



Date Adopted September 5, 2018 Committee Economic Development/ Public Works

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN ILLICIT CONNECTION TO STORM SEWERS
ALONG COUNTY ROADS
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has established the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge System Rules, N.J.A.C. 7:14-A, and the Stormwater Permitting Program in response to the requirements mandated under the Federal Clean Water Act, 33 U.S. C. §1251 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has mandated that each County adopt an "ILLICIT CONNECTIONS TO STORM SEWERS ALONG COUNTY ROADS, POLICY AND PROCEDURE"; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders has determined that in order to promote the goals established under the Federal Clean Water Act and the State of New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and the Stormwater Permitting Program that the County adopt an "ILLICIT CONNECTION TO STORM SEWERS ALONG COUNTY ROADS POLICY AND PROCEDURE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders that the "ILLICIT CONNECTIONS TO STORM SEWERS ALONG COUNTY ROADS - POLICY AND PROCEDURE" be and is hereby adopted.


 CHARLES V. HASSLER, Deputy Freeholder Director
 Chair, Economic Development/ Public Works Committee

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Salem on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018.


 BRENDA P. BANKS
 Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

| FREEHOLDER | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RESOLUTION MOVED | RESOLUTION SECONDED |
|-------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|------------------|---------------------|
| L. Ware | ✓ | | | | | |
| C. Hassler | ✓ | | | | ✓ | |
| B. Laury | ✓ | | | | | |
| S. Griscom | ✓ | | | | | ✓ |
| M. DeCastro | ✓ | | | | | |

✓ Indicates Vote ENG/DF

SALEM COUNTY

ILLICIT CONNECTIONS TO STORM SEWERS AT COUNTY ROADS

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Adopted On: September 5, 2018

Adopted By: **The Salem County Board of Chosen Freeholders**

By Resolution No.: _____

I. Purpose

A policy and procedure to prohibit illicit connections by Salem County to the municipal separate storm sewer system at county highways, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply. This policy and procedure does not apply to any illicit connection which emanates from an entity other than Salem County.

II. Definitions

For the purpose of this policy and procedure, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use for the purpose of this policy and procedure clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory. The definitions below are the same as or based on corresponding or related definitions in the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDDES) rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A-1.2.

- a. County Road – any road or other thoroughfare operated by Salem County (including a maintenance facility or rest area for such a thoroughfare). For purposes of this policy and procedure, a “road or other thoroughfare” does not include:
 - 1. Any thoroughfare confined to the grounds of one or more buildings;
or

2. Any thoroughfare confined to a park or recreational area operated by Salem County.
- b. Domestic sewage - waste and wastewater from humans or household operations.
 - c. Illicit connection – any physical or non-physical connection that discharges domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater) to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by Salem County, unless that discharge is authorized under a NJPDES permit other than the Highway Agency Municipal Stormwater General Permit (NJPDES Permit Number NJ0141887). Non-physical connections may include, but are not limited to, leaks, flows, or overflows into the municipal separate storm sewer system.
 - d. Industrial waste - non-domestic waste, including, but not limited to, those pollutants regulated under Section 307(a), (b), or (c) of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1317(a), (b), or (c)).
 - e. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) – a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by Salem County or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
 - f. NJPDES permit – a permit issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to implement the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A.
 - g. Non-contact cooling water - water used to reduce temperature for the purpose of cooling. Such waters do not come into direct contact with any raw material, intermediate product (other than heat) or finished product. Non-contact cooling water may however contain algaecides, or biocides to control fouling of equipment such as heat exchangers, and/or corrosion inhibitors.
 - h. Process wastewater - any water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product. Process wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate and cooling water other than non-contact cooling water.

- i. Stormwater – water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land’s surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

III. Prohibited Conduct

Salem County and its employees shall not discharge or cause to be discharged, through an illicit connection to the municipal separate storm sewer system located at county highways, any domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater).

IV. Penalties

Any Salem County officer or employee who continues to be in violation of the provisions of this policy and procedure, after being duly notified, shall be subject to removal, suspension, demotion, or other disciplinary action.