

**RATES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM OF THE BATH BOROUGH
STORMWATER AUTHORITY**

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ARTICLE I - "DEFINITIONS"

Terms and phrases used and not specifically defined herein shall be defined as set forth in the applicable statutes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, resolutions of the Bath Borough Stormwater Authority (the "Authority"), if any, or shall otherwise be given their ordinary and common meanings. Unless the context specifically and clearly indicates otherwise, the meaning of terms and phrases used in this Resolution containing the Rates, Rules, and Regulations for the Authority relating to stormwater management shall be as follows:

- A. Agricultural Credit. The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix "C."
- B. Appeal – A request for reconsideration made pursuant to the procedures set forth in Article IX of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations by a customer who believes the provisions of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations have been applied in error.
- C. Authority / BBSA – The Bath Borough Stormwater Authority.
- D. Best Management Practices ("BMPs") – The methods, procedures, and analyses specified in the Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual to reduce flooding potential and control the volume, flow rate, and water quality of stormwater.
- E. Credit - A Stormwater Management Program Fee reduction that a Property Owner receives for implementing and complying with the practices and policies contained in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations, and any related Credit policy. Available Credits are detailed in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix "C."
- F. Credit Application – The BBSA Stormwater Management Program Fee Credit Application that must be used to obtain the Credit(s) described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix "C."
- G. Detention Facility – A stormwater structure, by means of a single control point, which provides temporary storage of stormwater runoff in ponds, parking lots, depressed areas, rooftops, buried underground vaults or tanks, etc., for future release, and is used to delay and attenuate peak flow and/or reduce discharge of pollutants from land.
- H. Developed Parcel – A parcel altered from a natural state that contains Impervious Surface equal to or greater than 300 square feet. Excludes public roads, and land under initial development prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy; however, a parcel undergoing initial development that does not receive a certificate of occupancy within three years from start of construction will be considered a Developed Parcel.
- I. Education Credit – The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix "C."

- J. Impervious Surface/Impervious Area – A surface that prevents the infiltration of water into the ground. Impervious surfaces (or areas) shall include, but are not limited to, roofs, additional indoor living spaces, patios, garages, storage sheds and similar structures, streets sidewalks and vehicle and pedestrian areas that are gravel and crushed stone. Any surface area proposed to initially be gravel, crushed stone or paving shall be assumed to be impervious, unless designed as an infiltration BMP.
- K. Low Impact Parcel Credit - The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix “C.”
- L. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (“NPDES”) – The federal government’s and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania’s system for issuance of discharge permits under the federal Clean Water Act (“CWA”), the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law and Storm Water Management Act. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (“PADEP”) has been delegated the responsibility to implement the federal CWA NPDES program in Pennsylvania.
- M. Operation and Maintenance – The associated costs of equipment and facilities, energy, manpower, materials, transportation, and services required to collect, convey, detain, pump and transport stormwater, keep equipment, infrastructure, and facilities functioning satisfactorily and economically, administer the Stormwater Management Program and shall include sums paid to defray costs of the Authority’s improvements and replacement to the Stormwater Management System.
- N. Operation and Maintenance Agreement – An agreement pertaining to the Operation and Maintenance of stormwater management BMPs as approved by the Authority or the Borough.
- O. Owner – Any person, firm, corporation, individual, partnership, trust, company, association, government agency, society or group owning real property in Bath Borough.
- P. Parcel Identification Number (“Parcel ID”) – A discrete identification number for each lot, parcel, building or other structure within Bath Borough.
- Q. Peak Rate/Volume Control Credit – The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix “C.”
- R. Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual – The most recent version of the Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual.
- S. Property – Each lot, parcel, building or portion thereof, separately established by folio number on the tax rolls of Bath Borough or Northampton County.
- T. Rain Barrel Rebate – The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix “C.”

