# EPA's 1990 Phase I and 1999 Phase II Stormwater Regulations

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## NPDES Program Overview

- "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System".
- 40 CFR Part 122 of EPA Federal Regulations.
- Oklahoma has Primacy = <u>OPDES</u>
- ODEQ is the "Permitting Authority"
- Addresses "Point Source" discharges from:
  - Wastewater <u>treatment plants</u>
  - Stormwater <u>MS4 runoff</u> (Phase I and II regs)
  - Stormwater <u>Construction</u> activities ≥1 acre (Phase I regs)
  - Stormwater <u>Industrial activities</u> (Phase I regs)



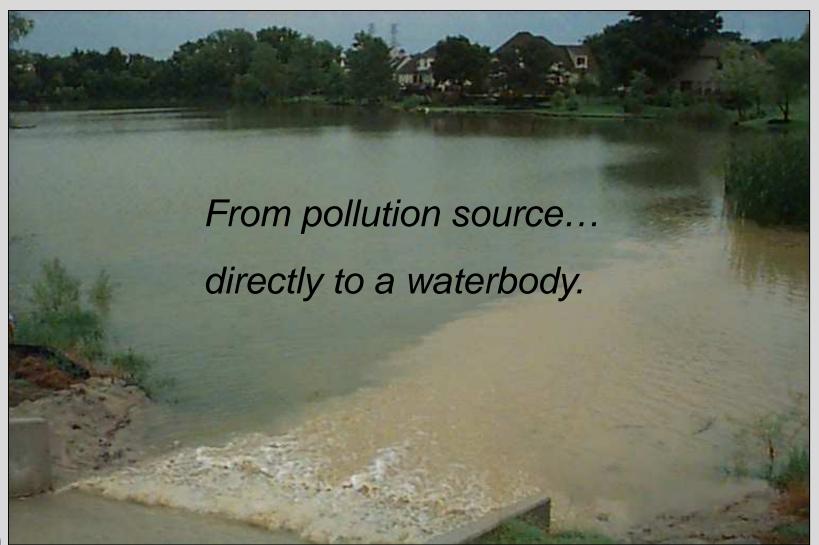
## NPDES Penalties for Non-Compliance

PENALTY TYPE	PROVISION	AMOUNT	PERIOD	PROVISION	MAX.	PRISON
Civil	Not to exceed	\$25,000	Per day	For each violation	-	
Admin Class I	Not to exceed	\$10,000		Per violation	\$25,000	
Admin Class II	Not to exceed	\$10,000	Per day	Of violation	\$125,000	
Criminal Negligence	Not less than	\$2,500 - \$25,000	Per day	Of violation	\$25,000	1 year
Criminal Knowing	Not less than	\$5,000 - \$50,000	Per day	Of violation	\$50,000	3 years
Knowing Endanger.	Not more than	\$250,000	1	For first conviction	\$250,000	15 years
Knowing Endanger.	Not more than	\$500,000	1	After first conviction	\$500,000	30 years
Criminal danger.	By an Organization	\$1,000,000		After first conviction	\$2,000,000	

### Phase 1 and 2 Basics

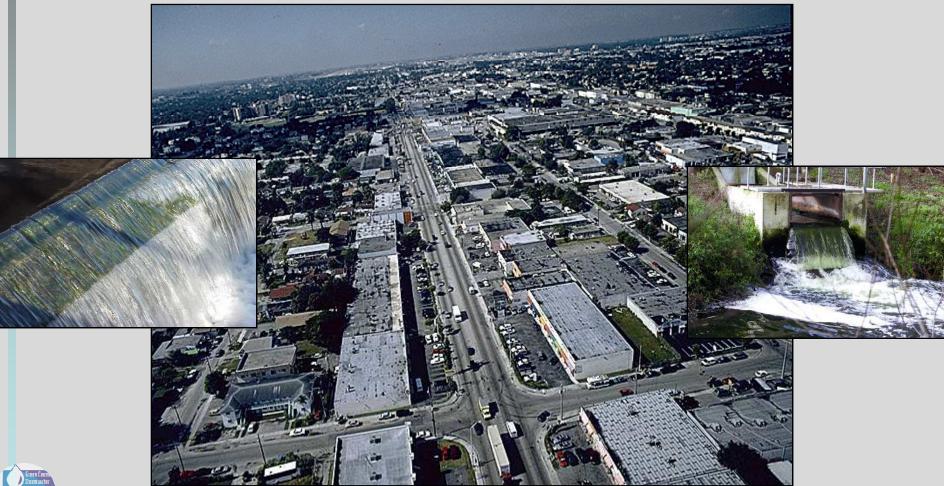


## A City's Storm Drain System Has No Pollution Treatment





# Urban Non-Point Sources: Are Now Regulated as <u>Point Sources</u>





#### NPDES Stormwater – Phase I and II

 A <u>true NPDES</u> permitting program with full penalty provisions as other discharge permits.

