

# **Meeting Minutes**

# Port of Anchorage MS4 Implementation Storm Water Pollution Prevention Team Quarterly Meeting

Where: Port of Anchorage (POA) Conference Room, 2000 Anchorage Port Road

When: Thursday, 18 May 2017

Call to Order: 10:00am Changed to 1:30pm

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# I. Meeting and Team Introductions

- a. Due to a scheduling conflict, the meeting was moved from 10:00am to 1:30pm
- b. Representatives from TOTE Maritime Alaska could not accommodate the schedule change and were not in attendance
- c. Amanda Tuttle, Jim Rypkema, and Cheryl Fultz participated via teleconference

### II. Reviewed Quarterly SWPP Team Meeting Goals

- a. Discuss SWPP Team roles and responsibilities
- b. Facilitate collaboration and cooperation between all Port users and employees regarding stormwater management and issues: new BMPs/controls, new development/construction that may affect stormwater, maintenance activities, general stormwater concerns, etc.
- c. Provide team members with permit/regulatory updates as they evolve
- d. Promote education of stormwater policies and BMPs
- e. To meet the requirements of the MS4 Permit
- f. Discuss upcoming construction projects at the POA or that may affect POA access

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#### III. Updates

- a. POA projects: Anchorage Port Modernization Project (improvements proposed at north and south ends of the POA and includes construction of a new Petroleum Cement Terminal), Security Upgrades, New Generator Pads, Ship Creek Boat Launch erosion improvements (off site but is a POA project)
- b. ML&P is proposing a 35KV Feeder Loop Installation project which would transect Tract J, bore under the railroad tracks, and connect to electrical cabinet on Bluff Road. Construction is planned for 2017.
- c. AWWU is designing a project to reconstruct a water main that crosses Terminal Road. Construction schedule TBD.
- d. DOT&PF is closing POA onramp 31 May for 7 days; the north ramp will then be closed for 14 days. Traffic will be detoured through Whitney Road.
- e. Work will be conducted at 8 railroad crossings near the end of summer; the date is TBD. Traffic will be rerouted to Bluff Road.
- f. Inspections, monitoring, and trainings are ongoing
  - Wet weather monitoring will be conducted twice in 2017 to characterize storm water discharges during rain events.
  - 2. Dry weather inspections have been favorable; no illicit discharges noted and will continue throughout 2017.
- g. Stormwater webpage has been updated:

http://www.portofanc.com/operations/storm-water-management/

- 1. The development of a storm water specific webpage was a requirement of the new MS4 permit. You can find the most recent copy of the Annual Report, associated plan, contact information, quarterly meeting minutes, and frequently asked questions/common definitions regarding storm water protection on this webpage.
- h. Cruise ships starting at the end of May; two ships per week are anticipated
- i. Four cement ships are scheduled for 2017.
- j. Approximately 120 pieces of military equipment (vehicles and containers) are being deployed via the POA. These units will be staged until approximately 24 May 2017.
- k. Bear hazing is being performed as needed to minimize bear encounters at the POA. It is critical to keep trash bins covered and closed.

#### IV. Q&A/General Discussion

- a. Vehicle/equipment washing/rinsing procedures
  - 1. The discharge of water used to wash/rinse vehicles and/or equipment to the storm drain system/MS4 is not authorized. These activities must be conducted inside where water is allowed to drain through an OWS in accordance with the SWMP. If this type of work must be conducted outside, the water needs to be controlled and contained to prevent discharge to the MS4. Discharge to the subsurface via infiltration or to the AWWU sanitary sewer system are options that may be pursued. It is recommended that this work be conducted within a covered area and when a storm water event is not occurring.

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## b. MSGP Permit coverage

- All stakeholders either have coverage, are exempt, or are in the process of obtaining coverage. Permitting requirements are driven by Standard Industrial Class (SIC) codes; compliance is the responsibility of each stakeholder. Watch for MSGP inspections...they are likely coming soon!
- c. Snow disposal/storage developments
  - 1. The POA is in the process of coordinating with JBER to construct a snow storage facility. The agreement is being drafted and this site will hopefully be available for the 2017/2018 snow season. Tenants are responsible for proper housekeeping and debris removal at snow storage locations. Temporary snow storage piles should be placed as far away from receiving storm drain systems as possible and relocated to long-term storage areas as soon as possible. Snow storage procedures and BMPs will updated and communicated to the SWPP team once the site is ready for use.
- d. Earthquake Trailer/Drill: POA will be hosting this awareness event on Thursday 25 May 2017 beginning at 11:00am.

#### V. Identified Action Items:

- a. (Tenants) Report non-compliance violations immediately (IDDE)
- b. (Tenants) Obtain or maintain MSGP coverage.
- c. (R&M/Tenants) Complete stakeholder training sessions by end of 2017.
- d. (R&M/Tenants) Plan to attend next quarterly meeting scheduled for August. **NOTE:**Quarterly meetings are a requirement of the POA's MS4 permit and should be attended by at least one representative from each company.
- VI. Handouts: None
- VII. Adjournment: 2:30pm

