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## LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AMS	Asset Management System
BMP	Best Management Practice
CASQA	California Stormwater Quality Association
DOH	State of Hawaii Department of Health
HDOT	Hawaii Department of Transportation, Oahu District
kg/yr	Kilogram per year
MEP	Maximum Extent Practicable
MS4	Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System
No.	Number
NOI	Notice of Intent
NOV	Notice of Violation
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
SIS	Site Investigation Sheet
SOP	Standard Operating Procedures
SWMP	Storm Water Management Program
SWPCP	Storm Water Pollution Control Plan
SWPPP	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan
TMDL	Total Maximum Daily Load

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This *Program Effectiveness Strategy* is submitted to satisfy Part G.1.d of the Hawaii Department of Transportation, Oahu District (HDOT) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. HI S000001, effective September 1, 2020 (hereinafter MS4 NPDES Permit). The MS4 NPDES Permit Part G.1.d requires HDOT to submit to the State of Hawaii, Department of Health (DOH) a written strategy for determining the effectiveness of the Storm Water Management Program (SWMP) as a part of its *Storm Water Management Program Plan*.

MS4 NPDES Permit Part G Reporting Requirements:

*Part G.1.d Program Effectiveness Reporting – As part of the SWMP, the Permittee shall submit to DOH a written strategy for determining effectiveness of its SWMP. The strategy shall incorporate the results of water quality monitoring efforts (see Part G.2.) as well as program implementation information and other indicators. The Permittee shall include an assessment of program effectiveness and identification of water quality improvements or degradation beginning with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Report.*

The *Program Effectiveness Strategy* reflects the evolution from a compliance-based approach by HDOT to one where systematic program enhancements are made with a method for determining program effectiveness. This document introduces and discusses key concepts, and defines standard terminology used in developing the comprehensive framework to assess the effectiveness of the SWMP. Furthermore, this document outlines the approach that HDOT utilizes to adaptively manage the SWMP to improve effectiveness of Best Management Practices (BMPs) in reducing pollutants of concern, thereby achieving the maximum extent practicable (MEP) standard and the protection of water quality.

## 2. STRATEGY

The Program Effectiveness Strategy incorporates elements of the California Stormwater Quality Association (CASQA) guidance documents, *A Strategic Approach to Planning for and Assessing the Effectiveness of Stormwater Programs* (2015) and *An Introduction to Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment* (2007). The approach is built on CASQA's Outcome Levels framework, assessment methods, analytical methods, and targeted outcomes.

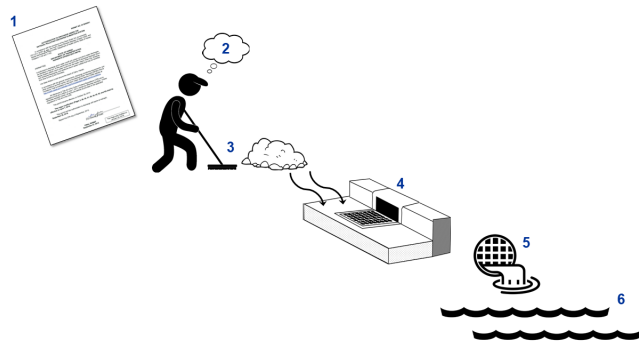
### 2.1 Storm Water Outcome Levels

The ultimate goal of any SWMP is water quality improvement, and the Outcome Levels reflect the relationship between an activity and its effect on water quality. Assessment outcomes are grouped into six levels and represent a gradation from activity-based to water-quality based outcomes. The Outcome Levels consist of:

- (1) *Permit Compliance*
- (2) *Knowledge and Awareness*
- (3) *Behavioral Changes*
- (4) *Load Reductions*
- (5) *MS4 Discharge Quality*
- (6) *Receiving Water Quality*

The Outcome Levels may generally be seen as degrees of separation from tangible water quality benefits and assessments should be conducted at the highest Outcome Level supported by data.

In general, Levels 1 through 4 may be considered *Indirect Outcomes*, as these outcomes are often assigned to implementation activities that may have a correlation with water quality improvement and serve as a proxy for water quality, but have no direct causal relationship. Levels 4 through 6 are considered *Direct Outcomes* as these outcomes demonstrate a direct, measurable effect on water quality.



