



Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District Stormwater Management Plan Review Policy

Introduction

As a component of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District's (District) Regional Stormwater Management Program, as described in *Code of Regulations of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District Title V: Stormwater Management Code* (Title V), the District has established policies and procedures for reviewing Stormwater Management Plans for certain development activities within Member Communities.

Section 1.0 - Applicability and District Authority

Per Title V, Member Communities must provide the District, or require to be provided to the District, copies of the proposed Stormwater Management Plan for any project that is regulated by the Member Community's local stormwater management ordinance or resolution and that is located within the District's Stormwater Service Area. Appendix A shows the District's Stormwater Service Area, Member Communities, and the Regional Stormwater System. Title V can be found in the District's website <http://www.neorsd.org/stormwaterprogram.php>.

Failure of a Member Community to meet this submittal requirement is a violation of Title V. The District's comments on Stormwater Management Plans, however, are advisory only and are non-binding on the Member Community and the applicant. The District must provide any comments to the Member Community within a mutually agreed upon timeframe between the District and Member Community. If a mutually agreed upon timeframe is not established, the District must provide comments within 15 business days of receiving the Stormwater Management Plan. Finally, the District's review of Stormwater Management Plans is not intended to replace the Member Community's responsibility for review.

Please note that this requirement does not apply to Stormwater Management Plans for new development or redevelopment in the combined sewer system. These Stormwater Management Plans shall be submitted to the District and reviewed by the District pursuant to the requirements set forth in *Title IV: Combined Sewer Use Code* and the *Submittal Requirements for Connections to the Combined Sewer System*. Appendix B provides a map of the combined sewer system area.

Section 2.0 - Purpose of District Policy and Review Document

The District will review Stormwater Management Plans for potential impacts to the Regional Stormwater System and/or District-owned or operated Stormwater Control Measures under the Regional Stormwater Management Program. The purpose of this policy document is to provide Member Communities an overview of the District's review process.

Section 3.0 - Standards and Criteria

Minimum design standards and criteria set forth by the Member Community shall be used for designing stormwater management plans including all applicable federal and state regulations including but not limited to stormwater management, riparian and wetland setbacks, floodplain management and erosion and sediment control. The District will review plans with an



understanding of each Member Community's local stormwater management ordinance or resolution or other applicable requirements as detailed above. Member Communities shall update the District when local regulations pertaining to stormwater management are revised in order for the District to maintain a current list of standards.

Section 4.0 - Procedures for Submittal and Review

Per Title V, a Stormwater Management Plan is defined as written documents, calculations and engineering drawings that establish the stormwater management for a particular site, parcel, or area which meet the requirements of a Member Community's stormwater regulation. This may also include other items the Member Community may deem needs District review. This section outlines the procedures involved with the review process.

Section 4.1 Submittal

Stormwater Management Plan documentation in the separate sewer area of the District's Stormwater Service Area shall be submitted in hard copy or electronic format (preferred) to the District within seven (7) business days of the submission of such plans to the Member Community. Information should be sent to Mary Maciejowski at:

NEORSD -Watershed Programs Department

3900 Euclid Ave

Cleveland, OH 44115-2506

or

maciejowskim@neorsd.org

Section 4.2 District Review

The District will review Stormwater Management Plans for potential impacts to the Regional Stormwater System. The Regional Stormwater System is defined in Title V as the entire system of watercourses, stormwater conveyance structures, and Stormwater Control Measures in the District's Stormwater Service Area that are owned and/or operated by the District or over which the District has right of use for the management of stormwater, including both naturally occurring and constructed facilities.

The Regional Stormwater System generally includes watercourses, stormwater conveyance structures and Stormwater Control Measures receiving drainage from three hundred (300) acres of land or more. A map of the Regional Stormwater System is in Appendix A.

Title V defines a Stormwater Control Measure as an activity, measure, structure, device, or facility that helps to achieve stormwater management objectives including, without limitation, schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, operation and maintenance procedures, treatment requirements, and other practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of water resources, to control stormwater volume and/or rate, or to otherwise limit impacts to the Regional Stormwater System.

The District's review is not intended to duplicate or replace the Member Community review process. Using a watershed approach, the District will review Stormwater Management Plans



for potential regional impacts to the Regional Stormwater System with respect to flooding, erosion and water quality issues. This may include but not be limited to reviewing post-construction release rates, stormwater volume calculations and post-construction water quality treatment. If a Member Community is partially serviced by the District, the District will review Stormwater Management Plans for projects located anywhere in the Member Community, at the Member Community's request.

Section 4.3 Summary of Submittal Requirements

The following must be submitted to the District by the Member Community in hard copy and/or electronic format:

- Notice of any changes to local regulation regarding stormwater management
- Stormwater management report and project plan drawings for each project regulated by the member community
- Any supplemental information for District review

Section 5.0 - District Comments

The District must provide any written comments to the Member Community within a mutually agreed upon timeframe between the District and Member Community once the District receives a complete submittal. If a mutually agreed upon timeframe is not established, the District must provide comments within 15 business days of receiving the complete Stormwater Management Plan.

In order to accurately review a Stormwater Management Plan, the District may request, through the Member Community, additional supporting information (e.g. geotechnical data) if available.

Upon review of a Stormwater Management Plan, the District may encourage the engineer or developer to consider applying for Stormwater Fee Credits after construction is complete.

Section 6.0 - Cost

There is no cost to Member Communities or applicants for the District to review Stormwater Management Plans. The District provides technical review assistance as part of the Regional Stormwater Management Program to support Member Communities and to protect the Regional Stormwater System.

Section 7.0 - Typical Timeline and Communication

- Preliminary meeting scheduled, if required by Member Community
- Developer/Engineer submits Stormwater Management Plan to Member Community



- Member Community submits or causes to submit plans to District within 7 days of Receipt.
- District will review to ensure submittal is complete and may request additional supporting information. District confirms receipt of plans via email or phone.
- The District provides written comments within an agreed timeframe after receiving a complete submittal. If an agreed timeframe is not established the District must provide comments within 15 business days of receiving a complete Stormwater Management Plan.

Section 8.0 – Failure to Submit Stormwater Management Plans

Failure for a Member Community to submit or cause to submit Stormwater Management Plans to the District for review is a violation of Title V – Stormwater Management Code and subject to the full range of actions authorized under the District’s Code of Regulations including withholding Community Cost-Share Program funds.



Appendix A
Regional Stormwater System Map

Select the following link for the most current map:

https://www.neorsd.org/!_Library.php?SOURCE=library/RSS_WATERSHEDS_10172017.jpg&a=download_file&LIBRARY_RECORD_ID=7264

Appendix B Combined Sewer System Area Map

