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**SUBJECT** Revised MS4 Permit Area Map

During the week of March 19, 2018, GDOT's MS4 program was inspected by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). An outcome of this inspection was an agreement to revise the MS4 permit area map. The revised map reduces the MS4 coverage area and is available for review at the footnote links 1 and 2 below.

The map revision is effective immediately and applies to all projects where a MS4 Post-Construction Stormwater Report has not been submitted to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources/Environmental Protection Division (EPD). Designers should cross-reference project limits with the new MS4 permit area map<sup>1</sup> to determine whether the permit requirements apply. If a project (or a portion of a project) is found to be outside of the revised MS4 permit area, a MS4 BMP may not be required.

The Office of Design Policy & Support, Water Resources Group will be contacting Project Managers to review projects that have submitted Post-Construction Stormwater Reports to EPD, but have not been let to construction yet; to validate the need for MS4 BMPs.

As a reference the Department's *MS4 Plan Development Process Chart* is provided in the footnote 3 link below. Additional guidance will be published in a future revision of the *GDOT Manual on Drainage Design for Highways*.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Brad McManus, P.E., at (404) 631-1630, [bmcmanus@dot.ga.gov](mailto:bmcmanus@dot.ga.gov), or Drew Martin, P.E., at (404) 631-1625, [dmartin@dot.ga.gov](mailto:dmartin@dot.ga.gov).

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<sup>1</sup> MicroStation (DGN) and Google Earth (kmz) files of the MS4 Permit Area Map are located on the R.O.A.D.S. website at the following address:  
[http://www.dot.ga.gov/PartnerSmart/DesignManuals/NPDES/MS4 Permitted Area Map\\_TMDL Stream Locator.zip](http://www.dot.ga.gov/PartnerSmart/DesignManuals/NPDES/MS4 Permitted Area Map_TMDL Stream Locator.zip)

<sup>2</sup> PDF file of the MS4 Permit Area Map is located on the R.O.A.D.S. website at the following address:  
<http://www.dot.ga.gov/PartnerSmart/DesignManuals/NPDES/MS4map.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> GDOT MS4 Plan Development Process (Pre-Construction) chart published on R.O.A.D.S. at  
<http://www.dot.ga.gov/PartnerSmart/DesignManuals/PDP/MS4%20Preconstruction%20PDP%20Process.pdf>