 Addresses urban nonpoint source pollution using point source regulations.



Phase I addresses:

Cities ≥ 100,000

Specific industrial activities

Construction ≥ 5 acres

 Phase II addresses cities and counties under 100,000 in "Urbanized Areas", ODEQ-designated, Construction 1-5 acres.

#### Overview of Phase II Program

- All Phase II permittees must comply with ODEQ's general permit for small MS4s (OKR04).
- Every Phase II permittee must implement a "<u>Stormwater</u>" <u>Management Program</u>" (SWMP).
- Phase II must <u>eliminate violations</u> of Water Quality Standards due to urban stormwater runoff.
- Permittees must implement numerous <u>Best Management</u>
   <u>Practices</u> (BMPs) to control runoff pollution.
- Each permittee must <u>document all actions</u> in order to demonstrate success.



## Summary of Phase 2 Permit Requirements



## **OKR04** Penalties for Non-Compliance

PENALTY TYPE	PROVISION	AMOUNT	PERIOD	PROVISION	MAX.	PRISON
Civil	Not to exceed	\$10,000	Per day	For each violation	1	1
Admin	Not to exceed	\$10,000	Per Day	Per violation	\$125,000	1
Criminal Action	Not less than	\$2,500	Per day	Of violation	\$2 million	30 year
Permit Fraud	Not more than	\$20,000	Per day	Of violation	\$20,000	4 years



## Illicit Discharge Definition

#### FROM EPA REGULATIONS:

Part 122.26(b)(2) <u>Illicit discharge</u> means <u>any</u> discharge to a municipal separate storm sewer that is not composed entirely of storm water

except discharges pursuant to a NPDES permit (other than the NPDES permit for discharges from the municipal separate storm sewer) and discharges





#### Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

According to 40 CFR 122.26(b)(8), "municipal separate storm sewer" means a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, man-made channels, or storm drains):

- (i) Owned or operated by a State, city, town, borough, county, parish, district, association, or other public body (created by or pursuant to State law)...including special districts under State law such as a sewer district, flood control district or drainage district, or similar entity, or an Indian tribe or an authorized Indian tribal organization, or a designated and approved management agency under section 208 of the Clean Water Act that discharges into waters of the United States.
- (ii) Designed or used for collecting or conveying storm water;
- (iii) Which is not a combined sewer; and
- (iv) Which is not part of a Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) as defined at 40 CFR 122.2.

#### Six "Minimum Control Measures"

- 1. Public Education and Outreach
- 2. Public <u>Participation</u> and Involvement
- 3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- 4. Construction Site Runoff Control
- 5. / Post-Construction Runoff Control
- 6. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping



## **SWMP Best Management Practices**

	CONTROL MEASURE ADDRESSED							
BMP DESCRIPTION	PUBLIC EDUCATION	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	ILLICIT DISCHARGE	CONSTRUCTION	POST- CONSTRUCTION	GOOD HOUSEKEEPING		
BROCHURES								
Water quality impacts from urban stormwater	X							
Household chemical disposal options	X	X	Χ					
Proper on-site sewage disposal system maint.	X		Х					
Chemical storage and disposal at businesses	X		Х			X		
Construction / erosion control BMPs				X	X			
Post-construction / erosion control BMPs					X			
City good house-keeping options						X		
How to become involved in stormwater program	X							
Recycling and re-use benefits	Χ	X	X					
Chemical storage and disposal at city facilities	X							
TRAINING MODULES								
Storage and disposal of chemicals						X		
Water quality impacts and regulations	X					X		
Data quality and data management			Х			Х		
How to conduct inspections effectively			X					
Stormwater and city activities						X		
MS4 MAPPING								
Regional MS4 system maps			X					
Regional GIS databases / set priority areas			X					



	CONTROL MEASURE ADDRESSED							
BMP DESCRIPTION	PUBLIC EDUCATION	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	ILLICIT DISCHARGE	CONSTRUCTION	POST- CONSTRUCTION	GOOD HOUSEKEEPING		
ADMINISTRATIVE			•					
Adopt illicit discharge ordinance			Х					
Adopt construction ordinance				Х				
Adopt post-construction ordinance					X			
Comply with state and local public notification				X	Х			
Program to receive information from the public			Х	Х	Х	Х		
Site Plan review to include water quality	X	X	Х	X	X	Х		
Support regional agency-sponsored seminars	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	Х		
Discuss Phase II in city council meetings	Х							
Collect local and regional pollution data			Х					
Develop regional stormwater web site	Х	X						
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT								
Sponsor local clean-up events	Х	X	Х			Х		
Create display board for public meetings	Х							
Create signs for community education	Х							
Create signs for city work areas						Х		
Blue Thumb school presentations	Х	X						
Blue Thumb volunteer stream monitoring	Х	X	Х					
Blue Thumb stormdrain marking	Х	X	Х					
Promote household pollutant collection events	Х	X	Х					
Promote use of recycling centers	X	X	Х					
Distribute items with water quality logos	Х							
INSPECTIONS								
Complaint investigations for MS4 system			Х					
Source tracking of pollutants in MS4 system			Х					
Inspection of construction sites and activities				Х	Х			
Good housekeeping inspections of city property						Х		

