



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Director

Mr. Benjamin Grumbles, Secretary
Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21230

Dear Mr. Grumbles:

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I am pleased to submit to you Montgomery County's Annual Progress Report on Watershed Restoration, Stormwater Management, and Water Quality Protection in compliance with our MS4 Permit requirements. This submission addresses reporting requirements for Permit No. 06-DP-3320 MD0068349 (the Permit, issued February 16, 2010) for the County's Fiscal Year (FY) from July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014 (FY14). The associated databases and supporting information are included as electronic files on an accompanying compact disc.

This is the fifth and final Annual Report for the current five-year Permit term. The County remains committed to implementing a robust and cutting edge program for better water quality protection. A summary of the County's MS4 programs that highlights accomplishments and identifies recommendations and lessons learned as we move forward can be found in the "Permit in Review" enclosure in the front of this report. The "Permit in Review" will be made available to the public along with this report.

The County has made much progress in meeting all of the Permit requirements since 2010, including maintaining adequate legal authority, identifying pollutant sources, expanding our stormwater facility maintenance and inspection program, and enhancing property management programs to reduce stormwater pollution. We are greatly expanding our stormwater pollution awareness outreach programs, making progress on meeting County wasteload allocations for approved Total Maximum Daily Loads, and assuring adequate funding for Permit required programs.

The County is continuing its unprecedented efforts to meet the Permit's significant watershed restoration requirement by planning, designing and building projects that will add control to 20 percent of the impervious areas not currently controlled to the maximum extent practicable (3,976 impervious acres). Restoration highlights over the Permit term include:

- Projects completed through FY14 have added control to 1,030 impervious acres.
- Projects under construction during FY14 will treat an additional 130 uncontrolled impervious acres.
- In FY14, DEP released task orders to DEP's water resources engineering consultants that facilitate the design of watershed restoration projects to control an additional 2,386 acres of uncontrolled impervious area.

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- Task Orders will be issued in FY15 to for projects that will add stormwater control to additional impervious acres.

The Six-Year Stormwater Management Capital Improvement Program (SWM CIP) budgets during the Permit term reflect the increase in implementation needed to meet the impervious area control goal. The approved FY15-FY20 budget totals \$363.7 million, an increase of 128.7 million, or 54.7% greater than the earlier, amended approved FY13-FY18 SWM CIP budget of \$235 million. This funding will cover constructing projects from the existing inventory of stormwater retrofits and stream restoration. In the next permit cycle, the County also intends to expand implementation of ESD projects.

The County's annual MS4 reports are based on fiscal year, so this report covers the County's progress towards meeting Permit requirements through June 30, 2014 (FY14). The County will submit a Final Watershed Restoration Report on June 30, 2015 to report County progress on restoration up to the end of the current Permit term (February 16, 2015). This final report will present the results of the County's comprehensive re-analysis of County controlled and uncontrolled impervious area and the amount of area treated by watershed restoration projects.

If there are any questions on the County's submission, please contact Steven Shofar, Manager, Division of Watershed Management at 240-777-7736.

Sincerely,



Lisa Feldt
Director

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Enclosure

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