



# Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

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## Division of Water Pollution Control ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT

### for NPDES Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4)

*This fillable form may be completed online, a copy saved locally, printed and signed before it is submitted to the Compliance Assurance Section at the above address. Complete each section of this report.*

Report Period: From March, 2013 To March, 2014

Permit No. ILR40 400325

#### MS4 OPERATOR INFORMATION: (As it appears on the current permit)

Name: City of Des Plaines Mailing Address 1: 1420 Miner Street  
Mailing Address 2: \_\_\_\_\_ County: Cook  
City: Des Plaines State: IL Zip: 60016 Telephone: 847-391-5390  
Contact Person: Timothy P. Oakley, P.E., CFM Email Address: toakley@desplaines.org  
(Person responsible for Annual Report)

#### Name(s) of governmental entity(ies) in which MS4 is located: (As it appears on the current permit)

City of Des Plaines

#### THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MUST BE ADDRESSED.

A. Changes to best management practices (check appropriate BMP change(s) and attach information regarding change(s) to BMP and measurable goals.)

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|--|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Public Education and Outreach             | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Construction Site Runoff Control       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Public Participation/Involvement          | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Post-Construction Runoff Control       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> |

B. Attach the status of compliance with permit conditions, an assessment of the appropriateness of your identified best management practices and progress towards achieving the statutory goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP, and your identified measurable goals for each of the minimum control measures.

C. Attach results of information collected and analyzed, including monitoring data, if any during the reporting period.

D. Attach a summary of the storm water activities you plan to undertake during the next reporting cycle ( including an implementation schedule.)

E. Attach notice that you are relying on another government entity to satisfy some of your permit obligations (if applicable).

F. Attach a list of construction projects that your entity has paid for during the reporting period.

**Any person who knowingly makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent material statement, orally or in writing, to the Illinois EPA commits a Class 4 felony. A second or subsequent offense after conviction is a Class 3 felony. (415 ILCS 5/44(h))**

Owner Signature:

Timothy P. Oakley, P.E., CFM

Printed Name:

6-2-14

Date:

Dir. of Public Works and Engineering

Title:

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: [epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov](mailto:epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov)

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## 2013-2014 Annual Report (PY 6)

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**This report covers activities that occurred between the following dates:**

04/01/13 – 3/31/14

**For questions regarding this report contact:**

Timothy P. Oakley, P.E., CFM  
Director of Public Works and Engineering  
City Of Des Plaines, 1420 Miner Street  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

### Permit Information

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|---------------------------------|---|
| <b>1. Permitting Authority:</b> | Illinois Environmental Protection Agency        |
| <b>2. Permit Number:</b>        | ILR40   |
| <b>3. Permit Type:</b>          | General   |
| <b>4. Permit Name:</b>          | Des Plaines NPDES MS4 Phase II Permit (2009-14) |
| <b>5. Date Issue:</b>           | 2/20/2009                                       |
| <b>6. Date Expire:</b>          | 3/31/2014                                       |

### General Information for MS4 Operator

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>1. Operator Name:</b>         | Matthew Bogusz            |                        |
| <b>2. Operator Title:</b>        | Mayor                     |                        |
| <b>3. Represented Entity:</b>    | City of Des Plaines       |                        |
| <b>4. Mailing Address:</b>       | 1420 Miner Street         |                        |
| <b>5. Mail City, State, Zip:</b> | Des Plaines, IL 60016     |                        |
| <b>6. Phone Number:</b>          | (847) 391-5301            |                        |
| <b>7. E-Mail Address:</b>        | mbogusz@desplaines.org    |                        |
| <b>8. Co-Permitting With:</b>    | n/a                       |                        |
| <b>9. Population: 58,710</b>     | <b>Households: 22,018</b> | <b>Area (sq mi):16</b> |
| <b>10. Official Website:</b>     | www.desplaines.org        |                        |

### General Information for Primary Contact

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| <b>3. Phone Number</b>    | (847) 391-5390                           |
| <b>4. E-Mail Address:</b> | toakley@desplaines.org                   |

### General Information for Secondary Contact

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| <b>1. Name:</b>           | Tim Watkins                        |
| <b>2. Title:</b>          | Superintendent of Utility Services |
| <b>3. Phone Number</b>    | (847) 391-5468                     |
| <b>4. E-Mail Address:</b> | pw@desplaines.org                  |

**General Information for Receiving Waters**

**Receiving Water Lists:** Listed below are all the identified receiving waterbodies to which identified outfalls discharge.

