Guide to using the CWMP.org website

Christina Watersheds Municipal Partnership

This guide is to help CWMP cost-share participants make the most of resources provided through the CWMP website (https://cwmp.org) to help you meet your MS4 requirements.

This document describes the major sections of the website, and lists the appropriate Minimum Control Measure (MCM) to which that section applies, if any. The resources and activities covered in each section may be appropriate to include in your individual MS4 Plan, as well as your Annual Report.

CWMP provides an annual report of its own activities, which includes a summary of MCM measures which might apply to your municipality.

If you have any questions regarding CWMP.org, you may contact Brian Winslow by email at bwinslow@brandywineredclay.org or by phone at 610-793-1090.

Password access to CWMP.org Partner Resources tab:

Unless you've been provided with your own password use the guest password to have full access including the password protected "Partner Resources" sections.

User Name: cwmuni
Password: MS4_Chesco

CWMP Calendar of Stormwater Activites (https://cwmp.org/cwmp-calendar/)

Meets **MCM 1, 2 & 6 Public Education and Outreach and Municipal Training**

This calendar lists programs, events and volunteer opportunities in Chester Country related to improving municipal stormwater and water quality. It is intended for municipal residents and those interested in water quality improvements. These events and activities include those put

on by the CWMP team, as well as those offered by conservation organizations and government entities.

The calendar Google calendar can be added to your municipal calendar, or embedded into a webpage.

If you have a stormwater related activity that you would like to add to this calendar, please send the details to us.

See this document for instructions on how to access the CWMP Google calendar feed.

Direct links to the calendar:

For Google calendars
https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=o2s32ci2prklimo2lp5k5gnqm4%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York

For Mac/Apple calendars
https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/o2s32ci2prklimo2lp5k5gnqm4%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics

See the document referenced above for the code to embed the calendar into web pages.

Please contact Andrew Homsey with any questions (ahomsey@udel.edu)

NEW MS4 Communication Tool Box: (https://cwmp.org/ms4-communication-tool-kit/) These resources are prepared to easily share public education information and links to cwmp.org and many can be cut and pasted into your websites and social media or printed for distribution at your municipality. These include:

- Stormwater related social media posts
- Stormwater flyers on different topics such as land development, agricultural practices, homeowner resources and each has a block to add your municipal name and website address.
- Look for more resources to be posted here in the future

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CWMP Homeowner, Farmer, and Building Project Resources

Meets **MCM 1, Public Education**

Three resources tabs are available to specific audiences. Consider providing links to these resources on your web pages. CWMP will maintain and update these resources for you.

- **Homeowner Resources:** (https://cwmp.org/homeowner_resources/) This page provides general information to homeowners and specific resources for activities you can do at home to improve water quality, including installing: rain gardens, porous paving, meadow and tree plantings, understanding the proper use of fertilizers and pesticides, and more.
- **Farmer Resources:** (https://cwmp.org/farmer_resources/) This page provides general information and resources to agricultural land owners and operators.
- **Building Project Resources:** (https://cwmp.org/developer_resources/) Many landowners planning building projects, such as adding a driveway, garage, pool or other improvement are not always aware of requirements related to stormwater. This page addresses these projects, potential regulations, and best practices.

Stormwater Regulations (MS4)

Meets **MCM 1, Public Education and MCM 6 Municipal Training**

Stormwater Regulations from the Clean Water Act, PADEP MS4 program, PA Act 167, Chester County Watersheds Plan and local ordinances can be confusing and difficult to navigate for residents, municipal staff, and elected officials. CWMP.org addresses these programs in two locations that you can link to on your stormwater pages to help inform residents and municipal staff.

- **Stormwater Regulations:** (https://cwmp.org/sw_regs/) This page is intended for residents and includes separate sections on: Municipalities (MS4), PA Act 167, Homeowners Stormwater and Small Projects, Farmers and Developers.
- **Stormwater Regulations for Municipalities:** (https://cwmp.org/stormwater-regulations-for-municipalities/) This page is intended for municipal staff and elected officials to understand the regulatory programs and your responsibilities.

CWMP Newsletter Articles: (https://cwmp.org/category/newsletter-article/)

Meets **MCM 1, Public Education**

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CWMP Google Discussion Group: (https://cwmp.org/discuss/)

May meet **MCM 6**

CWMP encourages municipal staff, supervisors, engineers, and professionals working to improve our Christina Watersheds to register and join the CWMP Google Group. This forum is for people to share ideas, questions, challenges, and successes regarding MS4 planning, stormwater management, and improvement of the Christina Watershed. You do not need to have a Gmail account to join.

Grants Listings: (https://cwmp.org/grants-and-funding/)

One of the most common concerns is funding MS4 projects. This page provides a list grants and funding sources for a wide variety of stormwater related practices and projects. Check back often as new funding sources are added.

Stormwater Training: (https://cwmp.org/stormwater-training/)

Meets **MCM 6 Good Housekeeping and Training (for municipal staff)**

Many sources exist for free and low cost training resources for your municipal staff to help meet your MCM 6 requirement and improve you knowledge of stormwater management and learn about new techniques. Revisit this site often as new resources are provided. Also check out the CMWP Calendar, where many of the workshops may be listed.

Contacting CWMP Planning Team Members (https://cwmp.org/contact/)

This online form enables you to contact us with any questions or comments. The About Us page also lists our home organizations, so you can get in touch with any of us that was as well.

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Feel free to use the CWMP logo if needed to demonstrate your municipality's participation in CWMP and stormwater management on a watershed scale. Your participation in CWMP demonstrates your collaboration with other municipality's and demonstrates to PADEP and other state agencies the broader resource that you're making available to your staff, elected officials and residents.