- U. Replacement – The associated costs of obtaining and installing equipment, infrastructure, accessories, or appurtenances which are necessary during the service life of the Stormwater Management System so as to maintain the capacity and performance for which said system was designed and constructed; shall include costs associated with improvements to the Stormwater Management System.
- V. Retention Facility – A stormwater facility that provides storage of stormwater runoff and is designed to eliminate subsequent surface discharges.
- W. NPDES Credit – The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix “C.”
- X. Stormwater – Stormwater means runoff water from precipitation, snow melt runoff and surface runoff and drainage.
- Y. Stormwater Adjustment Appeal Form – The Stormwater Adjustment Appeal Form that Property Owners must file if they believe that the User Fee for their Property has been calculated incorrectly.
- Z. Stormwater Management Costs – The associated public costs of equipment and facilities, energy, manpower, materials, property acquisition, transportation and services required to:
 1. Avoid, reduce, manage, treat, collect, convey, detain, infiltrate, pump, and transport stormwater;
 2. Provide flood protection;
 3. Keep equipment and facilities, including best management practices, functioning satisfactorily and economically;
 4. Administer the stormwater management program, including regulatory compliance; and
 5. Improve the Stormwater Management System.
- AA. Stormwater Management Ordinance – The Borough’s Stormwater Management Ordinance, set forth in Chapter 560 of the Borough’s Code of Ordinances, as may be amended.
- BB. Stormwater Fee Credit and Adjustment Policy (“SFCAP”) - The comprehensive program developed and implemented by the Authority to address stormwater issues, including, but not limited to, reductions in storm runoff rate and volume, improvements to water quality, compliance with state/federal regulatory permit (e.g., MS4 Permit) requirements, to provide detailed guidance and procedures to incentivize Borough residents and businesses to reduce their User Fee by undertaking and implementing approved activities that will reduce the rate and/or volume of stormwater runoff and/or reduce the pollutants in that

runoff, and to provide for the satisfactory management of the Stormwater Management System assets.

- CC. Stormwater Management System – The public system of collection and conveyance, including underground pipes, conduits, mains, inlets, culverts, catch basins, gutters, ditches, manholes, outfalls, dams, flood control structures, stormwater best management practices, channels, detention ponds, public streets, curbs, drains and all devices, appliances, appurtenances and facilities appurtenant thereto used for collecting, conducting, pumping, conveying, detaining, discharging and/or treating stormwater.
- DD. Stormwater Partnership Credit - The Credit described in the Stormwater Management Credit and Appeals Manual attached as Appendix “C”.
- EE. Structural BMPs – Structural BMPs include, but are not limited to, a wide variety of practices and devices, from large-scale retention ponds and constructed wetlands to small-scale underground treatment systems, infiltration facilities, filter strips, low impact design, bioretention, wet ponds, permeable paving, grassed swales, riparian or forested buffers, sand filters, detention basins, and manufactured devices. Structural Stormwater BMPs are permanent appurtenances.
- FF. Borough – The Borough of Bath, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, a municipal subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- GG. Undeveloped Parcel – A parcel that does not meet the definition of “Developed Parcel.”
- HH. User – Any person, firm, corporation, individual, partnership, company, association, government agency, society or group using, benefiting from, or being served by, the Stormwater Management System.
- II. User Fee – Funds assessed, imposed and to be collected from each Developed Parcel which uses, benefits from, or is serviced by the Stormwater Management System, or discharges Stormwater, directly or indirectly, into the Stormwater Management System for the use of such system and the service rendered by, and improvement of, such system.

ARTICLE II - “CONNECTIONS TO THE SYSTEM”

- 2.1. It shall be unlawful for any Owner of Property within the Borough to establish a connection to the Stormwater Management System, except as provided for in the Borough’s Stormwater Management Ordinance.

ARTICLE III - “FEES”

- 3.1. User Fees are imposed upon each and every Developed Parcel, building or portion thereof that is connected with, uses, is serviced by or is benefited by the Stormwater Management System, either directly or indirectly, and upon the Owner(s) of such developed lots, parcels of land or buildings. User Fees are for the use of, benefit by, and the services rendered by

the Stormwater Management System, including its Operation and Maintenance, repair, Replacement, and improvement of said system and all other expenses. Such User Fees shall be payable by and collected from the Owners of such developed lots, parcels of land or buildings as hereinafter provided, and shall be determined as set forth below.

