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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, 2024 To March, 2025

Permit No. ILR40 0268

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

Name: Rock Island County, Unincorporated Mailing Address 1: 1504 3rd Ave, Room 305
Mailing Address 2: County: Rock Island
City: Rock Island State: IL Zip: 61201 Telephone: 309-558-3771
Contact Person: Greg Thorpe Email Address: gthorpe@rockislandcountyil.gov
(Person responsible for Annual Report)

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

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:

Greg Thorpe

Printed Name:

March 1, 2025

Date:

Director of Zoning & Building Safety

Title:

EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: epa.ms4annualinsp@illinois.gov

or Mail to: ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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ANNUAL FACILITY INSPECTION REPORT
NPDES PERMIT FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES
FROM MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4)

ATTACHMENT ITEMS A, B, C, D, E, AND F

ITEM A. No changes to best management practices.

ITEM B. Rock Island County is predominately in compliance with the General NPDES Permit No. ILR400268 permit conditions. The county has implemented a Storm Water Management Program, which is enforced as described below. The program has six minimum control measures and appropriate best management practices with measurable goals. Listed below are the goals that Rock Island County reached or is working toward along with the policies that will continue to be enforced.

A. Public Education and Outreach

- Rock Island County distributed storm water pollution prevention information with 478 building permit applications and continues to make the information available to the public at the County offices and on our website.
- Rock Island County continues to support the Annual Quad Cities Stormwater Conference. This year's event was held in Rock Island on Thursday, February 20, 2025.

B. Public Participation and Involvement

- Rock Island County participated in monthly stakeholder meetings with Soil & Water Conservation and various municipalities within Rock Island & Scott County. The monthly meeting topics range from land use to water quality and focus on the preservation of the County's natural habitat and resources. The meetings allow collaboration and networking on stormwater related topics that affect our broader community. In addition, the stakeholder's utilize the monthly meetings to also plan for the Quad Cities Stormwater Conference held annually in February. Rock Island

C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

- Rock Island County is utilizing our county GIS program to locate all county maintained across road culverts, bridges, enclosed storm sewer and outfalls. These locations will continue to be recorded and maintained electronically using GPS and the GIS program and will aid the County in the detection and elimination of illicit discharges.
- Rock Island County continued to enforce the Illicit Discharge section of the Stormwater Ordinance. 0 instances were investigated and resolved.

C. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (continued)

- Rock Island County continued to educate members of the residential, commercial and industrial sectors on illicit discharges through the Stormwater Management information provided on the County website, handout and at our annual training conference. The website continues to be updated as necessary.
- Rock Island County is forming a training program to educate employees on the detection and reporting of illicit discharges. Once in place, the county will continue to train employees on a yearly basis.

D. Construction Site Runoff Control

- Rock Island County Zoning Department reviewed plans and issued 50 permits for projects meeting permit requirements. Plans are reviewed to account for appropriate project BMP's and their maintenance.
- The County continued to enforce the Stormwater Ordinance and document violations, court appearances and fines related to erosion and sediment violations. For this period 0 violations resulted in \$ 0.00 in penalties in an effort to abate site runoff.
- Rock Island County did not complete any in-house construction that disturbed more than 1 acre of land surface.
- Rock Island County staff received training on the proper installation of erosion and sediment controls to enhance inspection of permitted sites for compliance to the Stormwater Ordinance.

E. Post-Construction Site Runoff Control

- Post construction runoff controls were inspected and documented in the same manner as the construction runoff controls. Suggestions were offered to sites with deficiencies and follow-up visits were performed to ensure compliance.

F. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping

- Rock Island County is working on implementing a program to train appropriate employees on pollution prevention and good housekeeping practices. Once in place, employees will be trained on a yearly basis and training will be recorded in corresponding employee files.
- The county continues to follow the State Model Floodplain Ordinance and issue floodplain development permits. 55 permits were issued and monitored in the period of March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2025.

ITEM D. The following is a summary of the storm water activities Rock Island County will undertake during the reporting period from March 2024 – March 2025:

- Continue updating outfall maps
- Continue identifying monitoring locations and establishing a process
- Continue educating the public

ITEM F. Construction projects in the Rock Island County MS4 Area that were paid in part by Rock Island County:

- Routine maintenance of County maintained roadway and right-of-way.
- Sec. 22-00387-00-RS – C.H. 62

Greg Thorpe

From: Rock Island County Soil and Water Conservation District
<dgillespie@rockislandswcd.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2025 9:38 AM
To: Greg Thorpe
Subject: The 11th Annual QC Stormwater Conference is Almost Here!



**There is Still Time to
Register for the 11th
Annual QC Stormwater
Conference!**

February 20th, 2025

"Flowing Forward"

TO REGISTER:

<https://2025qcstormwaterconference.eventbrite.com>

Cost: \$45

Lunch included

QC Stormwater Conference Schedule	
7:00 - 8:00	Registration & Exhibitors
8:00 - 8:20	Welcome and Housekeeping - Dylan Parker, Rock Island Alderman
8:20 - 9:00	Stormwater Management in a Changing and More Variable Climate - Trent Ford, Illinois State Climatologist, Prairie Research Institute, University of Illinois
9:00 - 9:45	Impacts of Pollution on Drinking Water - Tony Loete, CIP Manager, Iowa American Water
9:45 - 10:00	Break & Exhibitors
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12:35 - 1:35	Panel Discussion - Construction Challenges & Learning Session
1:35 - 2:05	Leveraging Drones Along with Other Reality Capture Tools to Aid in Inspection, Increase Visualization & Promote Safety - Eric Vallejo, Director of Reality Capture & Geospatial Solutions, IMEG
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2:20 - 3:00	Multi-Use Ravines - Rob Liva, Owner/Principal Ecologist, Hibiscus Ecological Services
3:00 - 4:00	Ducks Unlimited - Projects with the Mississippi Rivers Cities & Towns Initiative (MRCTI) Natural Infrastructure & Wetlands Work on the Mississippi River - Sara Burns, Water Program Specialist, Ducks Unlimited
4:00 - 5:00	Reception - Prize Drawing, beer-tasting, and live music

Our story

2025 marks the 11th year of existence for the conference. Many speakers and exhibitors from the Quad Cities and surrounding areas have shared their knowledge of stormwater BMPs from all areas of expertise.

The QC Stormwater Committee is dedicated to giving an up front and personal look at what is important to you regarding local stormwater issues and continuing to provide educational programs to satisfy continuing education needs.



Permitting Updates Provided

It takes all of us to ensure the projects and BMPs are constructed, implemented and maintained to prevent illicit discharge from entering our waters and to keep our neighborhoods and businesses safe from flooding.

Construction Challenges Panel Discussion

From engineers, developers, contractors, municipalities, non-profit and government agencies, and erosion and sediment control



professionals, we thank you for your efforts and continued support!



Environmental Impacts on Stormwater Management

A big thanks goes to the many Quad Citians who volunteer their time and resources to help support keeping our waters healthier for the future!



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11th Annual

QUAD CITIES STORMWATER CONFERENCE

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by:

Thursday, February 20th, 2025
Bally's Quad Cities - Rock Island, IL
"Flowing Forward"

This conference is geared towards contractors and municipal employees dealing with stormwater and erosion control, engineering firms, floodplain managers, and MS4 managers working through the region. Stay for the social, win prizes, listen to live music, and sample local brews from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM.



Gift Cards

QC Storm
Tickets

Golf Rounds

Pool Passes

Monster Jam
Tickets

and so much
more!

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