**Receiving Streams**

Feehanville Ditch  
Wellers Creek  
Prairie Creek  
Farmers Creek  
Willow Creek  
Higgins Creek  
Des Plaines River

**Receiving Waterbodies**

Big Bend Lake  
Belleau Lake  
Shagbark Lake  
Lake Opeka  
Axehead Lake  
Peterson Lake

**Receiving Watersheds**

Des Plaines River Watershed



# Public Education and Outreach

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### A.1. Business Stormwater Flyer Insert

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works**

Informational stormwater flyers were sent to approximately 3,500 businesses as part of the November 2013 business license renewal mailing.

### A.1. Curbside Calendar

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Curbside calendar provides residents with waste disposal options and recycling information. The calendar also provided storm water pollution information. Calendars were sent to 15,000+ residential homes in December 2013 for the 2014 calendar year.

### A.1. Pet Waste Collection City Code

**Responsible Party: Community Development, Director of CED**

City code 6-1A-11 indicates that pet excrement shall be removed by person and deposited in appropriate receptacle. City code 6-1A-12 indicates defecation is not allowed to accumulate in residential yards and shall be cleaned on a regular basis.

Informational stormwater flyers were sent to approximately 2,750 pet owners as part of the April 2014 pet license renewal mailing. In addition, as a result of a contractor error, in April 2014 the same informational flyer was included in all of the vehicle license renewal mailings.

### A.1. Stormwater Articles in City Newsletter

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Articles ran in each publication of the quarterly Digest newsletters, delivered to all Des Plaines homes. Copies kept on file.

### A.3. Cable TV Stormwater Segment

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Public Education slides developed in 2009 were put in local Cable Channel 17's broadcast rotation annually in March. Beginning in 2013 the City implemented a new cable programming system and rather than just a single month, the stormwater slides are now put in rotation on both Cable Channel 17 and 24 for the period from March 15<sup>th</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup> with a typical exposure of 10-20 times per day between the two channels.

### A.4. Arbor Day Community Event(s)

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Arbor Day ceremony held at School District 62 North Elementary School on Friday, April 25, 2014 with elected officials. A tree was planted with participation by school staff and students.

### A.5. Children Education Program

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The City will make schools aware of the availability of the MWRD "Classroom Visitor" program, whereby the MWRD will provide a Community Education Specialist to educate classes, from kindergarten through college, about stormwater management to the schools. Notification of the program was sent to the two elementary/middle School Districts in Des Plaines as well as Maine West High School. The AP Science class at Maine West High School has in the past participated in the MWRD program.

# Public Participation/Involvement

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### B.1. & B.5. Watershed Organizations

**Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Flood Action Group, a grassroots resident group with up to 100 members, formed in the Fall of 2008 get involved with flooding and stormwater issues. The City continued communication with group into 2009, and used input from the group in capital improvement program planning. However, activity from the group has tapered off.

### B.6. PW Staffing

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Reorganization occurred in July 2009. The Engineering Department and the Public Works Department were merged. An Assistant to the Director of Public Works and Engineering position was established with responsibility for overseeing the City's efforts in environmental conservation, including waste management, recycling, and "green" initiatives. The individual in this position left the City in October of 2010 and the position has been left vacant due to budgetary constraints. The position is to be filled when budget conditions allow. In the meantime the responsibilities have been spread amongst various remaining staff within the department.

### B.7. Adopt-A-Spot

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Volunteer groups continue to work with Public Works to clean up littered areas. PW supplies these groups with gloves, bags and garbage pickers.

### B.7. IEPA Hazardous Waste Collection Program

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Residents are referred to IEPA's website, listing hazardous waste collection dates and sites. Information about the collection schedule and sites were included in two of the City's quarterly Digest newsletters, delivered to all Des Plaines homes.

### B.7. MWRD Lower Des Plaines River Watershed Planning Council

**Responsible Party: Mayor's Office**

Engineering staff continued participation on the Council.

### B.7. MWRD Technical Advisory Committee

**Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Director of Public Works and Engineering played an active role with the MWRD committee crafting the Watershed Management Ordinance for the county. The preliminary work of the committee largely wrapped up in 2009 and a draft ordinance was release for public comment. The WMO was adopted by the District on October 3, 2013 and was effective beginning May 1, 2014.

### B.7. Recycling Program

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Residential curbside recycling program maintained for over 15,000 homes. Public Works allows residents to drop off fluorescent light bulbs, batteries, and tires for recycling by a local vendor. In January of 2012 the City began offering free year-round electronics recycling at the Public Works facility in order to help keep hazardous materials such as mercury out of the waste stream. In addition, the Public Works Department hosted a free holiday light recycling event throughout January and February of 2014.

