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# Department of Environmental Protection Stormwater Facility Maintenance and Inspection Program

Regional Stormwater Procurement Workshop

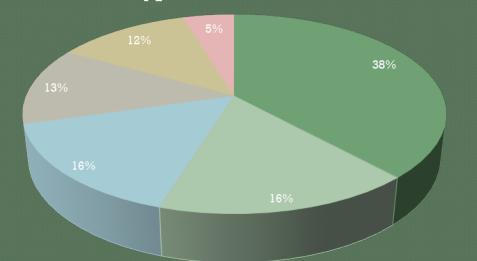
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## The MS4 Permit requires inspections and maintenance for all BMPs

- Preventative maintenance inspections on a triennial basis;
- Maintenance to ensure function of facilities;
- Follow-up inspections to ensure necessary repairs are complete; and
- Enforcement actions to ensure compliance.



## Types of SWM Facilities in the County



% Types of SWM Facilities

Environmental Site Design (ESD) 38%
Filtration 16%
Other 16%
Ponds 13%
Hydrodynamic Structures 12%
Underground Storage 5%

# Stormwater Facility Maintenance Program

- DEP is responsible for inspection of all stormwater management facilities\*
- DEP is responsible for ensuring all stormwater facilities\* are functioning properly
  - DEP maintained
  - Privately maintained
- Funded by Water Quality Protection Charge





# Maintenance Responsibility

- DEP Maintained
  - Publicly owned properties
  - Structural practices on residential properties that were transferred into DEP's maintenance program

Privately Maintained

- Facilities on commercial properties
- Pre- 2003 Facilities on residential properties that have not been transferred into DEP's program

- All property owners are responsible for non-structural maintenance
- County performs structural maintenance for DEP maintained facilities
- ESD practices are considered non-structural and are the responsibility of the property owner

## Non-Structural Maintenance

- Landscaping
- Mowing

- Over grown vegetation
- Woody vegetation
- Trash removal
- Aesthetics

## **Structural Maintenance**

- Typical Routine
  - Blocked low flow
  - Animal burrows
  - Minor sediment removal

- Sand filter tilling
- Flow splitter cleaning
- Cleaning UG facilities



## Structural Maintenance- Major Structural Repair

- Capital Projects
  - Dredging
  - Slip-lining
  - Dam failures
    - Barrel replacements
    - Riser replacements
  - Safety improvements
  - Retrofits



#### There are 12,000 facilities in the Asset Management System

- BMP assets and their inspections and maintenance are tracked and scheduled through an asset management system
- Contractors must be able to use the asset management system
- The system integrates inspection and maintenance work order tracking and allows DEP to compile data to meet permit requirements
- Work orders are issued through the asset management system against blanket purchase orders.
- Work is invoiced according to contract prices

# Contracts for Inspection and Maintenance

- Triennial inspections for aboveground, underground and ESD facilities are done under one contract. This contract expires in 2018.
- Maintenance work is done under multiple contracts by BMP category:
  - Above ground one contract; expires in 2018
  - Underground one contract; expires in 2018
  - Green Roofs one contract; expires in 2018
  - Porous Pavement TBD

- CIP Contracts and Task Orders
  - Dredging Design and Construction Oversight- one contract; expires in 2021
  - Other Water Resources Engineering done under Capital Project Division Contracts



## **Triennial Inspection Contract**

- RFP for Engineering Services for Stormwater Management Facility Inspections, January 2012
- \$1.5 million annual budget
- Compensation based on fully burdened hourly rates and unit price schedule.
- Inspections conducted with existing checklists, developed additional under contract
- Includes dam safety inspections, closed circuit TV inspections
- Also includes some engineering services:
  - Bathymetric surveys
  - Easement preparation- metes and bounds
  - Property ownership research
  - Ability to issue request for task order proposals for other inspection related engineering services

i.e. Natural resources delineation- for Joint Permit applications

## Aboveground Maintenance Contract

- IFB -Repair and Maintenance of Aboveground Stormwater Management Facilities, November 2011
- \$2.0 million annual budget
- Firm fixed price, indefinite quantity contract for structural maintenance of DEP maintained aboveground stormwater management facilities
- Task Order issued for monthly maintenance of publicly owned and DEP maintained ESD facilities (other than green roof and porous pavement). Based on average time to maintain one vegetated facility- three hours of labor and one hour for a crew foreman.
  - Additional services (planting, mulching, mowing) provided at additional cost per unit.
  - Developing a separate RFP for future ESD maintenance

# Underground Facility Maintenance Contract

- IFB-Routine Maintenance, Cleaning, and Repair of Underground Stormwater Management Facilities, December 2016
- Annual budget \$3 million
- Firm, fixed unit price contract.

# Green Roof Maintenance and Inspection

- Informal solicitation for fixed number of roofs.
- About \$50,000/year
- For publicly owned green roofs on County buildings, DEP maintained green roofs
- Schedule of unit prices
- Allows for restoration as well as routine maintenance
- Contractor required to ensure that 90% of the vegetated roof is covered.

#### Porous Pavement

- RFP issued
- No bidders. Required specialized equipment for deep cleaning
- Evaluating options for completing work
- Currently using regenerative vacuum sweeper until appropriate contracting method is determined.

#### Procurement Challenges for the Stormwater Facility Maintenance Program

- Capacity
  - Rapidly increasing number of facilities- averaging 1500/ year
- Changing Technology
  - Maryland SWM Act 2007 and ESD
  - New SWM products

DEP is drafting a Workforce Development Strategy for green infrastructure maintenance

- Work with businesses and local non profits to facilitate a trained and skilled green infrastructure maintenance workforce.
- Partnering with WEF and other jurisdictions to develop and sponsor the National Green Infrastructure Certification (NGIC) Program. Next trainings are in Baltimore and Washington DC Fall 2017
- Partnering with Worksource Montgomery to provide assistance to contractors interested in green infrastructure maintenance. Encourage NGIC Certification.
- Planning an ESD maintenance (vegetated practices) workshop for interested contractors in July

