

March 06, 2026

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
Stormwater Team Leader (MC-148)  
P.O. Box 13087  
Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Re: Phase II MS4 Annual Report Transmittal for The University of Texas System MS4  
TPDES Authorization: TXR040683

Dear Team Leader:

This letter serves to transmit the required annual report for the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System General Permit, Authorization Number TXR040683 for The University of Texas System MS4.

The annual report is for Year 5. The reporting period's beginning January 01, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.

A separate Notice of Change has not been submitted based on the fact that changes have not been proposed for the next permit year.

As required by the general permit, a copy of the report has been mailed to the TCEQ's regional office 07 in Midland, Texas.

Sincerely,

Lail Grant  
Director, Environmental Health & Safety

# Phase II (Small) MS4 Annual Report Form

TPDES General Permit Number TXR040000

## A. General Information

Authorization Number: TXR040683

Reporting Year (year will be either 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5): 5

Annual Reporting Year Option Selected by MS4:

Calendar Year:  X

Permit Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Fiscal Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Last day of fiscal year: (N/A)

Reporting period beginning date: (month/date/year) 01/01/2023

Reporting period end date: (month/date/year) 12/31/2023

MS4 Operator Level: 2 Name of MS4: The University of Texas System MS4

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A copy of the annual report was submitted to the TCEQ Region: YES  X NO \_\_\_\_\_

Region the annual report was submitted to: TCEQ Region Midland 07

## B. Status of Compliance with the MS4 GP and SWMP

1. Provide information on the status of complying with permit conditions:  
(TXR040000 Part IV.B.2)

	Yes	No	Explain
Permittee is currently in compliance with the SWMP as submitted to and approved by the TCEQ.	X		
Permittee is currently in compliance with recordkeeping and reporting requirements.	X		

Permittee meets the eligibility requirements of the permit (e.g., TMDL requirements, Edwards Aquifer limitations, compliance history, etc.).	X		
Permittee conducted an annual review of its SWMP in conjunction with preparation of the annual report	X		

2. Provide a general assessment of the appropriateness of the selected BMPs. You may use the table below to meet this requirement (**see Example 1 in instructions**):

<b>MCM(s)</b>	<b>BMP</b>	<b>BMP is appropriate for reducing the discharge of pollutants in stormwater (Answer Yes or No and explain)</b>
1/1: Public Education, Outreach and Involvement	Flyers or Brochures	Yes, helps community become aware of stormwater discharge regulations.
1/2: Public Education, Outreach and Involvement	Public Website	Yes, helps community become aware of stormwater discharge regulations as well as provide contact information for public feedback.
1/3: Public Education, Outreach and Involvement	Community Cleanup Events	Yes, staff and students were tasked with collecting litter, this reduces trash found in retention areas and drains.
2/1: Illicit Discharge Determination and Elimination	Litter Collection	Yes, daily litter collection is required per grounds contract.
2/2: Illicit Discharge Determination and Elimination	Illicit Discharge Legal Authority	Yes, response to complaints of non-storm water and illegal dumping of waste products, including on-site sanitary sewer overflows, to the MS4.  to the MS4.
2/3: Illicit Discharge Determination and Elimination	Maintain the MS4 Map and Outfall Inventory	Yes, helps keep track of new inlets and outfalls. Maps are crucial in determining potentially impacted outfalls in the event of a discharge and for preventive maintenance.

2/4: Illicit Discharge Determination and Elimination	Hazardous Material Response	Yes, response to spills helps mitigate releases of pollutants into the MS4.
3/1: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control	Construction Site Inspection	Yes, while the construction projects maintain their own SWMP, our inspections provide an additional level of accountability.
3/2: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control	Construction Plans Review	Yes, reviews have helped identify problems before they become issues or violations and allow us to confirm that BMPs are included in construction plans.
3/3: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control	Regulatory Mechanism Review	Yes, requires contractors to have erosion and sediment controls and related measure in accordance with construction site runoff control measures.
3/4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control	Community Submitted Information	Yes, allows community to submit concerns regarding construction site and activities that could impact storm water quality.
4/1: Post Construction Storm Water Management in Areas of New Development and Redevelopment	Long Term Operation and Maintenance	Yes, inspections and maintenance of currently installed structural controls for reduces and prevents stormwater pollution.
4/2: Post Construction Storm Water Management in Areas of New Development and Redevelopment	Post-Construction Structural/Non-Structural Controls	Yes, development of a list of non-structural pollution prevention measures and then training for personnel reduces and prevents stormwater pollution.
5/1: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Litter Collection	Yes, daily litter collection is required per grounds contract.

