STORMWATER INFORMATION

Mount Joy Borough adopted a new stormwater ordinance on April 7, 2014 (Ordinance 2-14). Projects are broken into three classifications:

STORMWATER EXEMPTION

Projects which propose the cumulative installation of 1,000 square feet or less of impervious surface coverage after April 7, 2014, may be exempt from the design, plan submittal, and processing requirements of Articles III, IV, and V of Chapter 226 of the Code of Ordinances. No person or activity is exempted from compliance with §226-65 and Articles II, III, and IX of Chapter 226.

The installation of impervious surface coverage within an area for which a prior stormwater site plan has been approved and includes stormwater facilities which were specifically designed to manage the proposed impervious surface coverage are also exempt from the permit and stormwater site plan preparation and submission requirements.

For both of the above types of projects, an applicant must submit an application for a Stormwater Exemption using the form below and pay the required filing fee of \$50.00 prior to beginning work on the project.

SMALL PROJECTS

Small projects are regulated activities that, measured on a cumulative basis from April 7, 2014, create new impervious areas of more than 1,000 square feet and less than 5,000 square feet, or involve earth disturbance activities of an area less than 5,000 square feet, and do not involve the alteration of stormwater facilities or watercourses.

Small projects are required to provide volume control for at least the first one inch (1") of runoff from new impervious surfaces. Removal options include: reuse, evaporation, transpiration and infiltration.

An applicant must submit an application for a Stormwater Management Small Project using the form below and pay the required filing fee of \$175.00, prior to beginning work on the project.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SITE PLANS

All regulated activities which do not qualify for an exemption or as a small project must submit a Stormwater Management Site Plan meeting the requirements of Chapter 226. The Stormwater Management Site Plan must be prepared by a person licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of the State or otherwise qualified by law to perform the work required for submission of a Stormwater Management Site Plan.

MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY

We would like to take this time as a reminder of the importance of properly maintaining stormwater management facilities, such as inlets, storm sewer pipes, and detention basins. The responsibility for maintaining these facilities fall onto a number of different parties. Storm sewer pipes and inlets within the right-of-way are maintained by either PennDOT or Mount Joy Borough, depending on ownership of the road. On private property, the responsibility for maintaining stormwater facilities varies, but it is usually either a homeowner's association or the property owner where the facility is located. In many cases, agreements were signed by developers prior to construction indicating the party responsible and the specific maintenance tasks required. Mount Joy Borough is not responsible for maintenance of stormwater facilities on private property. If you have a question about responsibility for a specific location, please contact Ken Barto, Storm Water Enforcement Officer at 717-653-8226.