

## IDEM Report

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- **Audits:**

Staci Goodwin has started to schedule audits related to Good Housekeeping and also the Public Education and Public Involvement. The stormwater specialists will continue to audit the Construction Site Run-off and Post-construction Minimum Control Measures (MCMs). These will be scheduled beginning in late May. Several staff have a considerable number of MS4s in their region and others only have a small number. There will be the possibility that I will assigning staff to complete these activities outside their assigned regions.

- **Transition of General Permit Rules:** Rule making is currently under way in preparation for the transition. The status of the permits are as follows:

- **Construction Site Run-off:** IDEM has received a non-objection letter from EPA. Next step will be to public notice the permit and take comments. However, at this time the plan will be to complete this overall process of issuance in conjunction with the MS4 permit.
- **MS4 Permit:** EPA has given their initial comments on the draft permit. The advisory group has met and been through the entire permit. The next step will be for IDEM to incorporate the comments from those meetings and then send the draft permit out with the changes. At least one additional meeting will be scheduled to discuss the revisions (date to be determined).

*Note: at this time, IDEM plans to public notice the construction and MS4 permit concurrently, but a date has not been set.*

- **Industrial Stormwater Permit:** Staff is working on a draft of the industrial Stormwater permit.

- **Database Development:** The construction Stormwater program recently completed a pilot project to develop a new online system that will allow applicants seeking permit coverage under 327 IAC 15-5 to submit online Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans, NOIs and NOTs and manage their projects online. The new database has been live and used internally since April 1. The system is currently available to the public. We plan to begin a media campaign beginning with the MS4 meeting.

- **Staffing Update:**

One of the vacant stormwater positions has been filled and I am in the process of filling the second vacancy. On May 6, 2019, Emily Rubin joined the Wetlands and Stormwater Section. Emily is a graduate of Purdue University. At this time she has not been assigned a region. During the interim she will be going through training.