

Standardized Cost Reporting Phase II MS4 Permits

CASQA Phase II Subcommittee

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Cost of Municipal Stormwater Permit Implementation

Municipal stormwater permits vary widely across the state

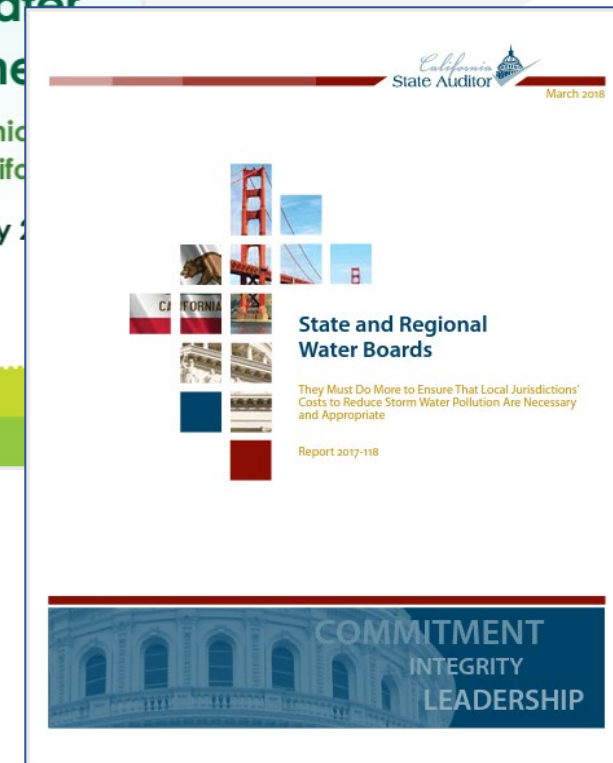
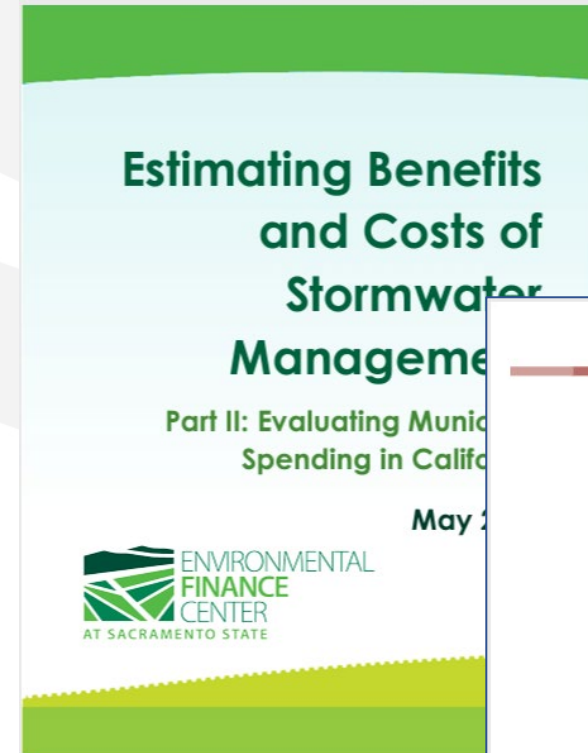
Consistent cost reporting is important

Uniform methods and transparency have multiple benefits

Cost of Municipal Stormwater Permit Implementation

Project Goals

- Identify costs associated with each permit element
- Estimate implementation costs for new permits
- Transparency through statewide uniform cost reporting



Cost of Municipal Stormwater Permit Implementation: Project Status

- Finalizing policy language and Staff Report for public release
- Developing user-friendly online reporting tool
- Seeking volunteers for Beta Testing



Draft Proposed Cost Categories for Phase II

Category Name	Description
1. Overall Program Management and Administration	Permit compliance administration and management activities, reporting, general coordination.
2. Capital Improvements	Development of new structural stormwater control measures or other tangible assets required to comply with the permit.
3. Minimum Control Measures and Municipal Operation & Maintenance	Permit-required routine operational and maintenance activities, including minimum control measures implementation.
4. Water Quality Monitoring	All permit-required water quality monitoring activities
5. Miscellaneous cost	Anything not identified or directly related to the aforementioned categories

Implementation Plan

- Adopted as a stand-alone Policy for Water Quality Control
- Would involve public process that includes the opportunity for written comments and a public hearing
- Policies are not self-implementing; language will be added to permits as they are reissued
- Water Code Section 13383 orders may be used for an interim period

Reporting Tool: Survey for Phase II

- Each category will have a separate page and a few sub-categories
- Survey takers can save survey and return later to complete it

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Annual Expenditures for Implementing Municipal Stormwater Permits

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- **STORMS Phase II survey:** Cost Categories for Phase II Permittees.

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Translation

Reporting Tool: Survey for Phase I (Contd.)

Intro

- Intro
- 1. Overall stormwater program management and administration cost
- 2. Capital cost
- 3. Operation and maintenance cost
- 4. Water quality monitoring cost
- 5. Miscellaneous cost

WDID

Owner/Operator Name:

Owner/Operator Street:

Region:

County

Population

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Reporting Tool: Survey for Phase II (Contd.)

1. Overall Stormwater Program Management and Administration Cost

Sub-Categories	Expenditure for last Fiscal Year
Personnel cost ?	
Consultant Cost ?	
Overhead Costs ?	
Total Expenditure	

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Cost of Municipal Stormwater Permit Implementation: Proposed Beta Testing



Assess the ease of use and applicability of the proposed cost reporting categories



Six-month evaluation period to accommodate data for two quarters



Primary testing outcomes:

Revised categories
FAQs



5 Phase II participants required at the minimum