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**Re:** Lawrence County  
Lawrence County and Others  
Phase II/MS4  
Permit Number 0GQ00007\*AG  
MS4 Program Audit

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To whom it may concern:

On March 15, 2010, Ohio EPA conducted an inspection of the Lawrence County and Others Separate Storm Sewer System program. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. As a result of the inspection, I have the following comments:

**3.2.1 Public Education and Outreach**

1. Stenciling is an important part of the program. You are behind in this area. Make changes to ensure this project is completed. Utilize the local colleges for interns during the summer months. Many programs require an internship to be completed. You may also pursue utilizing workers from the county jail.
2. Pursue grants for funds to purchase supplies. Utilize text found at the bottom of the page at this link: [http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/ms4\\_index.aspx](http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/ms4_index.aspx) to search for potential funding sources.
3. When documenting how many people were exposed to the education material, make an estimate of how many people were presented with the choice to participate or stop by a booth. Do not just report how many people took something with them. You can only present the information. You are not responsible if they don't accept information.

**3.2.2 Public Involvement and Participation**

1. Please make an attempt to publicize the task force better.

### **3.2.3 Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination**

1. Complete the IDDE plan.
2. The annual report should show the total number of outfalls in the MS4. At least count all of the known outfalls.
3. The annual report states no screening has taken place. I know this is incorrect because we mapped and screened outfalls together. Please revise this section.

### **3.2.4 Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control**

1. Continue your efforts in this area.

### **3.2.5 Post Construction Storm Water Management in New Development and Redevelopment**

1. Any projects that involve post construction must have the proper O&M plans/Agreements in place. Ensure that these types of projects meet this permit requirement.

### **3.2.6 Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations**

1. You stated in the annual report that you had 3 garages and 2 were inspected at a frequency of once per year. Then you went on to say that all had been inspected. Please review and correct this section appropriately.
2. Keep track of the tons of slag and gravel utilized and report those numbers in your annual report.

Within sixty (60) days of receipt of this letter, please submit to me at this office a written notification as to actions taken or proposed to address the above comments. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for the completion of the actions. If you have any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5277.

Sincerely,



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