

54100 Stormwater Coalition (SWC)

Goal: Address stormwater flooding, drainage, and water quality issues on a watershed basis through regional cooperation, coordination, and education in the development and implementation of long-range stormwater management plans.

Objectives:

- Plan ~~bimonthly~~ quarterly SWC meetings to address various aspects of the NPDES stormwater permits that are specific to the region and/or time of year.
- Coordinate Stormwater Action Group (SWAG), which provides technical support and guidance to SWC.
- Coordinate the Stormwater Coalition (SWC) to encourage sharing of information and resources in meeting National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) stormwater permits, and solving stormwater management problems on a watershed basis.
- Coordinate SWC efforts and water quality policy recommendations with other TMACOG Water Quality committees.
- Assist Stormwater Coalition members in fulfilling the NPDES stormwater permit requirements for six minimum control measures:
 - Public Outreach and Education
 - Public Involvement
 - Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
 - Construction
 - Post-construction
 - Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping
- Reach out to new regulated MS4s in Wood and Lucas counties.
- ~~Annual preparation and distribution of timely newsletters with stormwater information for residents of member jurisdictions~~ Utilize the Clear Choices Clean Water-Greater Toledo Lake Erie program to help fulfil some SWC members permit requirements for public education and outreach (See 54400).
- Provide one workshop for member jurisdictions or the development community aimed at improving implementation of stormwater and/or construction BMPs.
- Participate in, and support the Green Infrastructure Task Force.
- Provide Good Housekeeping training and educational materials as requested by member jurisdictions.
- Stay current with stormwater regulations and inform members of upcoming stormwater regulations and compliance deadlines.
- Provide individualized Stormwater Program Evaluations as requested by member jurisdictions.
- Connect local secondary, college, and university students with opportunities to participate in design, installation, or maintenance of green stormwater infrastructure projects.
- Participate in, and support the Toledo-Lucas County Rain Gardens Initiative.
- Encourage involvement of member jurisdictions in the Ohio Stormwater Association to facilitate communication with stormwater practitioners across the state.
- Identify up to two professional development opportunities for TMACOG Stormwater Program staff.
- Identify funding opportunities, facilitate project coordination, and provide SWAG technical support for stormwater projects that demonstrate best management practices, help meet National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) permit requirements, and support Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) implementation.
- Provide support to Toledo-Lucas County Land Bank and the City of Toledo to facilitate reuse of vacant properties for stormwater benefits.

- Review and provide feedback on stormwater issues and policies relevant to transportation through outreach to Ohio Department of Transportation and through coordination with TMACOG’s Transportation Department.
- Provide professional development opportunities for member communities and help meet personnel training requirements through membership in the Center for Watershed Protection (CWP). Host or organize group viewing of CWP stormwater-themed webcast series and facilitate discussion.

54125 Belmont/Forest Bioretention Project

Goal: ~~Demonstrate how vacant properties can provide water quality benefits while eliminating blight through the installation of green infrastructure.~~

Objectives:

- ~~Repurpose an urban property into green stormwater retention and treatment areas.~~
- ~~Construct one or more bioretention cells treating runoff from nearby impervious surfaces including roofs, sidewalks, and streets. This will result in flow reductions to the current combined sewer system.~~
- ~~Provide educational opportunities and signage for residents and students.~~

54400 Clear Choices Clean Water (CCCW)

Goal: Launch and maintain a regional water quality education campaign as a local affiliate of the national Clear Choices Clean Water program. The web-based program will be led by the members of TMACOG’s Stormwater Coalition with a goal of empowering the citizens of northwest Ohio to make impactful choices to improve water quality while also meeting some Ohio EPA stormwater permit requirements for public involvement, participation, and education.

Objectives:

- Ensure ongoing funding through program administration, member and sponsor billing, and biennial payment.
- Establish CCCW working group that includes SWC members and partners.
- Integrate SWC goals and priorities into initial program set-up through CCCW working group.
- Work with CCCW national office to launch, host, and maintain CCCW website.
- Set timeline for regular updates to website, coordinate content updates with the CCCW working group, and implement updates on established timeline.
- Identify opportunities to promote CCCW at member and partner events throughout the 2017 launch year.
- Distribute data reports to SWC members annually for inclusion in member’s required reports to OEPA.
- Provide support to members in seeking sponsorships.
- Provide support to member and partner stormwater education efforts.

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