



NOTICE

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Single & Multiple Lot Inspection and Maintenance of Private On-Site Stormwater Management Facilities Declaration of Covenants Disclosure Form

All residential building permits which provide private on-site stormwater management (SWM) facilities, non-structural SWM devices, and/or Environmental Site Design (ESD) devices, are required to have an executed and recorded agreement which outlines the responsibilities of maintenance and inspections for the practice. The document is necessary in order to comply with the County's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. The document is recorded prior to issuance of the associated permit.

Also, the recorded Declaration of Covenants requires current and future owners to maintain the facilities and keep them in proper working condition in accordance with the approved design standards and applicable laws, rules, and regulations of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE). The facilities shall not be altered without prior written approval from the County and the County retains the right to perform periodic inspections of the facilities.

It is the responsibility of the seller(s) to disclose all information regarding the Single & Multiple Lot Inspection and Maintenance of Private On-Site Stormwater Management Facilities to the buyer(s). In order to provide awareness to the citizens regarding responsibilities associated with newly permitted residential projects with stormwater management, a disclosure form must be completed prior to issuance of a Certificate of Use and Occupancy. Copies of the [required disclosure form](#) can be obtained at the Charles County Government Building; Codes, Permits & Inspection Services Division, or by visiting our Forms at <https://bit.ly/3arndqg>.

This change will be effective on the release date of this notice.

Should you have any questions on the application process, please contact the Department of Planning & Growth Management at (301) 645-0692.

Those citizens with special needs, please contact the Charles County Department of Planning and Growth Management, voice phone number (301)645-05400 or Maryland Relay Services TDD 1-800-735-2258.