

**STORMWATER  
MANAGEMENT  
PROGRAM  
ANNUAL REPORT**

*Developed in accordance with the requirements of TEXAS  
COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY -  
TEXAS POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION  
SYSTEM - TPDES GENERAL PERMIT TXR040000*



**LRGV TPDES Stormwater Task Force  
Founded in 1998**

*Permit Term:*

*August 14, 2014 – September 30, 2015*

*Prepared December 2015*

City of Alamo  
City of Alton  
City of Brownsville  
Cameron County  
Cameron County Drainage District #1  
City of Donna  
City of Edinburg  
City of La Feria  
City of La Joya  
City of Los Fresnos  
City of Mission  
City of Palmview  
City of Primera  
City of San Benito  
City of San Juan  
City of Weslaco

## A. General Information

Table 1.0 identifies the members of the LRGV TPDES Stormwater Task Force.

<b>Table 1-0 LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY TPDES STORMWATER TASK FORCE</b>			
<b>MS4</b>	<b>Permit No.</b>	<b>2010 Population</b>	<b>MS4 LEVEL</b>
Alamo	TXR040289	18,353	2
Alton	TXR040162	12,341	2
Brownsville	TXR040264	175,023	4
Cameron County	TXR040051	N/A	2
Cameron County Drainage District #1	TXR040236	N/A	2
Donna	TXR040165	15,798	2
Edinburg	TXR040323	77,100	3
La Feria	TXR040286	7,302	1
La Joya	TXR040288	3,985	1
Los Fresnos	TXR040270	5,542	1
Mission	TXR040168	77,058	3
Palmview	TXR040536	5,460	1
Primera	TXR040002	4,070	1
San Benito	TXR040161	24,250	2
San Juan	TXR040167	33,856	2
Weslaco	TXR040262	35,670	2

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## B. Narrative Provisions

1. Provide a brief description on the status of complying with permit conditions according to Part V of the permit. Include compliance with the SWMP that TCEQ approved, compliance with record keeping and reporting requirements, and compliance with permit eligibility requirements.

	Yes	No	Explain
Permittee is currently in compliance with the SWMP as submitted to and approved by the TCEQ.	X		
Permittee is currently in compliance with recordkeeping and reporting requirements.	X		
Permittee meets the eligibility requirements of the permit	X		

2. Each MS4 is required to assess the appropriateness of the BMPs in reducing the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). Provide a general assessment of the appropriateness of the selected BMPs, including whether any of the selected BMPs are not appropriate (*See Example 1 – BMP Status*).

Has the permittee determined that any of the selected BMPs are not appropriate for reducing the discharge of pollutants in storm water? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes   X   No  
See Table 2.0 for more details.

3. Describe progress towards reducing the discharge of pollutants. Summarize any information used to evaluate reductions in the discharge of pollutants. This information can be included in a tabular format as provided in the form, or attached in a narrative format.

At this period, the Task Force has not quantified any stormwater data. Pursuant to the SWMP, the Task Force will be assessing the regional program during Year 1 and Year 2 of the permit period. Information to assess the progress of the SWMP in reducing discharge of pollutants will be available tentatively by Year 3 of the permit period.

4. Provide a general evaluation of the success of the implementation of the measurable goals, including any obstacles or challenges in meeting the SWMP schedule, etc. (*See Example 2 – Measurable Goals Status*).

The Task Force is not immune to facing challenges regarding program success and is working toward full compliance of the SWMP. Although the Task Force combines its resources to assure compliance with the TPDES program, challenges stem from limited budget, staff and regulatory enforcement support.

→ <u>Budget</u> - lack of sufficient funding stream, budget difficult to attain sustainability	→ <u>ISD's</u> - Taskforce municipalities, A&M Kingsville and Arroyo Colorado Watershed Partnership work together with local school districts to educate students & parents through presentations (classroom or other), city events and
→ <u>Resources</u> - lack of identified resources to fund MS4	

<p>program</p> <p>→<u>Interdepartmental cooperation</u>- adequate training and involvement from other city departments. Exploration of alternative outreach opportunities.</p> <p>→<u>Lack of Storm Water Professionals</u>- not enough trained staff regionally, lack of understanding of the rules.</p> <p>→<u>Task Force</u>- Task Force is part of a team that has been instrumental in compliance with MS4 requirements to date. Working closely, the Task Force municipalities help ensure regional understanding &amp; support of the SWMP program goals &amp; assist in increasing media outreach through various outlets.</p>	<p>related media outreach.</p> <p>→<u>Scholarship</u> - A&amp;M Kingsville &amp; Taskforce have developed and implemented a regional scholarship program for Environmental or Civil Engineering prospects offered to at least 16 regional school districts.</p> <p>→<u>Training</u>- In conjunction with A&amp;M Kingsville, the Task Force has implemented training programs, workshops and webinars &amp; many other activities</p> <p>→<u>Enforcement</u> – Lack of support from TCEQ Regional and State office. Many MS4s in our region remain noncompliant with the TCEQ TPDES programs which hinders regional programs.</p>
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See Table 3.0 for more details.