**B.7. Residential Parkway Tree Planting Program*****Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Public Works has a Forestry Division which plants and maintains parkway trees throughout the year. In 2013, the City began a full program to remove and replace Ash trees throughout the City in response to the regional Emerald Ash Borer infestation. Residents were offered subsidized replacement trees for any ash trees that were removed. The program will continue into 2015.

**B.7. Storm Drain Stenciling*****Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Program discontinued as all new frame and grate structures are ordered with the precast "No Dumping-Drains to River" notation.

**B.7. Stormwater Committee of NWMC*****Responsible Party: Mayor's Office***

The Northwest Municipal Conference Stormwater Committee no longer exists. The primary goal of the committee had been the creation of a county-wide stormwater management authority. This was achieved through State legislation empowering the MWRD with this authority. Since that time a committee was formed by the MWRD to work on creation of the Watershed Management Ordinance for the county.

**B.7. Stormwater Management Info on Website*****Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

A new NPDES MS4 home page was launched on City website in June of 2009. The page provides an introduction to the program and provides links to the IEPA and USEPA NPDES pages, the ILR40 permit, the City's annual reports and the City's Notices of Intent. A new NPDES CSO program page was launched at the same time.

# Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### C.1. Storm Sewer System Map

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

City sewer system map is updated regularly with notes from field crews and changes to sewer as part of capital improvement projects and private development projects.

In addition, Granite XP software has been incorporated into the City's sewer televising equipment. The software allows for the collection of detailed sewer information that can be incorporated directly into the City's GIS. Data is continually collected and the GIS updated as part of the routine sewer televising operations.

### C.2. Illicit Connection Ordinance

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The City was an active member of the MWRD Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which drafted a Watershed Management Ordinance (WMO) for adoption by all of the Cook County communities. The WMO is now complete and became effective on May 1, 2014.

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In 2009-10, in advance of the completion of the county-wide WMO, the City hired an engineering consultant (Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc.) to perform a review of the City's stormwater ordinances. The scope of the review was expanded to include review of the City's entire NPDES stormwater program. Several meetings involving relevant staff members from the variety of departments involved in stormwater, were conducted as part of the consultant review. Changes have been made to the City's inspection and plan review procedures throughout the course of and in response to the program review.

In the spring of 2014, the City will again be hiring a consultant to review its overall NPDES program and to more specifically work with the City on the drafting of new stormwater ordinances now that the WMO is complete.

### C.4. Hazardous Materials Response Team

**Responsible Party: Fire Department, Fire Chief**

The City of Des Plaines Fire Department is part of a Combined Communities Chemical Emergency Response Team.

The City of Des Plaines Fire Department responds to 9-1-1 calls regarding possible hazardous spills/illegal discharge activities. Determination of the release of such materials is made by the Fire Chief or his authorized representative. Appropriate personal protection equipment is used and removal is performed. The Fire Department completes forms documenting the incident, including information such as the type of hazardous material, decontamination procedures, protective clothing,

exposure log, etc.

#### **C.4. Illicit Connections Detection**

**Responsible Party: Community Development, Director of CED**

Inspections continue throughout the year.

#### **C.4. Illicit Discharge Inspection Program**

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works**

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In July of 2010 the City began annual water quality testing in the Des Plaines River upstream and downstream of the City's MS4 discharge. The water is sampled in seven locations for Ammonia, Chloride, Fluoride, Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD, 5 day), Phenolics, Total Phosphorus, Total Suspended Solids, Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen, Metals (Potassium), Temperature, pH, Conductivity, Dissolved Oxygen and Total Dissolved Solids. All test results were deemed to be normal with the exception of elevated background phosphorous levels throughout the river, low dissolved oxygen levels at the Forest Preserve sampling location and high total suspended solids at two of the sites. None of the findings suggested illicit discharges.

In November of 2013, the City performed water quality testing at the same locations as in the baseline study. The results were generally consistent with the October 2012 and with previous testing.

#### **C.4. MWRD Inspection/Tracing Program**

**Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The City of Des Plaines continued to participate with the MWRD in the joint inspections of new sewer connections to ensure no illicit connections.

#### **C.4. Training and Education of PW Employees**

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Public Works continues to send its staff to various NPDES workshops as well as seminars hosted by IAFSM and APWA that address illicit discharge best management practices for detection and elimination. In addition, Public Works purchased a stormwater management training DVD to for the in-house training.

In June of 2013, the City's two engineering inspectors attended a day-long "Designated Erosion Control Inspector Workshop" sponsored by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission. In addition, the City's primary plan review engineer attended an early training in April on the MWRD Watershed Management Ordinance.