- 3.2. User Fees shall be assessed, liened, and collected by Parcel ID as to all Property, Owners, lots, Developed Parcels, building units and Users.
- 3.3. The User Fee has been established by a duly adopted resolution of BBSA. A Rate Schedule containing the currently applicable User Fee and any other charges is attached hereto as Appendix "A." Please note that the User Fee may, at the discretion of BBSA, be amended from time-to-time by appropriate resolution of BBSA and, to the extent practicable, Appendix "A" hereto will be updated to reflect any such revisions.

ARTICLE IV - "BILLING AND COLLECTION"

- 4.1. Unless expressly excepted, the User Fees fixed and established by these Rates, Rules, and Regulations shall be effective as to all Developed Parcels that use, are served, or are benefited by the Stormwater Management System, either directly or indirectly.
- 4.2. User Fees imposed by this Resolution shall be assessed annually and billed by the Borough or its authorized agent on a yearly basis, unless otherwise noted. Such face amount User Fees shall be due and payable on or before May 31st of each year from the first day of the billing period for which the bill is rendered. The User Fees assessed and collected will not be subject to the proration or refund in the event a Property is sold; provided, however that this sentence shall not bind a buyer and seller from making their own proration of any User Fees assessed hereunder. For those desiring to pay the User Fees in installments throughout the year, this option is only available through the Authority's online payment system.
- 4.3. The Board of the Authority may review and update the User Fees fixed and established by these Rates, Rules, and Regulations as deemed necessary.
- 4.4. All User Fees are due and payable upon presentation. User Fees not paid by or before May 31st of each year from the date of billing within thirty (30) days from the date of billing shall be subject to a ten percent (10%) penalty through December 31st of each year.
- 4.5. In accordance with the Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Act, 53 P.S. § 7101, *et seq.* (as amended), all rates, and charges, penalties, interest, collection fees, lien filing and satisfaction fees, and other charges imposed for failure to pay promptly shall constitute a lien upon and against the subject Property and its Owner from the date of their imposition and assessment.

ARTICLE V - "RIGHT OF INSPECTION"

- 5.1. When applying for a Credit, the Owner agrees that properly identified BBSA or Borough representatives may at reasonable times enter any Property unannounced to inspect the Property or condition or operation of BMPs. If, after its review or inspection, BBSA or Borough staff finds the BMPs, or any other Operations and Maintenance Agreement provision, out of compliance with either the Credit Application or general operational requirements, the Owner will be notified in writing and given sixty (60) days to correct the inaccuracy or non-compliance ("Notice of Non-Compliance").
- 5.2. The Owner will have sixty (60) days following the receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliance to provide written documentation and evidence satisfactory to BBSA and/or Borough staff that the issues described in the Notice of Non-Compliance have been corrected. If the Owner fails to provide a written response within the designated time frame or if the issues described in the Notice of Non-Compliance have not been corrected, the Credit will be terminated in the following billing cycle. The Owner may reapply for the Credit once it has documentation, satisfactory to BBSA and Borough staff, that the issues described in the Notice of Non-Compliance have been corrected and that the BMP has been functioning in compliance with the requirements for a minimum of three (3) months.
- 5.3. BBSA and the Borough may, but are not required to, enter onto any Property to do all acts and things necessary or convenient for the promotion of its business and the general welfare of the Stormwater Management System. Such acts may include repair and Replacement to components of the Stormwater Management System located on private property when deemed necessary to protect the health, safety, and public welfare. Neither BBSA nor the Borough assumes any liability for undertaking repairs pursuant to this Article.

ARTICLE VI - "UNLAWFUL USE OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM"

- 6.1. No User of the Stormwater Management System shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the Stormwater Management System any element or property of sewage, agricultural, industrial, or commercial waste, leachate, heated effluent, or any other matter that is not stormwater, whether originating at a point or nonpoint source.
- 6.2. No person shall connect, cause to be connected, or allow any other person to connect any building and/or Property or other source of water to the Stormwater Management System in any manner other than as provided for in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations or any applicable ordinances of the Borough.
- 6.3. No person shall make, or cause to be made, any cross connection between any pipe, fixture, or other appurtenance connected in any way to the Stormwater Management System and any public or private component of any potable water system or wastewater

source; whereby, in the opinion of the Authority, the potential exists for vacuum or back siphonage which could permit the co-mingling of sanitary wastes, Stormwater, and/or potable water.

