

Appendix F7: Maintain Plan for Vegetated Portions of Drainage  
System, 2011



**MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR VEGETATED PORTIONS OF THE DRAINAGE  
SYSTEM USED FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL**

The Permittee shall implement practices that reduce the discharge of vegetation, pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers in vegetated portions of the drainage system used for erosion and sediment control. At a minimum the Permittee maintenance shall include following, but not limited to:

- 1) Implement educational activities and require permits, certifications, and other measures for municipal applicators and distributors;
- 2) Implement integrated pest management measures that rely on nonchemical solutions, including:
  - Use of native and climate appropriate plants (reduces water usage and fertilization)
  - Keeping clippings and leaves away from waterways and out of the street using mulching, composting, or landfilling;
  - Preventing application of pesticides and fertilizers when two or more consecutive days with greater than 50% chance of rainfall are predicted by National Weather Service (NWS);
  - Limiting or eliminating the use of herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers, including prohibiting application within ten (10) feet of pavement, twenty (20) feet of a storm drain inlet, or twenty (20) feet of a water body;
  - Implement schedules for chemical application that minimize the discharge of such constituents due to irrigation and expected precipitation; and
  - Reduce excessive cutting, clearing, or removal of vegetation to allow for greater pollutant removal while maintaining public safety concerns such as flooding and rodent control.
- 3) Collect and properly dispose of unused pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers;
- 4) Minimize irrigation run-off; and
- 5) Record the types and amounts of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers used.