

Annual Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) Inspection Instructions:

- Inspection reports are due by May 1st annually
- Inspections must take place between February 1 and April 29 of the given year
- Inspections must be performed by a "qualified individual" as defined in the Bedford County Code of Ordinances (see below).
- Inspection forms for each type of BMP are provided on the Bedford County website (Natural Resources page)
- Completed inspection forms are to be accompanied by photos of each BMP (at least 1, but as many as required to show the important components of the BMP)
- Inspection forms and photos should be sent by mail to:

Bedford County Department of Community Development
Attn: Natural Resources Division
122 East Main Street, Suite G-03
Bedford, VA 24523

or

by email to: cross@bedfordcountyva.gov

Please contact Clay Ross, Natural Resources Specialist, with any questions.

Phone number: 540-586-7616

Email: cross@bedfordcountyva.gov

Please see the relevant excerpt from the Bedford County Code of Ordinances on the following pages.

Below is a portion of Section 7, Article II of the Bedford County Code of Ordinances

(e) Post-construction inspections of stormwater management facilities required by the provisions of this article and the recorded maintenance agreement shall be conducted by the owner and at the owner's cost pursuant to the locality's adopted and state board approved inspection program, and shall occur within the minimum frequencies shown in Table 1-11-1 following approval of the final construction record report for each stormwater facility.

Table 1-11-1

BMP Classification	BMP Type	Minimum Inspection Schedule	Notes
1	Rooftop Disconnection	Every 5 years	Owner shall inspect and provide documentation as per the requirements found on the Virginia Stormwater BMP Clearinghouse website and the Administrative Guidance Manual for BMPs with classifications 2, 3, and 4. The locality shall inspect all BMPs every 5 years.
1	Sheetflow to Vegetated Filter or Conserved Open Space	Every 5 years	
1	Grass Channel	Every 5 years	
1	Soil Amendments	Every 5 years	
2	Permeable Pavement	Annually	
2	Infiltration	Annually	
2	Bioretention	Annually	
2	Dry Swale	Annually	
2	Wet Swale	Annually	
2	Filtering Practice	Annually	
2	Constructed Wetland	Annually	
2	Wet Pond	Annually	
2	Extended Detention	Annually	
3	Vegetated Roof	Twice per year (Spring/Fall)	
3	Rainwater Harvesting	Twice per year (Spring/Fall)	
4	Manufactured/Other BMP	Yearly or per manufacturer recommendations, whichever is more frequent.	Owner shall inspect and provide documentation according to manufacturer's guidelines and the Administrative Guidance Manual.

(f) The owner shall furnish to the administrator an inspection report for BMPs within classifications 2, 3, and 4 as provided in Table 1-11-11 prepared by a qualified inspector within the timeframe listed in Table 1-11-1. This report shall include, but not be limited to, the items listed in Table 1-11-1, current photographs of the BMP, and a summary of the current BMP condition and any recommendations for improvements, if necessary.

(g) Qualified inspection personnel include professional engineer, architect, landscape architect, or land surveyor registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia or project inspector for SWM or combined administrator for SWM who have met the certification requirements of 9VAC25-850-50.