### Public Education and Participation



Booths at local festivals and events
Stormdrain marking
Volunteer stream monitoring
Brochures, newsletters
Give-away items with logos

Adopt a watershed
Adopt a stream
Household Pollutant Collections
Scouts, Camp Fire, etc.
Local school clubs & classes



#### Regional Events: Education and Clean-up



Semi-Annual Household
Pollutant Collection Event

Held Twice a Year at Tulsa Fair Grounds







## Blue Thumb Program

(Public Education and Volunteer Monitoring)





"Dump No Waste Drains to River"







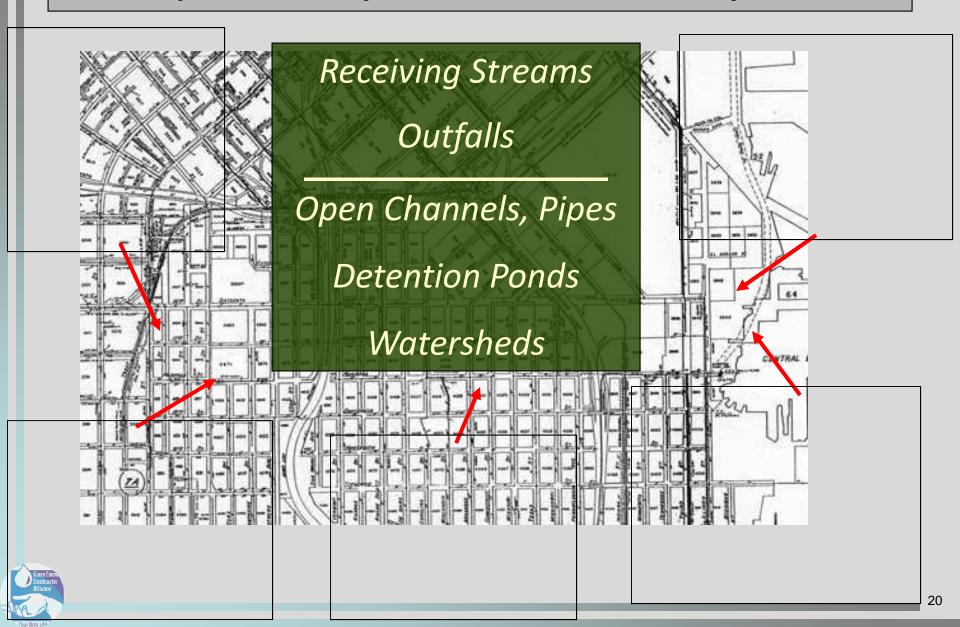
#### Illicit Discharge Control Measures

"You must develop, implement and enforce a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges..."

- Develop a storm sewer system <u>map</u> showing outfalls and streams.
- Prohibit through <u>ordinance</u>...non-stormwater discharges.
- Implement <u>enforcement</u> procedures.
- Develop a plan to <u>detect and address</u> non-stormwater discharges.
- <u>Inform</u> employees and public about improper disposal hazards.
- EPA "recommends" developing procedures to:
  - 1. Locate priority areas
  - 2. Trace the source of the illicit discharge
  - Remove the source of the discharge
  - 4. Evaluate and assess the program.



### Map the City's Storm Drain System



## Source-Tracking Inspections

Technical resources and skills will be needed for performing inspections. Crew Experience Field Safety Enforcement



#### Construction Related Control Measures

Phase 1 addressed <u>5 acres</u> and greater.

Phase 2 addresses 1 to 5 acres (<1 acre can also be designated).

#### What cities must do:

- Develop <u>ordinances</u> or other <u>regulations</u> for erosion and sedimentation.
- Require operators to use <u>sediment control BMPs</u>.
- Require water quality considerations in <u>site plans</u>.
- Develop procedures for site inspection and enforcement.
- Develop program to address stormwater runoff from <u>post-construction</u> activities.



City Codes must address construction site runoff and prohibit discharges that impair water quality.

City Inspectors must have the <u>authority</u> to control construction site runoff through enforcement of <u>local</u> codes.



## Dry Weather Field Screen and Construction Site Inspections

Visual observations

Chemical test kits

*Interviews* 

Private property entry

Lab samples



## Annual Report to Permitting Authority

- Status of compliance with permit conditions.
- Assessment of <u>BMP effectiveness</u>.
- Progress of achieving the <u>Measurable Goals</u>.
- Information analyzed and monitoring data.
- Summary of <u>future planned activities</u>.
- Proposed <u>changes in SWMP and BMPs</u>.
- Description / schedule of <u>additional BMPs</u>.
- Notify PA that <u>another entity</u> is being used to implement part of the SWMP, if any.

