

Application Type Renewal
Facility Type MS4
Permit Type Individual

NPDES PERMIT FACT SHEET
MS4s

Application No. PAI136146
APS ID 1090101
Authorization ID 1442690

Applicant and Facility Information

Applicant Name	<u>Whitehall Borough Allegheny County</u>	Facility Name	<u>Whitehall Borough MS4</u>
Applicant Address	<u>100 Borough Park Drive</u> <u>Pittsburgh, PA 15236-2042</u>	Facility Address	<u>100 Borough Park Drive</u> <u>Pittsburgh, PA 15236-2013</u>
Applicant Contact	<u>Courtney Wertz</u>	Facility Contact	<u>Same as applicant</u>
Applicant Phone	<u>(412) 884-0505</u>	Facility Phone	<u>Same as applicant</u>
Client ID	<u>40919</u>	Site ID	<u>250242</u>
SIC Code	<u>9900</u>	Municipality	<u>Whitehall Borough</u>
SIC Description	<u>Non-classifiable Establishments</u>	County	<u>Allegheny</u>
Date Application Received	<u>May 31, 2023</u>		
Date Application Accepted	<u>June 6, 2023</u>		
Purpose of Application	<u>Application for renewal of a MS4 NPDES permit</u>		

Internal Review and Recommendations



The Department received an Individual MS4 NPDES Permit renewal application from Whitehall Borough for coverage of its MS4 on May 31, 2023.

The township has outfalls that discharge to unnamed tributaries to Sawmill Run, Streets Run, and an unnamed tributary of Streets Run. These receiving streams are designated in 25 PA Code Chapter 93 as Warm Water Fisheries (WWF). The borough is subject to an individual MS4 permit because of its requirement to submit a TMDL Plan for its discharge to Sawmill Run Watershed.

During the last permit cycle Whitehall Borough was subject to Appendices A, B, C, and E of the MS4 permit due to discharges to impaired waters for abandoned mine drainage, pathogens, organic compounds, and nutrients and sediment. Whitehall Borough completed all pollutant control measures (PCMs) required by Appendices A, B, and C.

Being subject to Appendix E required the municipality to submit a Pollution Reduction Plan (PRP) to address the impairments and reduce the municipality's contribution and load to the impaired streams within the Streets Run-Monongahela River Watershed. The PRP was approved by the Department during the last permit cycle. There are no new requirements for permittees with previously approved PRPs. The borough submitted a Final PRP Report for Streets Run – Monongahela River HUC-12 Watershed on September 27, 2023. The report states that the borough has not met the pollutant load reduction requirements of the last permit cycle.

In addition, during the last permit cycle Whitehall Borough was subject to Appendix F of the MS4 permit and was required to develop a TMDL plan due to discharges to Sawmill Run Watershed, for which wasteload allocations (WLAs) for Nutrients

Approve	Deny	Signatures	Date
X		 Jamie Ley / Environmental Engineering Specialist	May 6, 2024
X		 Michael E. Fifth, P.E. / Environmental Engineer Manager	May 10, 2024

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and Sediments have been allocated to Whitehall Borough in the Sawmill Run TMDLs. The TMDL plan was approved by the Department during the last permit cycle. There are no new requirements for permittees with previously approved TMDL plans. The borough submitted a Final PRP Report for Sawmill Run HUC-12 Watershed on September 27, 2023. The borough took the presumptive approach that a 10% reduction of sediment will also accomplish a 5% phosphorus reduction. As stated in the Final PRP Report for Sawmill Run HUC-12 Watershed, the township has not met the pollutant load reduction requirements of the last permit cycle.

The borough signed an MOU with ACCD on August 17, 2016 for cooperation and a mutually beneficial working relationship between the ACCD and the borough. They cooperate on the following components:

- Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control/NPDES for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activities – Chapter 102
- Water Obstruction and Encroachments – Chapter 105
- NPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems – MS4
- Agricultural Related Activities
- Watershed Program
- Dirt and Gravel/Low Volume Roads Program
- Data Collection and Information Systems
- Execution

The township has a Stormwater Management Ordinance enacted on December 5, 2018, consistent with the 2013/2022 DEP Model Ordinances and Allegheny County's Act 167 Plan.

The MS4 was inspected one (1) time during the last permit cycle. The inspection was a Compliance Evaluation which occurred May 16, 2023 and noted no violations.

Draft Permit issuance is recommended.

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.