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MISSOURI RIVER
NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

Southern Sarpy Watersheds Partnership Stakeholder Engagement Questions & Responses

Detention Requirements:

Q: Please provide more specifics on water quality LID. Will it be the same as the Papio Creek Partnership where the 1/2" storm is detained and released over 24-48 hours?

A: *Yes, this policy is the same as in the Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership. For more information, see the Omaha Regional Stormwater Design Manual:*

<https://www.omahastormwater.org/orsdm/>.

Q: Why is 2- and 10-year on-site detention still required?

A: *The 2- and 10-year on-site detention requirement avoids adverse impact to other infrastructure which follows a similar design standard (e.g. sewers) and supports stream stabilization which is a central goal of the Partnership.*

Creek Setback:

Q: Is the 3:1 creek setback required for all streams whether they have a 2-foot or 20-foot depression?

A: *Yes.*

Q: Can utilities go in the outer 30 foot of creek setback that can be used for trail or passive recreation corridor?

A: *No.*

Q: Will utility easements be allowed to overlap with the 3:1 + 50' setback area?

A: *The Partnership is considering this and will make a decision in an upcoming meeting.*

Q: If a watercourse is high in the watershed and the creek setback is very restrictive for such a small depression, could the watercourse be piped?

A: *The recommended policies do not change the ability to pipe a portion of a waterway. Be sure to review the SSWP Policy Document for the full definition of a watercourse.*

Guidance Document & Permitting:

Q: Will the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and/or Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy be involved in the creation of the permitting guidance?

A: *Yes, both the USACE and NDEE have been and/or will be involved in the development of the permitting guidance.*

Design Review, Operation & Maintenance:

Q: Who will review grade control structures for construction plans?

A: The Partnership is considering using a single reviewer for all grade control structures. A final decision and more details will be available on this after upcoming meetings.

Q: What is the channel survey requirement and is there a grace period if it is known that field conditions have not changed?

A: The channel survey requirement has been increased to be within 12 months of preliminary plat submittal. The channel survey will set the outlot boundaries and site conditions will be verified at the time of construction to ensure the grade control design is adequate. There is not a grace period.

Q: How will there be consistency in what is required across jurisdictions?

A: The Guidance Document and design templates should provide consistency across most situations. The Partnership is also considering a single reviewer for all designs which would provide further consistency. Despite this, the Partnership recognizes that not every situation can be accounted for and will look at additions to the Guidance Document or Policy Document which cover unexpected situations.

Q: Is there or will there be a mechanism to appeal for reimbursement on more robust projects that go beyond the template project designs? Particularly in the case that a local jurisdiction requires a development to go beyond a template design?

A: The expectation is that the Guidance Document and template designs will cover the majority of projects. However, the Partnership recognizes that not every situation can be accounted for and will look at additions to the Guidance Document or Policy Document which cover unexpected situations such as more robust projects.

Q: How will O&M be handled for a development that is not part of an SID such as a private development?

A: This will be handled in much the same way as the Post Construction Stormwater best management practices in that there will be some agreement between the owner and zoning jurisdiction to maintain the structure.

Fees:

Q: Where can an approximate fee schedule be found?

A: An updated fee schedule will be posted to the SSWP website once finalized. We anticipate the watershed fees will be the same as the PCWP watershed fees.

Q: Will engineering fees and other soft costs for the grade control measures be a general obligation cost for SIDs?

A: Yes.