

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to promote environmentally responsible best practices for storm water runoff at County facilities, protecting surrounding watersheds and groundwater in compliance with federal, state, and local requirements.

II. CROSS REFERENCE

- FPM-ENV2- Drinking Water Quality Tests

Other Regulatory Agency Requirements

- Federal Safe Drinking Water Act
- EPA Clean Water Act
- Endangered Species Act

III. POLICY

Multnomah County Facilities and Property Management (FPM) is committed to maintaining high standards of best practices for storm water runoff. Beginning in 2002 FPM has designated specific funding for upgrades to facilities storm water systems resulting from recent DEQ requirements.

IV. RATIONALE

The purpose of the program is to protect groundwater and waterways from contamination from storm water runoff. With the increase of impervious surfaces, pollutants are making their way to drinking water by way of storm water runoff to streams, rivers, and groundwater having far-reaching ramifications.

V. DEFINITIONS

BMP – *Best Management Practices*
DEQ – *Department of Environmental Quality*
EPA – *Environmental Protection Agency*
FPM – *Facilities and Property Management*
UIC – *Underground Injection Control*

VI. PROCEDURE

FPM is designated to oversee Storm Water Management projects, routine maintenance activities, and provide required reporting for County owned facilities. Manhole covers are being/have been installed as needed on

drywells to provide maintenance access and satisfy recent DEQ regulations. Annual cleaning of catch basins, oil/water separators, and vortex type containment devices is scheduled and performed to ensure functionality. Proper disposal of solid waste that accumulates from maintenance activities also takes place. Biennial maintenance of oil/water separators is also a scheduled routine maintenance activity.

Every storm water maintenance activity performed under this policy follows industry standard Best Management Practices (BMP). These activities are documented and reported to comply with DEQ and Local jurisdiction requirements.

- VII. EXHIBITS**
DEQ Specific Code Title & Requirement
DEQ Class V Stormwater Injection
City Of Portland Stormwater Management Manual

Policy Approval

Approved: _____ Date: _____