



# TOWN OF NATICK MASSACHUSETTS

**TO:** Amy Mistrot, Chair Board of Selectmen  
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**DATE:** April 11, 2018

**SUBJECT: MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS PERMIT  
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

On July 1, 2018 the storm sewer system of the Town of Natick will be regulated under a new permit issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The federally administered Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Permit is mandated under the Clean Water Act through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Town's current MS4 Permit will expire on June 30, 2018 and the terms of the new permit will become effective.

The new MS4 permit includes a broadening description of municipal facilities covered under the permit. The new permit will expand to regulate all municipal properties including school buildings/parking areas, municipal building sites, parks, etc. The new permit also mandates additional compliance activities, increases drainage system maintenance frequency, and changes storm drainage outfall testing requirements.

A full copy of the regional permit covering Natick may be found at:

<https://www3.epa.gov/region1/npdes/stormwater/ma/2016fpd/final-2016-ma-sms4-gp.pdf>

To advise the Town on stormwater management and assist in compliance with the new permit we suggest the Board of Selectmen appoint a Stormwater Management Oversight Committee with the following charge and composition:

Charge is to advise the Town on stormwater management, operations, projects, funding opportunities/mechanisms, and policies. The committee shall assist in the Town's compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency administered Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) permit.

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems Permit  
Stormwater Management Oversight Committee  
April 11, 2018

The Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) voting members, including the Natick Town Administrator or designee, the Superintendent of Natick Public Schools or designee, the Director of Public Works or designee, the Director of Facilities or designee, and the Conservation Agent. The Committee will receive staff support from the Town Engineer. Appointees to this committee are proposed to be individuals with professional backgrounds relevant to stormwater/environmental management, planning, and engineering.

The Committee shall consist of seven members appointed by the Town Administrator to three years term arranged such that as nearly equal a number as possible expire every year, provided, however, that the initial terms shall be staggered for this purpose.