### C. Stormwater Monitoring Data

Indicate whether the MS4 has conducted monitoring of stormwater quality, including analytical data and visual observations. Provide an explanation along with any monitoring data used to evaluate the success of the SWMP at reducing pollutants to the maximum extent practicable. Include a discussion of results with the explanation or summary.

At this period, the Task Force has not conducted any monitoring of stormwater quality. Pursuant to the SWMP, the Task Force will be assessing the regional program during Year 1 and Year 2 of the permit period. Information to assess the progress of the SWMP in conducting any monitoring of stormwater quality will be available tentatively by Year 3 of the permit period.

### D. Impaired Waterbodies

There are no EPA-approved TMDLs within the jurisdictions of the Task Force membership. Moreover, the SWMP is not subject to Part II.D.4.a. With regards to bacteria source determination and the bacteria impairment program associated with the SWMP (Chapter 8 of the SWMP), the Task Force has developed a workgroup to assist in developing a source determination strategy that includes review of pertinent historical literature, assessing existing EPA (RCRA, CERCLA, etc.), TCEQ (MSW, LPST, etc.) and other similar permit/registration databases, review of local health department records, review of past and active local and/or regional study findings, and review of other pertinent documentation. The assessment is still ongoing and no reporting of this information is available at this time. The Task Force will continue the assessment during Year 2 of the permit period. The Task Force will identify BMPs and ensure that the SWMP includes focused BMPs, along with corresponding measurable goals, that the permittee will implement, to reduce, the discharge of pollutant(s) of concern that contribute to the impairment of the water body. The timeline of this BMP will be adjusted accordingly. The Task Force anticipates this BMP will be complete by December 2016.

## **E. Stormwater activities next reporting year**

Describe any stormwater activities the MS4 operator has planned for the next reporting year. Use the provided table or attach a summary, as appropriate.

- a. M.C.M. 1- PUBLIC EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND INVOLVEMENT
  - 1. Expand outreach to include additional school campuses, professional organizations
  - 2. Continue webcasts, professional courses (soil erosion, GIS, inspections)
  - 3. Conduct 18<sup>th</sup> annual stormwater conference.
  - 4. Improve social media and websites
  - 5. Continue with public hearings
  - 6. Create possible listserve for feedback
  - 7. Promote additional volunteer efforts
- b. M.C.M. 2 - ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION AND ELIMINATION
  - 1. Specific Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination SW Ordinance (IDDE) Adoption and training
  - 2. Enforcement of IDDE SW Ordinance
- c. M.C.M. 3 - CONSTRUCTION SITE STORM-WATER RUNOFF CONTROL
  - 1. Develop, adoption and provide training on additional ordinances
  - 2. Enforcement of SW Ordinances
- d. M.C.M. 4 - POST-CONSTRUCTION STORM-WATER MANAGEMENT
  - 1. Specific Post-Construction Adoption and training
  - 2. Enforcement of Post-Construction SW Ordinance
  - 3. Green Ordinance Development
- e. M.C.M. 5 - POLLUTION PREVENTION AND GOOD HOUSEKEEPING FOR MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS
  - 1. Finalize Standard Operating Procedures
  - 2. Establish electronic record keeping

See Table 2.0 and 3.0 for further details.

## **F. SWMP Modifications and Additional Information**

No changes to SWMP proposed.

## **G. Additional BMPs**

No changes to SWMP proposed.

## **H. Additional Information**

The Task Force is comprised of sixteen (16) MS4s listed in Section A, Table 1-0 of this annual report. All MS4s use a standard interlocal agreement that provides the structure, administration and legal authority of the organization. The legal name of the Task Force is **Lower Rio Grande Valley Texas**



**Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Stormwater Task Force.** Each member is contracted with Texas A&M University-Kingsville via a local interlocal agreement renewed annually. An example of the interlocal is provided in Appendix A. This is a system-wide annual report including information for all permittees. All represented permittees have signed the report in accordance with signatory requirements, 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §305.128.

## **I. Construction Activities**

1. Provide the number of construction projects in the jurisdiction of the MS4 where the permittee was not the construction site operator (as provided in submittals to the MS4 operator via notices of intent or site notices).

Pursuant to the approved SWMP, this MCM and subsequently the corresponding BMPs, is being assessed during Year 1 and 2 of the permit period. No data is available during this reporting period. The Task Force is assessing individual programs, and is determining the feasibility of expanding the existing programs to a regional scale. This data will be provided in the next reporting period. No changes are proposed at this time.

2. Does the permittee utilize the seventh MCM related to construction? To answer "Yes," this must have been requested on the Notice of Intent (NOI) or on an NOC and approved by the TCEQ.

This MCM is not applicable.

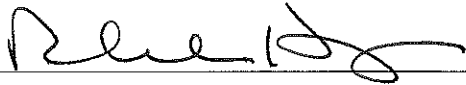
## J. Certification

For shared SWMPs, it would be acceptable to submit separate signature pages for each operator participating in the shared SWMP along with one copy of the system-wide annual report.

Solely one system-wide report is submitted, with signature pages. I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

MS4 Name: City of Edinburg

Name (printed): Richard M. Hinojosa Title: City Manager

Signature:  Date: December 29, 2015