#### **C.5. Hazardous Materials Clean-Up Program**

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**C.5. Illicit Source Removal Program**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Continuation of Public Works identifying problem and notifying the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. Local procedures are to be reviewed as part of the upcoming 2014 consultant review of the Des Plaines stormwater program.

**C.5. MWRD Illicit Connection Removal Enforcement Program**

***Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

The MWRD is currently monitoring 9 "Significant Industrial Users" in Des Plaines. ([www.mwrdd.org](http://www.mwrdd.org))

**C.9. Illegal Dumping & Illicit Discharge Line (9-1-1)**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Slides were created in August of 2010 to educate the public about the issues of illegal dumping and illicit discharge. The slides direct citizens to call 9-1-1 if either are observed. The slides have been in regular rotation on the local Cable Channel #17 since they were created and were also added to Channel #24 beginning in 2013.

# Construction Site Runoff Control

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### D.1. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control Ordinance

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### D.1. Educate Developers and Contractors

**Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Engineering Department has continued to use the erosion control detail sheet and specifications for all City projects. Stormwater management is included on the agenda at all pre-bid and pre-construction meetings to ensure that contractors are aware of the requirements.

City staff have also continued to refine the existing City development manual to make it easier to understand and to accommodate additional information about stormwater management. All materials are available through the Engineering page of the City's website.

The City's materials will be independently reviewed by an engineering consultant in 2014.

### D.4. Stormwater Runoff Site Plan Review

**Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The City's continues to use a checklist, which includes the NPDES MS4 stormwater management items, in all of its plan reviews. This checklist will be modified as needed upon completion of the 2014 consultant review of the City's program.

As part of the current plan review and permitting, all private development contractors are required to complete the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan forms, which include the ILR10 and ILR40 requirements, and to indicate their understanding of such.

**D.6. City Staff Inspection Training*****Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Due to layoffs of Engineering personnel, in spring of 2009, inspection responsibilities were reassigned and internal training was conducted with the Department resident engineers and engineering inspectors based upon the previous sediment and erosion control course materials and the NPDES MS4 guidance materials. In addition, City staff conducted a half-day meeting with the consultant Gewalt-Hamilton to review the City's existing practices for potential improvements.

In June of 2013, the City's two engineering inspectors attended a day-long "Designated Erosion Control Inspector Workshop" sponsored by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission. In addition, the City's primary plan review engineer attended an early training in April on the MWRD Watershed Management Ordinance.

**D.6. City Staff Site Inspection and Enforcement*****Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

The Engineering Department has continued reviewing sites for sediment and erosion control as part of its normal construction site inspections and in accordance with NPDES ILR40 permit guidelines. The inspectors continue to use the "Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Erosion Control Inspection Report" forms to document inspections.

The Community Development building inspectors have also been involved in the process on a day-to-day basis and as part of monthly Public Works-Engineering-Community Development Coordination Meetings. The Community Development building inspectors serve as an extra set of eyes, and contact the Engineering Department if they notice any stormwater issues or violations as part of their general inspections.

**D.7. Public Reporting*****Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Residents are and will be encouraged to report unlawful activities to the City. As discussed in previous section, slides were created for the Local Cable Channel 17 to educate the public to call 9-1-1 if they witness illegal dumping and/or illicit discharges.

# Post-Construction Runoff Control

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### E.2. & E.3. Post Construction Runoff Control Ordinance

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### E.4. Review of Construction Plans and Designs

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#### **E.5. Site Inspections**

***Responsible Party: Engineering/Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

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In addition, as a result of the engineering consultant review of the City stormwater program, the City completed the creation of a full city-wide inventory of retention and detention basins (private basins included). Baseline reports with photos, structure inventories, owner information, etc. were created along with a GIS layer. Letters are to be sent to each basin owner with basic maintenance information and an inspection program is being created for the City to inspect all basins on a 5-year schedule.

#### **E.7. Public Education for Contractors and Developers**

***Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

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# Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

## BMPs and Work Performed for Them

### F.1. City Employee Training

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

New employees receive on the job training and safety in their department specific to their job. Trainings in the reporting year included: mosquito larvacide permitting, collection systems operator licensing, applicator spray license, CMOM, confined spaces, snow/ice control, right to know act, and customer service. Supervisory staff regularly attends IEPA, APWA, AWWA, and other workshops and then relays the information gathered at such to the operational staff.

### F.1. Good Housekeeping as part of Personnel Policy Manual

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Gewalt Hamilton (consultant) hired and has begun development of Housekeeping Procedures to then be incorporated into Public Works Department's personnel manual. The manual is complete and monthly SWPPP inspections are conducted.

