



Town of Lincoln

Stormwater Management Ordinance

I. PURPOSE

To protect, maintain and enhance the public health, safety, environment, and general welfare by establishing minimum requirements to control the adverse effects of increased post-development stormwater runoff, decreased groundwater recharge, and non-point source pollution associated with new development and redevelopment.

II. AUTHORITY

The provisions of this Article are adopted pursuant to RSA 674:16, Grant of Power, RSA 674:17, Purposes of Zoning Ordinance, and RSA 674:21, Innovative Land Use Controls.

III. APPLICABILITY

The requirements of this article shall apply to all subdivisions platting new roads, commercial, single family and multi-family developments and redevelopments which disturb 15,000 square feet or more in all zoning district(s).

IV. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

All subdivisions, commercial, single family, duplex and multi-family developments and redevelopments which disturb 15,000 square feet or more shall submit a Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) with an application for subdivision or site plan review. The SMP, shall be prepared by a licensed New Hampshire, Professional Engineer, and shall address and comply with the requirements set forth herein and as specified by the Planning Board. The plan shall, at a minimum, include drainage and water quality reports indicating both pre-development, and proposed post-development, conditions, with a statement of comparison between pre-and post-development conditions. The plan shall be in conformance to the greatest extent possible with the design guidelines and principles set forth in the most recent edition of the NH Stormwater Manual.

V. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

All development activity must comply with the following provisions to reduce and properly manage stormwater post-development:

- A. There shall be no negative impact to water quality post-development from pre-development conditions.
- B. Post-development peak runoff rate and volume shall not exceed pre-development levels for a 25-year storm event.
- C. Stormwater management designs shall demonstrate that annual average pre-development groundwater recharge volume (GRV) is maintained post-development, when compared to pre-development conditions.
- D. For the purposes of calculating pre-development conditions, any site that was wooded in the last five (5)

years shall be treated as though the pre-development conditions are undisturbed woods.

- E. All applications for single family homes or duplexes which disturb 50% or more of the square footage of the lot shall submit a Stormwater Management Plan. This requirement may be waived by a majority vote of the Planning Board after a properly noticed meeting.
- F. All stormwater management plans shall include an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Plan for the system (prior to final approval of any permits) to ensure continued proper functioning of the system. Such O & M plan shall be recorded at the Registry of Deeds prior to issuance of any Certificates of Occupancy for the site(s). Guidance for the development of such a plan may be found in the New Hampshire Stormwater Manual.

VI. ENGINEERING REVIEW

- A. The applicant shall submit a fee, as determined by the Planning Board to cover the costs of outside engineering peer review of their proposed stormwater management plan(s), and other pertinent plans and documents, if deemed necessary by the Planning Board.
- B. Additional copies of all plans, engineering studies, and additional information as requested by the Planning Board shall be provided as necessary to allow for thorough outside engineering review.

VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective as of March 11, 2015.

Adopted at March 10, 2015, Annual Town Meeting.

Dated: March 13, 2015



R. Patrick Romprey, Chair of Lincoln Planning Board