

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

- The purpose of this page is to raise public awareness of Highspire Borough's MS4 Stormwater Management Program and provide stormwater resources for the public.
- Highspire Borough's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) collects stormwater runoff through a variety of stormwater management facilities such as inlets, pipes, and roadways. Much of this runoff is ultimately discharged at various outfall locations to surface waters such as the Susquehanna River, Buser Run, and Burd Run. The health and quality of these surface waters are directly impacted by stormwater runoff. MS4 is regulated by PADEP under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit PAG-13.
- With a mix of homes, businesses, and industries, the water quality of the Borough's streams can be negatively impacted by pollutants conveyed via stormwater runoff. Successful public education and outreach efforts can result in a greater number of people within the Borough that are aware of these issues affecting water quality. With increased awareness, there is an increased chance that water quality improvement can be realized through collective action. The information and links on this page are provided to meet this goal.
- Link to Public Complaint Form. Please complete this form, or contact the Borough, if you witness a pollution incident that may impact storm water runoff or threaten local streams. An example of an incident could be oil spilled into a Borough storm drain.
- Link to Dauphin County Conservation District Stormwater Management Page - <http://www.dauphincd.org/swm/swmgmt.html>
- Link to DEP - <http://www.dep.pa.gov/Pages/default.aspx#.VmdGWCMo6po>
- Link to DEP Municipal Stormwater Page - <http://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/PointNonPointMgmt/StormwaterMgmt/Stormwater/Pages/default.aspx#.VmdGJiMo6pp>
- Link to EPA Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) - <http://www.epa.gov/chesapeake-bay-tmdl>
- Link to EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) - <http://www.epa.gov/national-pollutant-discharge-elimination-system-npdes>