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This guide references rule

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Chloride Management Plans

Importance:

Nine Mile Creek is highly polluted with chloride (salt) because we use too much salt in the winter on roads, parking lots, and sidewalks. The Chloride Management Plan is a requirement to try help curb salt use while not compromising public safety.

When is a Chloride Management Plan needed?

- NMCWD will tell you when one is needed in your Conditional Approval and Approval letters. Usually, it is projects that trigger Stormwater Management (Rule 4), excluding single family homes.
- Any requirement of a chloride management plan for a subdivision applies to the common areas, not private residences.

What is a Chloride Management Plan?

- NMCWD provides a template to fill out for the plan. It is available for download from <https://www.ninemilecreek.org/permits/>.
- Download the template. The plan requires you to read page 1, fill out page 2. It asks for information about the project, contact information for the permit applicant, contact for winter maintenance at site (likely property manager), an individual certified in MPCA's Smart Salting (see next page), and a copy of the person's Smart Salting certificate. The certified individual can be a contractor, or someone involved in property management.
- For entities (cities, etc.) that are MS4 permitted, NMCWD accepts a copy of the MS4 Permit in lieu of a normal chloride management plan.

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About MPCA Smart Salting:

- MPCA stands for Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, a state agency
- Smart Salting is a group of classes MPCA offers. Each take approximately 6 hours and ends with an exam for certification. The Chloride Management Plan only requires one person certified in one class. Options include Level 1 for roads or parking lots/sidewalks, Level 2 for organizations, and Property Management Certification.
- You can either: 1) get someone trained and certified or 2) hire someone who is already certified. If you already have someone certified, just add him/her as the Certified Individual on your Chloride Management Plan.
- Resources:
 - The training calendar is available here: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/smart-salting-training-calendar>
 - The lists of certified individuals and organizations is available to download here: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/smart-salting-training>
 - The description of each class is available here: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/smart-salting-training>
 - The Chloride Management Plan template is available to download here: <https://www.ninemilecreek.org/permits/>