Stormwater Management Plan

Public Education and Outreach

Newsletter – The Frankfort Township Road District publishes an e newsletter that notifies residents of important information and upcoming events. The newsletter is published twice a year. The Township will periodically include articles on topics that the public can take to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff.

Website – The Frankfort Township Road District maintains a website with information and links about stormwater information material. The website also, includes information about recycling events, Will County household waste disposal events and has links to Will County Green.com.

Public Involvement and Participation

The Township provides opportunity for residents to give input on MS4 program activities, and participates in public programs. The Township holds Monthly Township Board meetings which provides an opportunity for the public to learn about the MS4 program and provide input during the open comment period of the Board meetings.

The Township Road District provides Branch and Leaf collection programs for the residence, information about the programs are available on the Township Website. As a result of our branch pick up program, wood chips are available to residents, residents are able to contact the Road District for available wood chips.

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

The Township coordinates with Will County Land Use and the Will County Health Department for detecting and addressing illicit discharges. The Township follows the Will County Land Use ordinances. When illicit discharges are detected or suspected, the Township coordinates with Will County Land Use and the Will County Health Department to investigate and determine a resolution. Pollutant testing for any illicit discharges is coordinated with Will County Health Department and Will County EMS when issues arise.

MS4 Outfall Map – The Township has an MS4 outfall map and the map is updated as needed.

Residents can report instances of pollution or suspected pollution by contacting the Road District at 708-479-9673 or by initiating an email inquiry to the Township Website.

Township staff inspects the outfalls for evidence of illicit discharges while performing routine operation and maintenance activities.

The Township conducts periodic inspections, typically in dry weather conditions to detect illicit discharges. In the case of emergency spills or incidents of hazardous material the situation is referred to the Fire Protection District for containment and cleanup.

Input from the public is processed through the existing work order system. The policies of the Township are evaluated and modified to maintain compliance and meet policy goals.

Construction and Post Construction Site Runoff Control

The Will County Stromwater Ordinance is applicable to Frankfort Township Road District. This Ordinance addresses the volume and rate of release from regulated development sites.

Will County Code for Stromwater Ordinance addresses construction and postconstruction runoff from new development and redevelopment. The County reviews proposed site plans prior to issuing permits for development. Ongoing projects are inspected by the County to ensure conformance with the approved site plan.

County Code prohibits illicit discharges, requires erosion control measures on all sites, and requires construction sites above one acre to have a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.

The Township follows the Will County Land Use ordinances for construction site control. Will County Land Use provides construction site inspections in Unincorporated Township areas. If the Township observes issues with sediment

and erosion control at construction sites, it coordinates with Will County Land Use construction site inspection staff.

Pollution Prevention / Good House Keeping

Employee Training: Frankfort Township Highway Department staff will be trained on pollution prevention and stormwater quality annually. Training will be provided on recognizing illicit discharges, herbicide and pesticide storage and application, roadway deicing agent usage, storage, and handling, and pollution prevention topics.

Road Salt: Road salt and other deicing agents are stored in a permanent salt storage facility and protected from stormwater.

Street Sweeping: The Township sweeps most high priority streets approximately 6 times a year. Supplement sweeping is conducted as needed. Collected debris is removed via garage facility dumpster.

Inspection and Maintenance: Storm water detention facilities and catch basins are visually inspected on a regular basis.

Fertilizer and Pesticide: Minimal amounts of pesticides and herbicides are used by The Township and are only applied by licensed applicators and operators.

Waste Disposal: Waste and recyclables are stored in designated containers and areas for proper disposal.

Catch Basin Vacuuming: Catch Basins are routinely inspected. The Township will contract to have the vacuum catch basins cleaned if needed. The contractor removes and disposes of the vacuumed material at an approved waste site.

Fleet Maintenance and Cleaning: Maintenance and cleaning are preformed inside the Road District facility where floor drains are connected to triple basins and the sanitary sewer system.