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Stormwater Handbook and Checklist

Who should use the Handbook?

- DCR staff for internal designs and project submittal review processes.
- External designers for project designs.

Why does my project need to do this ?

- Meet project specific and DCR program statewide stormwater requirements.
- Reinforce DCR's commitment to low impact design principals.
- Encourages efficient implementation of optimized stormwater treatment – including in projects means overall lower costs to meet pollutant removal goals.

My project meets WPA requirements – isn't that enough?

- DCR's statewide MS4 permit includes different water quality treatment requirements than DEP's WPA regulations. Designers must review the applicability of both.
- DCR must maximize nutrient removal in certain Priority Watersheds and including in additional treatment designs is the best way.

What do I need to do?

- Follow the Stormwater Handbook during design,
- Complete the DCR SW checklist and submit with design the submittal, and
- Contact the Stormwater Unit **DCR Stormwater Management** | **Mass.gov** with questions.

Handbook Design Process

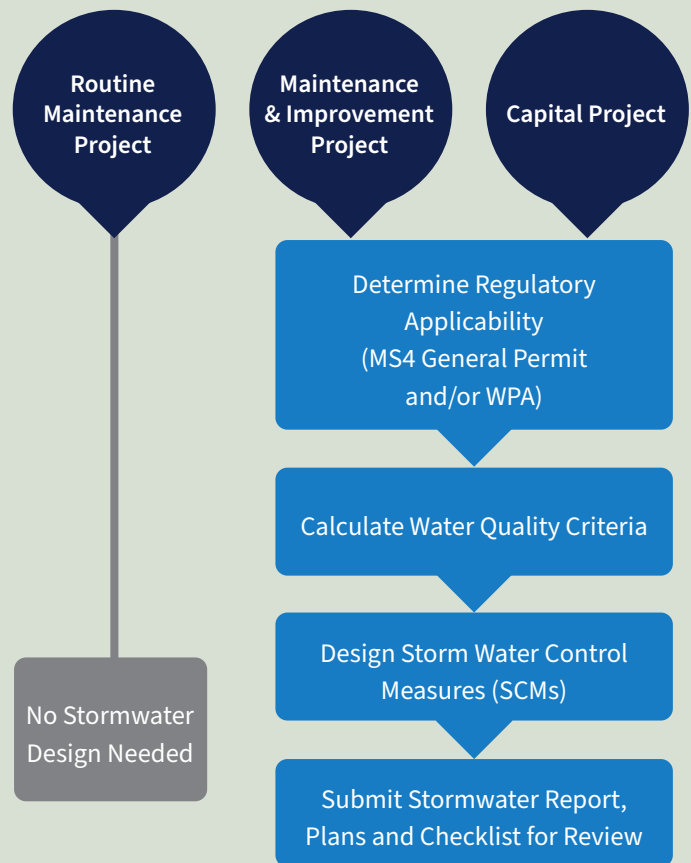


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All the details are in the Handbook and the
Checklist will walk you through it!