

**7077.0277 STORM WATER PROJECT PLAN.**

Subpart 1. **In general.** The storm water project plan must be prepared and signed by a professional engineer registered in the state of Minnesota.

Subp. 1a. **Approval by commissioner.** Storm water project plans must be submitted to the commissioner for review and approval. Approval shall be based on the commissioner's determination of the adequacy of the project plan to address the requirements of this part. If the municipality is proposing to change the selected treatment method or any other major element of a previously approved storm water project plan, the municipality must receive the commissioner's approval of a project plan addendum.

Subp. 2. **Contents.** A storm water project plan must address items A to F in the amount of detail that is appropriate to describe the project accurately.

A. A complete description of the storm water collection system, storm water treatment system if existent, and the identified need in the project service area.

B. A complete description of the project service area including the number of acres served, the estimated flow, and a description of the watershed.

C. A brief narrative describing project alternatives that were considered and a description of how the proposed project was selected.

D. A complete description of the project including location, best management practices to be implemented for the use of storm water treatment, estimated construction costs, and equipment replacement costs.

E. A description of the long-term maintenance plan including annual operation and maintenance costs and who will be responsible for performing maintenance activities. The maintenance plan must describe the intended life span of any proposed storm water treatment system.

F. An estimate of the reduction in pollutants. When applicable, the estimate must include any pollutants causing or contributing to the impairments in receiving waters.

Subp. 3. **Storm water project plan supplement.** In order to obtain the commissioner's approval of a storm water project plan, the municipality must submit the following items to the commissioner with the storm water project plan:

A. a completed environmental information worksheet;

B. a complete list of addresses the commissioner will use for a 30-day public notice of a summary of the environmental information worksheet. The addresses used for public notice purposes must be listed on a form prescribed by the commissioner;

C. a summary of the information presented and public comments received at a public hearing, required under subpart 4, and the action taken to address those comments;

D. a formal resolution of the municipality's governing body adopting the storm water project plan;

E. a list of ordinances and intermunicipal agreements necessary for the successful implementation and administration of the project; and

F. a certification from the appropriate county or watershed management organization assuring that the storm water project plan is consistent with the comprehensive local water plan.

Subp. 4. **Public hearing.** Before adopting the storm water project plan, the municipality must hold at least one public hearing to discuss the proposed project. The storm water project plan must be made available for review by interested persons before the date of the hearing. At the public hearing, information must be presented on the various treatment alternatives considered, the reasons for choosing the selected alternative, and the location of the proposed project site.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 115.03; 116.182; 446A.07*

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