EITM Zone – Storm water permit enforcement

General

- DNR and/or village of Mount Pleasant construction site storm water permits are required for all construction activity in the EITM Zone.
- DNR and village permits require the permittee to develop and implement site specific erosion and sediment control measures and to inspect and maintain all erosion and sediment controls during construction.
- For projects that involve impervious surface area construction (e.g., roadways, parking lots, buildings), permittees are required to develop and implement post-construction storm water management plans and develop and implement long-term inspection and maintenance plans for all permanent storm water management practices.
- During construction, compliance with permits and plans (including inspection and maintenance) is enforceable by DNR and/or the village of Mount Pleasant.
- Inspection and maintenance of permanent storm water management practices is directly enforceable by the village of Mount Pleasant through long-term maintenance agreements, which the DNR requires the village to enforce through its municipal separate storm sewer (MS4) permit.

Enforcement procedures

- DNR uses a stepped enforcement process. The appropriate level enforcement is determined based on several factors including the significance of the compliance issue and the impact to water resources.
- DNR staff are not required to conduct construction or post-construction site inspections. However, DNR staff will inspect sites based on complaints.
- Under its MS4 permit, the village of Mount Pleasant is required to implement the inspection and enforcement procedures it submitted to DNR as part of its MS4 permit conditions.

EITM Zone procedures

- The village of Mount Pleasant will be the initial investigator when complaints or other reports of permit compliance issues are identified anywhere in the EITM Zone.
- The village of Mount Pleasant will report results of initial investigations to DNR and the appropriate responsible party (permittee). If the village is unable to clearly identify a responsible party, DNR will assist in this determination.
- DNR will review initial investigation reports and determine the appropriate response. Potential responses include scheduling a site inspection by DNR staff, confirming whether there are compliance issues, and initiating the stepped enforcement process.