the restoration or any affected property
- Payment of a fine or costs to cover administrative remediation, and/or abatement costs
- The implementation of source control, pollution prevention practices or treatment of BMPs

Penalties:

#### A. Civil

In the event the alleged violator fails to take the remedial measures set forth in the notice of violation or otherwise fails to cure the violations described therein within ten days, or such greater period as the local permitting authority shall deem appropriate, after the permitting authority has taken one or more of the actions described above, the local permitting authority may seek any legal or equitable remedy available under the law. The authorized enforcement agency may recover all attorney's fees, court costs, and other expenses associated with enforcement of this ordinance, including sampling and monitoring expenses. Additionally, failure to comply with MDEQ Stormwater Regulations may result in actions being taken by state and federal agencies in accordance with the Mississippi air and water pollution control law (Section 49-17-1 ET SEQ.) and the federal Clean Water Act.

#### Penalties:

#### B. Criminal

Violations of this ordinance shall be deemed a misdemeanor. The local permitting authority may issue a citation to the alleged violator requiring such person to appear before the appropriate court to answer charges for such violation. Upon conviction, such person shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per offense or imprisonment in the County jail not to exceed 6 months, or both. Each violation and each day upon which any violation shall continue, will constitute a separate offense.

#### C. Criminal Prosecution

Any person that has violated or continues to violate this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to criminal prosecution to the fullest extent of the law.

- Penalties:
- D. Injunction

If a person has violated or continues to violate the provisions of this ordinance, the authorized enforcement agency may petition for a preliminary or permanent injunction restraining the person from activities which would create further violations or compelling the person to perform abatement or remediation of the violation.

#### Alternative Action

In addition to any other remedy, the authorized enforcement agency may impose upon a violator alternative compensatory action, such as storm drain stenciling, attendance at compliance workshops, creek cleanup, etc.

### Storm Water Phase II Program

Automatically Designated Municipalities

Bay St. Louis

Biloxi

Brandon

Clinton

D'Iberville

DeSoto

Flowood

Forrest County

Gautier

Gulfport

Hancock County

**Harrison County** 

Hattiesburg

Hinds County

Horn Lake

**Jackson County** 

**Lamar County** 

Long Beach

Madison

**Madison County** 

Moss Point

Ocean Springs

Pascagoula

Pass Christian

Pearl

Petal

**Rankin County** 

Richland

Ridgeland

Southaven

Waveland

#### Storm Water Phase II Program Regulated Small MS4 Designation

Designation criteria MUST be developed and applied to small MS4s outside UAs serving a population > 10,000 and a population density > 1,000 sq.mi.

















### Construction Sites

# Erosion and Sediment Control Uncontrolled Sediment



#### **Erosion and Sediment Control**



# Erosion and Sediment Control Silt Fencing



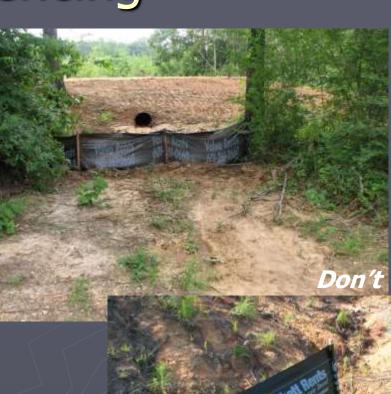






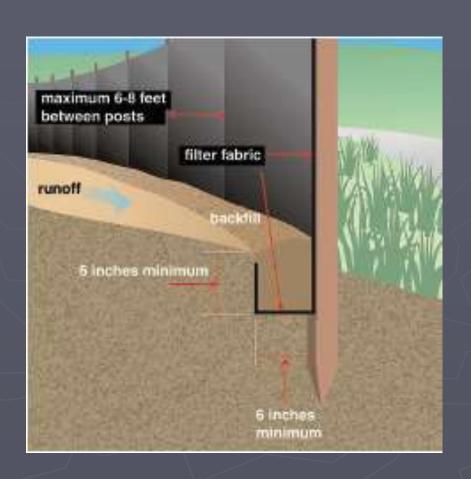
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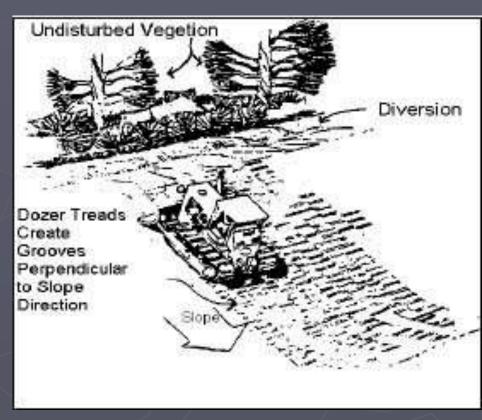
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#### Erosion and Sediment Control Hill Stabilization