### F.2. ASIST Reporting/Tracking Computer Program

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Public Works and Engineering Department discontinued support of ASIST software for program tracking. Now that the City is more familiar with the NPDES MS4 program and through the course of the consultant review, it was determined that value added from the software was limited and that the program tracking could more flexibly be handled through conventional MS Office software packages.

### F.2. Catch Basin/ Inlet Cleaning

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The Sewer Division performed 340 sewer inspections and cleaned 513 catch basins during the period from June 2013 – May 2014.

### F.2. Creek Outfall Structure Inspection & Repair

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

96 man-hours were spent inspecting creek outfalls during the permit year. Any repairs necessary were made during the time as well.

### F.2. Detention Pond Inspection & Cleaning

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

Current maintenance on City-owned basins was continued. Employees cut grass and brush at detention pond locations. Erosion control is completed through installation of rip-rap and replanting of vegetation.

In addition, as a result of the engineering consultant review of the City stormwater program, the City completed the creation of a full city-wide inventory of retention and detention basins (private basins included). Baseline reports with photos, structure inventories, owner information, etc. were created along with a GIS layer. Letters are to be sent to each basin owner with basic maintenance information and an inspection program is being created for the City to inspect all basins on a 5-year schedule.

### F.3. Leaf Collection Program

**Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering**

The City's leaf program runs October through early December. With the leaf program, residents'

leaves are collected by zone. Each of the five zones is collected five times throughout the fall. Residents also have the option to bag leaves for yard waste program from April 1 through early December. They may also deposit their yard waste free of charge during leaf collection season at the Public Works facility.

#### **F.3. New Inlet Grate Placement Specifications**

***Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Approximately 266 inlet grates and catch basin lids were replaced as part of the City's 2013 roadway projects. All new grates and lids include casting to indicate "Do Not Dump, Drains to River."

#### **F.3. Street Sweeping**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

The City's program sweeps 247 residential lane miles 2x/month. Business District is swept 3x/week. Street sweeping occurs during spring, summer and fall. Winter sweeping may occur depending on weather conditions.

#### **F.4. IEPA Transfer Station Permit for PW Facility**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Transfer Station Permit still in place throughout the year.

#### **F.4. Public Works Facility Washing Station**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Facility continues with its existing program. The facility has a concrete floor with drains to the sanitary sewers. Triple basins are also part of the garage system. Surrounding property drains also lead to the sanitary sewers.

#### **F.6. Controlled Application of Pesticides & Herbicides**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Continuing program. Applications of herbicides are only done in spring and summer months. One individual from the Public Works and Engineering Department is certified to apply herbicides.

#### **F.6. Covered Salt Storage**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

The City stores salt in a covered salt dome. The dome is constructed of concrete and wood and has improved ventilation, lighting, and a new sodium chloride & brine dispensing system. The dome has a capacity of 4500 tons of salt. There are no drains because the salt is situated on an asphalt pitch.

#### **F.6. Hazardous Material Storage**

***Responsible Party: Public Works, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

Hazardous materials storage consists of a caged area that is below a fume hood and sprinkler system. There are no drains if a possible leak would occur. The small amount of herbicides that are stored/contained in the caged area (only accessed by 1 person with a key) are placed on skids.

#### **F.6. Sodding Requirement**

***Responsible Party: Engineering, Director of Public Works and Engineering***

The Public Works Department uses sod and hydroseed when performing parkway repairs.

The Engineering Department specifies sod on all construction projects. However based upon past experience with sod, special shade tolerant hydroseed is now used in areas that do not have adequate sun.

**City of Des Plaines - 2013 Capital Improvement Projects**

Project Name	CONTRACT NO.	NOI on file	SWPPP on file	Comments
2013 CONTRACT A – Street & Utility Improvements	-	Yes	Yes	----
2013 CONTRACT B – Storm Sewer Improvements	-	No	No	Limited excavation included in project.
2013 CONTRACT C – Street and Utility Improvements	-	No	Yes	Limited excavation included in project.
2013 CONTRACT D – Rear Yard Drainage Projects	-	No	Yes	Small, isolated projects at individual homes with limited disturbance.
2013 CONTRACT E – Sewer Lining and Televising	-	No	No	No significant excavation or stormwater impacting activities included in project.
2013 Concrete Improvements	13-00000-01-GM	No	No	Small, isolated projects at individual homes with limited disturbance.
2013 Downtown Miner St Streetscape Improvements	-	No	Yes	Limited excavation included in project.