5/2: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Waste Collected During Maintenance of Storm Water Structural Controls	Yes, proper disposal of waste collected as a result of maintenance prevents any pollution to the stormwater drains.
5/3: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Training	Yes, training ensures employees know how to properly address spills and makes them knowledgeable of the regulations and requirements of our permit, employees have reported minor automobile releases that were addressed before any rain or stormwater event
5/4: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Spill Prevention Plan	Yes, spill prevention controls have been put in place at at-risk drains as a result of the spill prevention plan review. Maintaining and updating the Spill Prevention Plan ensures that we stop problems before they start.
5/5: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Contractor Oversight	Yes, through pre-project meetings and strict oversight, we can work to stop discharges before they occur.
5/6: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations	Stormwater Management Controls	Yes, by identifying pollutants of concerns reduces the risk of stormwater pollution.

3. Describe progress towards achieving the goal of reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP. If no progress was made or the BMP did not result in a reduction in pollutants, provide an explanation. Use the table below to meet this requirement (**see Example 2 in instructions**):

MCM	BMP	Information Used	Quantity	Units	Does the BMP Demonstrate a Direct Reduction in Pollutants? (Answer Yes or No and explain)
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1	1	Flyer Distribution	720	Flyers	No, Public education demonstrates an indirect reduction of pollutants, by giving the public the knowledge needed to make wise decisions about pollutants discharge
1	3	Cleanup Events	1	Events	Yes, cleanup events demonstrate a direct reduction in pollutants. Debris and litter were directly removed from drains and outfalls, preventing it from reaching surface waters.
2	1	Litter Collection	303	Events	Yes, litter collection demonstrates a direct reduction in pollutants. Debris and litter were directly removed from drains and outfalls, preventing it from reaching surface waters.
2	4	Hazardous Material Response	0	Response events	Yes, direct and immediate response to discharge events prevents contaminants from entering the stormwater system. If the stormwater system is impacted, immediate and appropriate response can prevent downstream damages.
3	1	Construction Site Inspection	22	Inspections	Yes, weekly checks of construction sites ensures that BMPs are maintained by the contractor and illicit discharges are prevented or caught early.
5	1	Litter Collection	303	Events	Yes, litter collection demonstrates a direct reduction in pollutants. Debris and litter were directly removed from drains and outfalls, preventing it from reaching surface waters.
5	2	Maintenance	5	Work Orders	Yes, work orders serve as a tracking system for maintenance of the stormwater system. Prompt correction of deficiencies prevents pollution.

5	3	Training	2	Events	No, Training demonstrates an indirect reduction of pollutants. By informing campus staff about the importance of maintaining the MS4 we can prevent pollution before it happens.
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4. Provide the measurable goals for each of the MCMs, and an evaluation of the success of the implementation of the measurable goals (**see Example 3 in instructions**):

<b>MCM(s)</b>	<b>Measurable Goal(s)</b>	<b>Explain progress toward goal or how goal was achieved. If goal was not accomplished, please explain.</b>
1	Provide pamphlet to 50% of students and parent in orientation packets.	Complete. Pamphlets were included in all orientation packets.
1	MS4 Annual report will be uploaded to website annually.	In progress, as of the date of this report.
1	Hold at least two community cleanup events.	Complete.
2	Collect litter covering 590 acres.	Complete. Litter was collected daily by Physical Plant staff.
2	Research existing policies, procedures, and enforcement mechanisms that prohibit specific types of illicit discharges.	Complete.

2	Develop supplemental policies, procedures, and enforcement mechanisms, as determined necessary, to prohibit illicit discharges to the MS4.	Complete.
2	Identify all new outfalls and drainage structures added during construction activities. Ensure the map is up-to-date.	Complete, no new outfalls or drainage structures were identified. Map remains up to date.
2	Document 100% of all hazardous material incidents responded to.	Complete, no hazardous material incidents occurred.
3	Inspect 50% of construction sites.	Complete, maintained operational integrity.
3	Document performance and maintain records of construction site inspections, compliance notes, and enforcement actions.	Complete. No enforcement actions occurred.
3	Review 90% of plans submitted.	Complete.

3	Develop and provide training to University staff regarding the construction plans review process.	Complete. Online training is conducted of facility workers, police department, and EHS staff.
3	Develop and implement revised contract language if needed to require erosion and sediment controls and related compliance measures in accordance with construction site runoff control measures.	Complete. The UT System language for all SWPPP programs was used.
3	Develop and implement policies and procedures to receive and consider information related to construction sites and construction activities that relate to possible impacts to storm water quality.	Complete.
3	Identify the number of times information is submitted by the campus community.	Complete.

4	Develop the list of structural BMPs currently in place at the University.	Complete.
4	Document 100% of additional structural and non-structural BMPs.	Complete, no additional erosion control projects were needed.
4	Document 100% of inspections.	Complete.
4	Train 20 % of Physical Plant and document at least two trainings.	Complete, 100% trained.
5	Document daily litter collection. Ensure 100% of waste is disposed of properly.	Complete.
5	Ensure 100% of waste is disposed of properly.	Complete.
5	Train 100% of staff. Document trainings. Train at least ten employees.	Complete, all necessary Physical Plant employees were trained.
5	Document number of employees trained.	Complete.
5	Document 100% of spills occurring on campus and implementation of the SPCC.	Complete.

