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**Hello:**

The Climate & Infrastructure Committee of the Minneapolis City Council will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, **May 8, 2025, at 1:30 pm**, in Room 350, Public Service Center, 250 S. Fourth St., seeking public input into the priorities and programs that make up the city's [Minneapolis Stormwater Management Program](#) (SWMP).

At the time of the public hearing, the committee will provide an opportunity ([see guidance](#)) for all interested persons to be heard regarding the SWMP. You are not required to participate in the in-person meeting. You may comment in writing by sending a written statement to arrive before the public hearing to: [councilcomment@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:councilcomment@minneapolismn.gov) or Minneapolis City Clerk's Office, C/O Climate & Infrastructure Committee Coordinator, 350 S. Fifth St., Room 304, Minneapolis, MN 55415-1382. The committee will consider all timely written and oral comments and statements. **If you need accommodation to fully participate, or if you need this document in a different format, please call 311 or 612-263-6850 (TTY).**

**HISTORY:**

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) is a program created in 1990 by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to protect water quality through the regulation of the discharge of pollutants to lakes, streams, wetlands, and other surface waters. This program regulates different types of municipal, industrial, and construction activities and is administered locally by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

Providing an opportunity for public input into the development of [SWMP priorities](#) and programs is one of the requirements of the NPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Phase I Permit issued jointly to the City of Minneapolis and the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board (MPRB). The SWMP was written to address [NPDES MS4 Phase I Permit](#) initially issued to the City and the MPRB by the MPCA on February 16, 2018, and then reissued on December 12, 2023. This is an opportunity for all our partners to weigh in on priorities and concerns regarding the City and MPRB's management of stormwater under the Federal Clean Water Act.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Shahram Missaghi or Deb Pilger. Our contact information listed below.

Thank you!

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*Watch the [Pond Video on creating stormwater solutions](#). OR explore the Minneapolis [Salt mini-Course](#).*

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