ARTICLE VII - "PROHIBITED WASTES"

- 7.1. The discharge of Stormwater to the Stormwater Management System in any manner other than allowed by these Rates, Rules, and Regulations, and all other applicable local resolutions or ordinances, is expressly prohibited.
- 7.2. The discharge of garbage or any form of waste to the Stormwater Management System is expressly prohibited.
- 7.3. Users of the Stormwater Management System are advised that they are likewise subject to all local resolutions and ordinances governing Stormwater, whether or not specifically set forth herein. If a conflict exists between the rules and regulations stated herein, and any Authority resolution or Borough ordinance, the more stringent regulation or requirement shall apply and control.

ARTICLE VIII - "GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS"

- 8.1. The Authority may implement such administrative procedures necessary to implement the policies and requirements set forth in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations.
- 8.2. Floods from Stormwater may occur occasionally that exceed the capacity of the Stormwater Management System maintained and financed with User Fees. Nothing herein shall be deemed to imply that Developed Parcels subject to charges shall always be free from flooding or flood damage, or that all flood control projects to control Stormwater can provide complete protection from all flood and storm events. Nothing whatsoever in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations shall deem the Authority liable for any damages incurred from Stormwater or from adverse water quality. Nothing herein is intended to reduce the need or necessity for flood insurance, and the Authority expressly reserves the right to assert all available immunities and defenses in any action seeking to impose monetary damages upon the Authority, its officers, employees, and/or agents arising out of any alleged failure or breach of duty with respect to the Stormwater Management System.
- 8.3. The Authority will review and update the User Fees fixed and established by these Rates, Rules, and Regulations by resolution every year, or sooner as deemed necessary.
- 8.4. If any section, clause, or other portion of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations as a whole or any other part hereof.

- 8.5. No agent or employee of the Authority shall have the right or authority to bind the Authority by any promise, agreement, or representation contrary to the letter or intent of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations.

ARTICLE IX - "APPEAL PROCEDURES"

- 9.1. Any Owner who believes the provisions of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations have been applied in error may appeal in the following manner and sequence. A comprehensive Stormwater Management Program Credits and Appeals Manual has been developed to provide detailed guidance and procedures on this and is expressly incorporated into these Rates, Rules, and Regulations as Appendix "C".
- 9.2. An appeal of the rate and charge must be filed in writing with the Authority or its designee within thirty (30) days of the charge being mailed or delivered to the Property Owner. Any appeal must state the reasons for the appeal and be submitted using the forms provided by the Authority for such purpose. If a customer believes that BBSA's determination of the IA for their Property is erroneous, they may file an IA Adjustment Appeal. Please note, appeals are different from Credits. It is the customer's responsibility to demonstrate that BBSA's calculation of IA is erroneous. Following submission of a Stormwater Adjustment Appeal Form, the customer shall grant BBSA permission to enter the parcel at reasonable times and without unreasonable disruption, to inspect the parcel to ensure that the information provided in the adjustment appeal accurately represents the current parcel conditions. There is no fee associated with submitting an adjustment appeal, however, the customer is solely responsible for any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of the adjustment appeal and all required appeal documentation.
- 9.3. Using information provided by the appellant, the Authority (or its designee) shall conduct a technical review of the conditions on the Property and respond to the appeal in writing within ninety (90) days. In response to an appeal, the Authority may adjust the User Fees applicable to the Property in accordance with the provisions of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations. If the Authority fails to respond within ninety (90) days, the appeal shall be deemed denied, unless extended by consent of the Property owner. If the adjustment appeal results in a revised calculation of IA thirty (30) days prior to the next billing date, then the User Fee will be corrected to reflect the revised IA determination for the next bill.
- 9.4. Any person aggrieved by any decision of the Authority, relevant to the provisions of this Resolution, may file an action in the Court of Common Pleas of Northampton County as permitted by law.

