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TO: Nine Mile Creek Watershed District Board of Managers

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RE: Permit & Water Resources Coordinator Report

Updates

• Large influx of permit applications post-Labor Day

- High level of closure of issues found on inspections
- November Inspection Report should be the first where inspection triage system is fully implemented
- Engaging a classmate who works in erosion control to gain a private sector perspective of what a change to biodegradable netting would bring
- October should slow down with permits and make room for advancement of ongoing projects

Continuing Activities

- Review and send permits as approved, including conditional and administrative approvals
- Intake and process materials from conditionally approved permits
- Progress the guidance document project
- Research on ways to require or endorse the use of natural net erosion blanket
- Work with Erica to make specific improvements to cost share grant program materials
- Higher volume of wetland reviews and site visits
- Push to remove many older, completed projects from the inspection queue
- Participation in new SWLRT group of nearby cities and watersheds

New Activities

- Starting to meet with city staff to discuss questions that have come up over the last year and understand their rules for stormwater and their needs for stormwater easements better
- Exploring possible draft of pre-winter communication to permit-holders regarding the activities needed before winter for erosion and sediment control

Upcoming Activities

- Meeting with engineers about GIS system benchmarking
- Graphic design of guidance documents