Gradation of activity-based to water-quality based outcomes: Outcome Levels 1 through 6.

Note that Outcome Level 4 may be considered either an Indirect or Direct Outcome, as in certain situations a causal relationship may be established between a Level 4 outcome and water quality benefits.

Also note that each Outcome Level has value in informing management decisions, and the achievement of Outcome Level 6 may not be possible for every control measure. For example, in many instances Outcome Levels 2 or 3 may be sufficient for the effectiveness evaluation of outreach or training program implementation.

**Outcome Level 1: Permit Compliance.** Many program activities are conducted as a direct requirement of the MS4 NPDES Permit and therefore, Level 1 outcomes may take the form of a simple yes/no answer. Examples include developing a *Public Education and Outreach Plan* or maintaining an inventory of construction sites. Level 1 outcomes are assumed to be beneficial to water quality, but are not considered Direct Outcomes as it lacks the causal effect to support this assumption.

**Outcome Level 2: Knowledge and Awareness.** Outcomes at this level gauge whether educational efforts are progressing toward changes in knowledge and awareness. Measuring these outcomes is achieved through various methods including surveys and quizzes; and may be inferred through observation of public involvement such as counting the number of website visits, social media impressions, training attendees, and number of connections permits issued. Similar to Outcome Level 1, Level 2 outcomes are assumed to be beneficial to water quality but are considered Indirect Outcomes.

**Outcome Level 3: Behavioral Changes.** Level 3 outcomes measure the effectiveness of programs in motivating target audiences to change their behaviors and implement appropriate BMPs. These behavioral changes are tracked using surveys (e.g., public education surveys), site inspections (e.g., number of construction site deficiencies), and tabulating changes in program involvement (e.g., percentage of commercial facilities conducting corrective actions on time). Outcomes at Level 3 are considered Indirect Outcomes.

**Outcome Level 4: Load Reductions.** Outcomes at Level 4 quantify reductions in pollutant loads from sources after a BMP has been implemented. These outcomes include load reductions such as debris collected from street sweeping, volume of trash removed from Adopt-A-Highway, and volume of discharge prevented by implementing spill prevention and response procedures. Outcome Level 4 data should be analyzed temporally to provide feedback on the effectiveness of BMPs implemented. As a causal relationship between load reductions and water quality improvements may or may not be identified, Level 4 outcomes may either be considered an Indirect Outcome or Direct Outcome.

**Outcome Level 5: MS4 Discharge Quality.** The primary goal of the SWMP is to reduce pollutants in storm water runoff to the MEP, and ensure that discharges do not cause or contribute to exceedances in water quality standards in receiving waters. As such, Level 5

outcomes are the most direct measure of program effectiveness and are considered a Direct Outcome. Level 5 outcomes measure reductions in one or more pollutant of concern discharging from the HDOT MS4.

**Outcome Level 6: Receiving Water Quality.** Level 6 outcomes may be expressed through compliance with regulatory benchmarks or water quality standards, Total Maximum Daily Load implementation, protection of biological integrity, and other monitoring assessments. Receiving water quality is dependent on a watershed approach and relies upon partnerships with other agencies, land owners, and stakeholders, and may take years to establish a reliable data set.

## 2.2 Data Collection

The Outcome Level descriptions in Section 2.1 identify several methods for data collection. Data collection and subsequent analysis are important to consider in the design of Enhanced BMPs. The term *Enhanced BMP* is utilized throughout this document to identify a practice or program that is systematically targeted for improvement. Examples of enhancements include increasing the frequency of an activity, revising a practice, implementing a new training, or updating a plan.

A variety of data collection approaches and assessment methods are available to evaluate the performance of BMPs implementation activities, program elements, and short- and long-term goals.

Data collection methods may be broadly categorized into the following approaches provided by CASQA, as shown in Table 1.

