

Northeast Regional Office CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

Application Type Renewal
Facility Type MS4
Permit Type Individual

NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET MS4s

 Application No.
 PAI132248

 APS ID
 481758

 Authorization ID
 1223625

Applicant and Facility Information						
Applicant Name	Catasauqua Borough	Facility Name	Catasauqua Borough MS4			
Applicant Address	90 Bridge Street	Facility Address	Urbanized Area			
	Catasauqua, PA 18032		Catasauqua Borough, PA			
Applicant Contact	Steve Travers	Facility Contact	Steve Travers			
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Client ID	67413	Site ID	613570			
SIC Code	9199	Municipality	Catasauqua Borough			
SIC Description	Public Admin General Governmen	nt, Nec County	Lehigh			
Date Application Reco	eived April 3, 2018					
Date Application Acce	epted January 6, 2022					
Purpose of Applicatio	nRenewal of NPDES MS4 p	ermit.				

Internal Review and Recommendations

The applicant is requesting renewal of an individual NPDES MS4 permit to discharge stormwater to the Lehigh River (TSF/MF), Catasauqua Creek (CWF/MF), and Tributary 3633 to Catasauqua Creek (CWF/MF). The entire municipality is located within state water plan basin 02-C (Lower Lehigh River). As per the Department's current existing use list, the receiving streams do not have existing use classifications that are more protective than their designated uses.

The permittee was required to develop and submit a Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP) with the permit application describing how 10% of their existing sediment loading to the impaired receiving streams will be removed within five years of the permit effective date (see Appendix E of the permit).

DEP's MS4 Requirements Table lists the following impairments for surface waters in the borough or within a 5-mile buffer of the urbanized area in the borough:

Lehigh River	Appendix E-Organic Enrichment/Low D.O., Siltation, Suspended Solids (5)	
Catasauqua Creek	Appendix E-Siltation (5)	

The renewal had been on hold for PRP revisions. The revised PRP only includes the solids removal BMP for the Lehigh River direct discharge sewersheds. Only 50% of the total required reduction can be achieved with the solids removal BMP for each specific watershed. Since there are only solids removal BMPs proposed outside of the Catasauqua Creek watershed, the reduction achieved by non-solids removal BMPs (stream restoration, pervious pavement, buffer, etc.) in the Catasauqua Creek watershed must be at least 50% of the total required reduction since the Catasauqua Creek watershed is within the Lehigh River watershed.

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
		Brian Burden	
		Brian Burden, E.I.T. / Project Manager	January 18, 2022
		Amy M. Bellanca (signed) Amy M. Bellanca, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	1-19-22

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Public Participation

DEP will publish notice of the receipt of the NPDES permit application and a tentative decision to issue the individual NPDES permit in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* in accordance with 25 Pa. Code § 92a.82. Upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, DEP will accept written comments from interested persons for a 30-day period (which may be extended for one additional 15-day period at DEP's discretion), which will be considered in making a final decision on the application. Any person may request or petition for a public hearing with respect to the application. A public hearing may be held if DEP determines that there is significant public interest in holding a hearing. If a hearing is held, notice of the hearing will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* at least 30 days prior to the hearing and in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the geographical area of the discharge.