TOWN OF WEST WARWICK
1170 MAIN STREET
WEST WARWICK, RI 02893

PUBLIC NOTICE OF DRAFT PHASE II STORM WATER ANNUAL REPORT PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RHODE ISLAND POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (RIPDES) PROGRAM GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES FROM SMALL MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS AND FROM INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY AT ELIGIBLE FACILITIES OPERATED BY REGULATED SMALL MS4s.

DATE OF NOTICE:

PDES PERMIT NUMBER: RIR040015

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF SMALL MS4 OPERATOR:
Town of West Warwick
1170 Main Street
West Warwick, RI 02893

Pursuant to the requirements established in the Rhode Island Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (RIPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharge from Small MS4s and from Industrial Activity at Eligible Facilities Operated by Regulated Small MS4s (General Permit), The Town of West Warwick submitted an application package, including Notice of Intent and Storm Water Management Program Plan (SWMPP) to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RIDEM) for authorization of the storm water discharges from the Town of West Warwick. In accordance with Part IV.E of the General Permit, the operator must annually evaluate the compliance of the SWMPP with the conditions of the permit, as well as the appropriateness of the selected best management practices and efforts towards achieving the measurable goals. An annual report prepared in accordance with Part IV.G of the general permit must be submitted to RIDEM by March 10th for each year after the permit is issued. Notice is hereby given of the intent to receive public comment and to hold a public meeting, if requested, on the Town of West Warwick Phase II Storm Water Annual Report.

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the Phase II Storm Water Annual Report may be obtained at no cost by writing or calling the Assistant Town DPW Director as noted below:

Fred Gil, Assistant Director of Public Works
Town of West Warwick
Department of Public Works
10 Junior Street
West Warwick, RI 02893
(401) 822-9225
The administrative record containing all documents is on file and may be inspected, by appointment, at the Town’s office mentioned above between 8:30AM and 4:00PM, Monday through Friday, except holidays.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC MEETING:

Pursuant to the requirements of the General Permit, a public meeting has been tentatively scheduled to consider the Town of West Warwick Phase II Storm Water Annual Report, if requested. Requests for a Public Meeting must be submitted in writing to the attention of Fred Gil at the address indicated above. Notice should be taken that if the Town of West Warwick receives a request from twenty-five (25) people, a governmental agency or subdivision, or an Association having no less that twenty-five (25) members on or before 4:00PM, March 17, 2020 (one day before scheduled public meeting), the public meeting will be held at the following time and place:

March 18, 2020 @ 2-3 PM  
West Warwick Town Hall  
1170 Main Street  
West Warwick, RI 02893

Interested persons should contact the Town of West Warwick in advance to confirm if a meeting will be held at the time and location noted above.

Interested parties may submit comments on the draft Annual Report and amendments to the SWMPP and the administrative record to the address above by the close of the public comment period, which ends 4:00 PM March 19, 2020 (day after proposed meeting date). Commenters may request a longer comment period if necessary to provide a reasonable opportunity to comply with these requirements.

If, during the public comment period, significant comments are received concerning the draft Annual Report or amendments to the SWMPP, the Town of West Warwick will provide a written response to comments to all persons that submitted comments and all members of the public that request a copy of the response. The response will include a final Annual Report and identify what changes to the SWMPP have been made if any.

FINAL ANNUAL REPORT AND AMENDMENTS TO THE SWMPP:

Pursuant to the General Permit, the Town of West Warwick will submit the final Annual Report and a copy of amendments to the SWMPP to the RIDEM. All records relating to this permit are available for review by the public. The public may view the records during normal business hours at the address indicated above. Changes adding (but not subtracting or replacing) components of the SWMPP may be implemented immediately upon written notification to RIDEM. Unless denied, changes replacing ineffective or infeasible six minimum measure best management practices specifically identified in the SWMPP shall be deemed approved and may be implemented within sixty (60) days from submittal of the request. Changes replacing ineffective or infeasible storm water controls specifically identified in the SWMPP or in an approved scope of work
intended to meet the requirements of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) or other Water Quality Determination may be implemented only upon receipt of written approval from RIDEM

Mar 8, 2020

Date

Donald Ouellette, Director of Public Works
Town of West Warwick