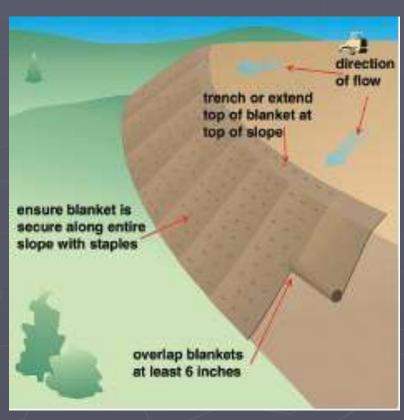


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#### Erosion and Sediment Control Hill Stabilization



# Erosion and Sediment Control Retention Pond



# Erosion and Sediment Control Construction Entrance





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# Erosion and Sediment Control Construction Entrance





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# Erosion and Sediment Control Sedimentation



# Erosion and Sediment Control Sedimentation



Erosion and Sediment Control

Storm Drains



### Erosion and Sediment Control Storm Drains

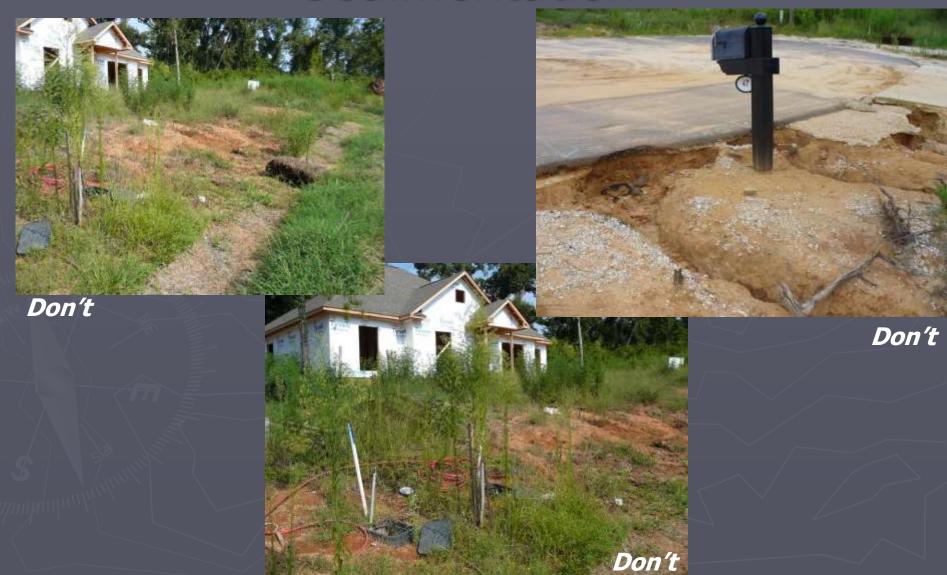


#### **Erosion and Sediment Control** Sedimentation





# Erosion and Sediment Control Sedimentation



## Good House Keeping

### Oil/Chemical Spills



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### Oil/Chemical Spills



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### Chemical Storage



Don't

## Illicit Discharges

### Illegal Dumps



Don't



### Sewer Connections



Don't



Don't

# Forrest County Illicit Discharges and Storm Water Contacts

JeVaughn Osgood601-583-7507

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### Emergency Spills

#### **Emergency Management / HazMat**

**►** 601-544-5911

### Local/State Storm Water Resources

City of Hattiesburg

www.hattiesburgms.com

Forrest County

<u>www.forrestcountyms.us</u>

**Lamar County** 

www.lamarcounty.com

Mississippi Dept. of Environmental Quality

www.mdeq.state.ms.us

City of Petal

www.cityofpetal.com