

Memorandum

To: Citizens of Excelsior

From: City of Excelsior

Re: Excelsior MS4 Program
and SWPPP

What Is an MS4 and Why Does It Matter to You?

An MS4, or Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System, is a network of public infrastructure, like streets, gutters, catch basins, and ditches, designed to collect and carry stormwater runoff. Unlike sanitary sewers, MS4s don't treat water before it flows into lakes, rivers, and wetlands. As an MS4 community, Excelsior is responsible for reducing pollutants that enter our stormwater system. To do this, the City follows a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP), which outlines strategies for protecting water quality. Each SWPPP includes six minimum control measures (MCM) that address the following areas:

					
1. Public Education and Outreach	2. Public Participation and Involvement	3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination	4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control	5. Post-Construction Site Management	6. Good Housekeeping and Pollution Prevention

Learn About the City's MS4 Program & Share Your Input

As part of our commitment to transparency and compliance with MCM 2 requirements, the City will be sharing updates on the implementation of its MS4 program for 2024–2025. A dedicated poster board outlining key activities and progress for each Minimum Control Measure (MCM) will be available on the City's website. Each MCM section will include a summary of actions taken to meet permit requirements. We also invite residents to share feedback on the adequacy of the City's Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP). Your input helps us improve and protect our local water resources.

To submit comments or questions about the SWPPP, please email Public Works Superintendent Tim Amundsen at tamundsen@excelsiormn.org. For general inquiries, contact the City at 952-653-3671.

