

COMMUNITY STORMWATER ORDINANCE REVIEW PROGRAM



STORMWATER & DEVELOPMENT

Effective management of stormwater runoff is crucial when planning community development. Poor runoff management can lead to heightened risks of flooding, erosion, and water pollution.

Stormwater ordinances, such as the Minimal Impact Design Standards (MIDS), encourage the utilization of green infrastructure to effectively decrease runoff volume and velocities. By doing so, they play a crucial role in safeguarding infrastructure and water quality by addressing the adverse impacts stemming from impervious surfaces.

NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

The Lower St. Croix Watershed Partnership has available funding to help communities evaluate and update their current stormwater management practices and ordinances.

This financial assistance will cover expenses related to community staff time, reviewing existing ordinances and assessing benefits of drafting MIDS ordinances, gathering public input, and implementing MIDS adoption.

PROGRAM SUMMARY:



RESEARCH AND EVALUATION

Communities will work with our team to assess existing stormwater management and evaluate the need for adopting MIDS.



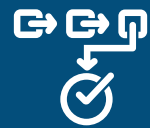
ORDINANCE DEVELOPMENT

We work with local staff to draft ordinance MIDS verbiage that outlines specific design standards, criteria, and guidelines to be followed by developers, engineers and other stakeholders.



PUBLIC INPUT AND REVIEW

Draft ordinances are made available for public review and input. Public hearings and meetings may be held to gather feedback.



ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

After making necessary revisions, the final MIDS ordinances are adopted by the community through legislative processes. The ordinances become binding regulations and are implemented in future development projects.