ARTICLE X – "POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AUTHORIZED"

- 10.1. The Authority may by resolution adopt such rules, regulations, policies, and procedures as it deems appropriate to ensure collection of rates and charges assessed and imposed

pursuant to these Rates, Rules, and Regulations. Without limitation, collection procedures may include referral of delinquent accounts to a collection agency, filing of liens, scire facias sur municipal lien proceedings to collect filed liens, and all other measures or combinations thereof which the Board may deem appropriate.

- 10.2. All costs of such collection procedures, including but not limited to fees for filing, perpetuation and satisfaction of liens, collection fees, attorneys' fees, court costs, litigation expenses, and charges for service of documents, shall upon being incurred by the Authority be imposed as a charge for nonpayment and added to the balance due on said Owner's account.
- 10.3. No lien shall be satisfied, nor shall any collection proceeding be discontinued until all amounts due on an account, including User Fees, interest, collection fees, attorneys' fees, court costs and other charges are first paid in full to the Authority.
- 10.4. The Authority may implement such administrative procedures necessary to implement the policies and requirements set forth in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations.

ARTICLE XI – “STORMWATER FUND”

- 11.1. Unless expressly provided for or required by law or applicable agreement related to stormwater management, the funds received from the collection of the User Fees authorized by Resolution shall be deposited with a Stormwater fund dedicated to the operation and administration of the SFCAP or any other stormwater related expenses.

ARTICLE XII – “NO WARRANTY OR ACTION”

- 12.1. Nothing in these Rates, Rules, and Regulations or in the design, operation or maintenance of the Stormwater System shall be deemed to constitute a warranty, express or implied, nor shall it afford the basis for any action seeking the imposition of money damages against the Authority, its officers, employees, or agents. The Authority expressly reserves the right to assert all available immunities and defenses in any action seeking to impose monetary damages upon the Authority, its officers, employees, and agents arising out of any alleged failure or breach of duty or relationship as may not exist or hereafter be created.

ARTICLE XIII – “PENALTIES”

- 13.1. Any violation of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations is hereby declared to be a summary offense in accordance with Section 5607(d)17 of the Pennsylvania Municipality Authorities Act, as amended, and shall be punishable by a fine of up to Six Hundred

(\$600.00) Dollars for each offense. Each and every day that a violation of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations exists shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

- 13.2. The Authority may also enforce the terms of these Rates, Rules, and Regulations by an appropriate action brought in the Court of Common Pleas of Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE XIV – “CREDITS AND INCENTIVES”

- 14.1. An integral component of the SFCAP includes implementation of a program to incentivize Borough residents and businesses to reduce their User Fee by undertaking and implementing approved activities that will reduce the rate and/or volume of Stormwater runoff and/or reduce the pollutants in that runoff. A comprehensive Stormwater Management Program Credits and Appeals Manual has been developed to provide detailed guidance and procedures on such activities and is expressly incorporated into these Rates, Rules, and Regulations as Appendix “C”.
- 14.2. Credit amounts are proportional to the Impervious Area that drains to the BMP. To be eligible for a Credit, there must not be any outstanding and unpaid User Fees against the Property. Property Owners may apply for one or more Credits, with Credits being cumulative up to a maximum Credit of 50 percent (50%) of that Property’s Stormwater User Fee, unless the Property meets the requirements of the Stormwater Partnership Credit.
- 14.3. Property Owners must submit the appropriate Credit Application along with any documentation required by BBSA. All Developed Parcels are potentially eligible for Credits, however, certain Credits are only available to certain categories of Owners in accordance with the table set forth in Appendix “B.” Note that Credit availability may be modified by BBSA from time-to-time by appropriate resolution and corresponding changes will be made to Appendix “B” hereto, to the extent practicable.
- 14.4. BBSA reserves the right to request additional supporting information if the provided information does not clearly support the requested type or amount of Credit. BBSA or its designee will review all plans, materials, and documentation related to the Credit Application for accuracy.
- 14.5. If the Property Owner disagrees with BBSA or its designee’s decision, the Owner shall submit a request in writing to BBSA for a meeting to discuss such decision. BBSA or its designee will notify the Property Owner as to the date and time of the meeting when the Credit Application will be considered. If BBSA does not approve the Credit Application in whole or in part, the Property Owner shall receive a written notice which includes the reason(s) for the decision.
- 14.6. Upon written notice, BBSA, in its sole discretion, may revoke any previously approved Credit for failure to meet Credit conditions or failure to meet minimum maintenance

requirements. Credits will be revoked if a Property Owner's User Fees are overdue more than ninety (90) days.