5	Document all pre-construction meetings.	Complete.
5	Document 100% of pollution runoff and corrective actions.	Complete.
5	Maintain 100% of stormwater structural controls inventory. Identify all pollutants.	Complete.

### C. Stormwater Data Summary

Provide a summary of all information used, including any lab results (if sampling was conducted) to assess the success of the SWMP at reducing the discharge of pollutants to the MEP. For example, did the MS4 conduct visual inspections, clean the inlets, look for illicit discharge, clean streets, look for flow during dry weather, etc.?

### D. Impaired Waterbodies

1. Identify whether an impaired water within the permitted area was added to the latest EPA-approved 303(d) list or the Texas Integrated Report of Surface Water Quality for CWA Sections 305(b) and 303(d). List any newly-identified impaired waters below by including the name of the water body and the cause of impairment. **N/A**
2. If applicable, explain below any activities taken to address the discharge to impaired waterbodies, including any sampling results and a summary of the small MS4's BMPs used to address the pollutant of concern. **N/A**
3. Describe the implementation of targeted controls if the small MS4 discharges to an impaired water body with an approved TMDL. **N/A**

4. Report the benchmark identified by the MS4 and assessment activities:

<b>Benchmark Parameter</b> <i>(Ex: Total Suspended Solids)</i>	<b>Benchmark Value</b>	<b>Description of additional sampling or other assessment activities</b>	<b>Year(s) conducted</b>
N/A			

5. Provide an analysis of how the selected BMPs will be effective in contributing to achieving the benchmark:

<b>Benchmark Parameter</b>	<b>Selected BMP</b>	<b>Contribution to achieving Benchmark</b>
N/A		

6. If applicable, report on focused BMPs to address impairment for bacteria:

Description of bacteria-focused BMP	Comments/Discussion
N/A	

7. Assess the progress to determine BMP’s effectiveness in achieving the benchmark.

For example, the MS4 may use the following benchmark indicators:

- number of sources identified or eliminated;
- number of illegal dumpings;
- increase in illegal dumping reported;
- number of educational opportunities conducted;
- reductions in sanitary sewer flows (SSOs); /or
- increase in illegal discharge detection through dry screening.

Benchmark Indicator	Description/Comments
N/A	

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### E. Stormwater Activities

Describe activities planned for the next reporting year:

MCM(s)	BMP	Stormwater Activity	Description/Comments
3	1-3	New Construction	The UTPB Bright Star Memorial construction began and will continue through 2025.
4	4-6	New Construction	The UTPB Bright Star Memorial construction began and will continue through 2025.

### F. SWMP Modifications

1. The SWMP and MCM implementation procedures are reviewed each year.

Yes  No

2. Changes have been made or are proposed to the SWMP since the NOI or the last annual report, including changes in response to TCEQ’s review.

Yes  No

If “Yes,” report on changes made to measurable goals and BMPs:

MCM(s)	Measurable Goal(s) or BMP(s)	Implemented or Proposed Changes (Submit NOC as needed)
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<b>BMP</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Implementation Schedule (start date, etc.)</b>	<b>Status/Completion Date (completed, in progress, not started)</b>
<b>N/A</b>			

## H. Additional Information

1. Is the permittee relying on another entity to satisfy any permit obligations?

Yes  No

If "Yes," provide the name(s) of other entities and an explanation of their responsibilities (add more spaces or pages if needed).

Name and Explanation:

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2.a. Is the permittee part of a group sharing a SWMP with other entities?

Yes  No

2.b. If "yes," is this a system-wide annual report including information for all permittees?

Yes  No

If "Yes," list all associated authorization numbers, permittee names, and SWMP responsibilities of each member (add additional spaces or pages if needed):

Authorization Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Permittee: \_\_\_\_\_

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## I. Construction Activities

1. The number of construction activities that occurred in the jurisdictional area of the MS4 (Large and Small Site Notices submitted by construction site operators):

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_

2a. Does the permittee utilize the optional seventh MCM related to construction?

Yes  No

2b. If "yes," then provide the following information for this permit year:

<b>The number of municipal construction activities authorized under this general permit</b>	
The total number of acres disturbed for municipal construction projects	<b>N/A</b>

**Note:** Though the seventh MCM is optional, implementation must be requested on the NOI or on a NOC and approved by the TCEQ.

## J. Certification

If this is this a system-wide annual report including information for all permittees, each permittee shall sign and certify the annual report in accordance with 30 TAC §305.128 (relating to Signatories to Reports).

*I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.*

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Lail Grant \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_ Director, EHS \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of MS4 \_\_\_\_\_ The University of Texas System MS4 \_\_\_\_\_

**If you have questions on how to fill out this form or about the Stormwater Permitting program, please contact us at 512-239-4671.**

Individuals are entitled to request and review their personal information that the agency gathers on its forms. They may also have any errors in their information corrected. To review such information, contact us at 512-239-3282.