

Storm Water Cost-Share and Technical Assistance Programs

In addition to performing as the lead entity for storm water regulatory compliance (e.g., complying with U.S. EPA Storm Water Phase II Rule) and as part of its commitment to meeting the needs of Northern Kentucky through effective storm water management, SD1 has developed various cost-share and technical assistance programs to provide regional storm water management services in partnership with its partner cities and counties (Co-Permittees) pursuant to Interlocal Agreements and Storm Water Infrastructure Transfer Agreements.

Each fiscal year (Jul 01 – Jun 30) SD1 will allocate a specific amount to fund these assistance programs, depending on the overall priorities of the utility. SD1 will consider the total number of anticipated applications for each program and the benefits these projects provide as factors in determining the annual budget and the reimbursement percentage (if applicable) for each program. There is no guarantee on the amount of funds budgeted each year.

The programs outlined below are available only to Co-Permittees and are applicable to different types of storm water projects. To apply for any of the programs listed below, complete the Storm Water Assistance Application. All projects must receive approval prior to commencement.

Public Cost-Share Program

This program is for new storm water infrastructure that addresses drainage issues: (1) associated with a dedicated and accepted right-of-way; (2) impacting a right-of-way; or (3) caused by or related to public infrastructure drainage. The projects under this program shall strive to meet all regulations governing development, including Q-critical and provide a level service to the maximum extent practicable based upon existing conditions, spatial limitations and costs. SD1 reserves the right to reject the application if there is significant downstream impacts from the new storm water infrastructure without any planned mitigation. Upon satisfactory completion of the project, SD1 assumes ownership of the new infrastructure and reimburses the Co-Permittee a certain percentage of the project cost – currently 50 percent.

Public Culvert Cost-Share Program

This program is for public culverts owned and maintained by Co-Permittees that are associated with a dedicated right-of-way in the storm water service area and are in need of capital improvement such as repair or replacement. The program does not apply to maintenance-related activities. Upon satisfactory completion of the culvert project, ownership and maintenance responsibility remains with the Co-Permittee and SD1 reimburses the Co-Permittee a certain percentage of the project cost – currently 50 percent.

Technical Assistance Program

Through this program SD1 provides engineering and planning-level assistance (i.e. concept-level studies) to Co-Permittees when communities need help identifying problems and/or potential solutions to storm water-related issues. This is not for detailed construction design, but merely for identifying planning-level solutions when a simple improvement or other solution is not apparent.

SD1 also has a program aimed at assisting Co-Permittees in situations where addressing private property drainage issues may be in the public interest. Not all projects will be eligible for the program, and requests for more information should be made to a Co-Permittee city or county.

Application Submittal

Completed Requests for Assistance may be emailed to info@sd1.org and cc sblake@sd1.org or submitted to:

Sanitation District No. 1
1045 Eaton Drive
Ft. Wright, KY 41017
Attn: Sean Blake