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DATE: December 30, 2019

SUBJECT: Report on the Storm Water Discharge Program Fund for Fiscal Year 2019

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 2019.

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EGLE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY **Legislative Report**

Storm Water Discharge Program Fund

Report Period: Fiscal Year 2019

Authority: MCL 324.3119(7)

This report fulfills the reporting requirement contained in 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) 2019 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):		
Subactivity	Fee FTE	Total FTE
<u>Subactivity</u>		
Permit issuance and development	0.4	3.5
Compliance	2.4	23.1
Enforcement	0.2	2.3

This is the eighth year the program is substantially funded by federal funds. There were 26 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in FY 2019 in the program that were not funded by the storm water discharge fees. Additional staff was moved from this activity to perform work on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) activities.

Activity (b):

EGLE received 577 new storm water permit applications.

Activity (c):

EGLE received 728 storm water permit applications for reissuance.

Activity (d):

EGLE received and processed 31 permit modification requests.

Activity (e):

Subactivity	Fee-Funded <u>Staff Hours</u>	Total <u>Hours</u>
Construction site permits	1,371	13,371
Industrial permits	2,730	23,270
Municipal permits – institutions	99	988
Municipal permits – city, village, township	1,576	19,389
Municipal permits – county	454	2,919
Municipal permits – state, federal	12	161

Activity (f):

Subactivity	Permits Issued
Construction site permits	556
Industrial permits	647
Municipal permits – institutions	14
Municipal permits – city, village, township	22
Municipal permits – county	3
Municipal permits – state, federal	0

Activity (g):

The average number of days for a permit review was 11 days.

Activity (h):

Zero permit applications were denied.

Activity (i):

Permit applicants withdrew 53 applications.

Activity (j):

The percentage and number of permit applications reviewed for administrative completeness within 10 days of receipt by EGLE were 82 percent and 1,101, respectively.

Activity (k):

EGLE received 724 out of 1,336 permit applications (54 percent) that were administratively complete as received.

Activity (I):

EGLE took final action for 564 out of 567 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 zero unfilled positions dedicated to the Storm Water Discharge Program at the end of FY 2019.

Activity (p):

The amount of revenue in the Storm Water Fund at the end of FY 2019 was \$270,619.