- 14.7. **DISCLAIMER** - By submitting a BBSA Stormwater Management Program Fee Credit Application pursuant to the BBSA Stormwater Management Program Credits and Incentives Policy, Property Owner acknowledges and agrees that he and his heirs, grantees, successors, and assigns shall be solely responsible and liable for the Operation and Maintenance of any and all BMPs constructed, installed, or employed by the Property Owner. BBSA shall not be responsible for or liable with respect to the Operation and Maintenance of any BMP, or any damages arising therefrom. Property Owner and his heirs, grantees, successors, and assigns shall indemnify and hold harmless BBSA, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims, actions, causes of action, judgments, damages, losses, costs, and expenses (including attorneys' fees) arising out of or resulting from the construction, installation, employment, maintenance, or operation of the BMP.

Appendix “A” – Rate Schedule

- 1.1 All Developed Parcels shall be charged a User Fee consisting of an IA rate. Properties under 300 square feet (“sf”) of IA shall have no User Fee charged. All other Developed Parcels shall be charged a User Fee based upon the Tier into which each Developed Parcel falls due to their IA. The Tiers shall be as follows:

Tier Number	Impervious Area Amount	Yearly User Fee
Tier 0	≤ 301 sf.	No fee assessed
Tier 1	301 to 2,000 sf.	\$80.00
Tier 2	2,001 to 4,000 sf.	\$100.00
Tier 3	≥ 4,001 sf.	\$120.00/2,000 sf. Base Unit multiplied by total IA (Rounded to nearest 100 sq.)

- 1.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, public streets, as part of the stormwater conveyance system, shall be exempt from User Fees under these Rates, Rules, and Regulations.

Appendix “B” – Summary of Available Credits

CREDIT TITLE	DESCRIPTION	MAXIMUM CREDIT AMOUNT
Peak Rate/Volume Control Credit	A structural Best Management Practice (BMP) that reduces the rate/volume of stormwater leaving the Property; must adhere to the Bath Borough Stormwater Management Ordinance design criteria.	40%
Education Credit	All private and public-school account holders recognized by the state of Pennsylvania who provide their students through a regular and continuing program of education concentrating on stewardship of water resources.	5%
Low Impact Parcel Credit	A parcel is considered a Low Impact Parcel if its Total IA is less than or equal to 10% of the total parcel area. If a parcel meets these conditions, it is eligible for a credit.	30%
Agricultural Credit	Agricultural Properties that are in compliance with current regulations may submit their approved plans.	TBD
Rain Barrel Rebate	The Authority will grant a one-time rebate of \$30 for up to two downspouts on the parcel which are properly connected to a rain barrel, cistern, or other approved containment device that provides a minimum of 30 gallons of storage per downspout and meets all criteria listed in the Credit and Appeals Manual. Rain barrels that exist at the time of implementation of the credit policy are eligible for a one-time fee rebate, provided that photographic documentation of the barrel, cistern, or other approved	\$30

	containment device accompanies the Credit Application.	
Rain Garden Rebate	The Authority will grant a one-time rebate of \$30 for the installation of a rain garden that meets all criteria listed in the Credit and Appeals Manual. The applicant must submit an application, a design plan acceptable to the Authority or the Authority's engineer and in compliance with the standards of the Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual, and photographic documentation that the rain garden installation has occurred.	\$30
NPDES Credit	Properties with an active, fully-compliant NPDES Permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.	50%
Partnership Credit	Opportunity for Property owners to seek Credit for stormwater practices that are not covered by other Credits – practices must provide a benefit to the program to be awarded.	TBD
NOTE – Maximum total Credit per Property is 50 percent (50%), excluding Partnership Credits.		

**Appendix “C” – Stormwater Management Program Credit and Appeals
Manual**