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DATE: December 29, 2020

SUBJECT: Report on the Storm Water Discharge Program Fund for Fiscal Year 2020

In accordance with Section 3119(7) of the 2004 PA 91 amendment to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached is the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) report on the Storm Water Discharge Program Fund for fiscal year 2020.

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Legislative Report

Storm Water Discharge Program Fund

Report Period:
Fiscal Year 2020

Authority:
MCL 324.3119(7)

This report fulfills the reporting requirements contained Section 3119(7) of the 2004 PA 91 amendment to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended.

The activities discussed in this report represent the fiscal year (FY) 2020 activities performed in administering the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) Storm Water Discharge Program that were funded by the Storm Water Fund.

Activity (a):

<u>Subactivity</u>	<u>Fee FTE</u>	<u>Total FTE</u>
Permit issuance and development	0.24	3.3
Compliance	1.6	22.0
Enforcement	0.16	2.2

This is the eighth year the program is substantially funded by federal funds. There were 24.5 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in FY 2020 in the program that were not funded by the storm water discharge fees.

Activity (b):

EGLE received 566 new storm water permit applications.

Activity (c):

EGLE received 885 storm water permit applications for reissuance.

Activity (d):

EGLE received and processed 34 permit modification requests.

Activity (e):

<u>Subactivity</u>	<u>Fee-Funded Staff Hours</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>
Construction site permits	904	12,251
Industrial permits	1,573	21,320
Municipal permits – institutions	67	905
Municipal permits – city, village, township	1,310	17,764
Municipal permits – county	197	2,674
Municipal permits – state, federal	11	148

Activity (f):

<u>Subactivity</u>	<u>Permits Issued</u>
Construction site permits	578
Industrial permits	663
Municipal permits – institutions	11
Municipal permits – city, village, township	34
Municipal permits – county	8
Municipal permits – state, federal	0

Activity (g):

The average number of days for a permit review was 53 days.

Activity (h):

Zero permit applications were denied.

Activity (i):

Permit applicants withdrew 51 applications.

Activity (j):

The percentage and number of permit applications reviewed for administrative completeness within 10 days of receipt by EGLE were 73 percent and 1,087, respectively.

Activity (k):

EGLE received 1,240 out of 1,485 permit applications (84 percent) that were administratively complete as received.

Activity (l):

EGLE took final action for 526 out of 527 new permit applications (99 percent) within 180 days.

Activity (m):

EGLE completed all permit reissuance and modification requests within the required time.

Activity (n):

EGLE did not reopen any storm water permits.

Activity (o):

There were no unfilled positions dedicated to the Storm Water Discharge Program at the end of FY 2020.

Activity (p):

The balance in the Storm Water Fund as of September 30, 2020 is \$93,231.