

# Stormwater Inspections & Maintenance

## Recommendations by Month

### January: Winter Inspections.

- Sweep/clean permeable pavements
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- Spot check within 24 hours of a storm or large rain event
- Ensure infiltration of BMPs
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### March: Prepare for Spring Cleaning.

- Address any observed issues from winter months right away
- Clean up all sites (remove trash, sediment, debris accumulation)
- Replace broken or damages trash racks and facility covers
- Check condition of underground vault media filters (visual inspection only)

### April: Spring Cleaning.

- Consider manual cattail removal in ponds while ground is saturated
- Check your mulch levels and splash pads
- Reseed or replant any bare spots and address any erosion concerns
- Remove and replace any dead and dying plants

### May: Prepare for Summer.

- Systems enter more dormant stage with light rainfall/drainage
- Mow dry ponds, ditches and swales as needed
- Pest control as needed

### June: Dry Month Maintenance.

- Mow dry ponds, ditches and swales as needed
- Pest control as needed
- Pull tree saplings & maintain plants in facilities

### July: Dry Month Maintenance.

- Mow dry ponds, ditches and swales as needed
- Be considerate of nesting birds in your pond(s)
- Consider hiring a certified applicator for noxious weed control/treatment as needed

### August: Complete System Inspections.

- Submit annual inspection form by August 31<sup>st</sup> to the appropriate jurisdiction
- Be considerate of nesting birds in your pond(s)
- Remove trash throughout facilities
- Mow dry ponds, ditches and swales regularly

### September: Prepare for Water Season.

- Be considerate of nesting birds in your pond(s)
- Remove trash throughout facilities
- Remove out-of-control vegetation growth, especially invasive plants

### October: Water Season Begins.

- Consider manual cattail removal in ponds while ground is saturated
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### November: Ready all Systems for Winter.

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- Review all contracts and ensure scope of work completion

**Disclaimer:** These are ONLY recommendations. This calendar is a set of general reminders & is NOT a replacement for the Drainage Manual or facility checklists. Plan for unexpected and potentially extreme seasonal variation.