**Table 1. Approach to Data Collection (CASQA, 2007).**

APPROACH TO DATA COLLECTION (CASQA, 2007)	
APPROACH	DESCRIPTION
Confirmation	<p>This approach consists of documenting whether an activity or task has been completed. This is often expressed as a positive or negative outcome.</p> <p>This assessment method should be exclusively used for Outcome Level 1 activities.</p>
Tabulation	<p>Tabulation is a simple accounting method and may be expressed in both absolute numbers and in relative percentages.</p> <p>Tabulations is a common assessment method and useful for Outcome Levels 1 through 3.</p>
Surveying	<p>Surveying is comprised of a variety of methods, including interviews designed to discern the knowledge, attitudes, awareness, or behaviors of a target audience.</p> <p>Surveys are applicable for Outcome Levels 2 and 3.</p>
Quantification	<p>Quantification applies to efforts to quantify reductions in loading or runoff discharges.</p> <p>Quantification is most applicable to Outcome Levels 4 through 6.</p>
Inspections	<p>Site inspections and audits are common tools used to verify compliance or gather additional data by observations, record reviews, and sampling.</p> <p>Inspections are commonly used for Outcome Levels 3 through 5.</p>
Reporting	<p>Reporting includes receipt of implementation, compliance, or other assessment-related information by external parties.</p>
Monitoring	<p>Monitoring is the measurement of environmental or water quality conditions. Monitoring may be achieved through sampling or through observation.</p> <p>Monitoring methods apply exclusively at Outcome Levels 4 through 6.</p>

## 2.3 Data Analysis

Data analysis involves the selection of the appropriate analytical method to evaluate the effectiveness of an Enhanced BMP.

A common mistake that can severely limit the explanatory value of the data is the failure to identify specific analytical approaches up front. Specificity is critical, and the choice of the analytical method may dictate what specific metrics to use, how the data may be collected, and the quality of the results. Analytical methods may be qualitative or quantitative, but all outcomes should have one analytical method associated with them.

CASQA provides these general approaches to data analysis.

**Table 2. Approach to Data Analysis (CASQA, 2015).**

APPROACH TO DATA ANALYSIS (CASQA, 2015)	
Qualitative Assessment	Confirmation: Confirmation (Yes/No) that a program activity was in operation during the year or that a plans or materials were made available. Completion: Confirmation (Yes/No) a specific task was completed.
Descriptive Statistics	Numbers that are used to summarize and describe data. This includes statistical counts, averages, and variance.
Comparison to Reference Points	Comparison to an established reference point includes established targets such as benchmarks, waste load allocations, water quality standards, and targeted outcomes; or other reference points such as other MS4 programs, previous results, baseline values, etc.
Temporal Change	The most general goal of trend analysis is to look at data over time to discern whether or not a given indicator has increased or decreased over time, and if it has, how quickly or slowly the increase or decrease has occurred.
Spatial Analysis	Spatial analysis allows comparisons between watersheds or other geographic areas. The ability to conduct spatial analysis is generally limited by the availability or appropriate data for spatial characteristics.

## 2.4 Targeted Outcomes

Establishing targeted outcomes will identify desired changes and the specific strategies to develop to achieve those changes. Targeting creates a context for establishing measurability, interpreting results, and evaluating success over time. The upfront identification of applicable data requirements will ensure that outcomes are measurable and can be analyzed once resultant data is available.

Deciding on where to set the targeted outcomes is challenging. Management questions form the basis for the types of data that must be gathered and evaluated. The types of questions to formulate include evaluating relationships of data between Outcome Levels and/or in relation to geospatial area, land use, target audience, or time interval.

CASQA provides these general elements to consider in establishing a targeted outcome.

Table 3. Approach to Establishing Targeted Outcomes (CASQA, 2015).

APPROACH TO ESTABLISHING TARGETED OUTCOMES (CASQA, 2015)	
ELEMENTS	EXAMPLES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>direction</b> of change.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase or decrease</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>nature</b> of the outcome.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hotline calls received, chemical concentration</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>metric</b> (magnitude + unit) of the change.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 people, 50%, 3.0 mg/L, 30 lbs.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>reference point</b> from which change is measured.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Existing or baseline levels, previous results, results at another location</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>timeframe</b> for achieving the change. This may include time elapsed or a period of time.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hours, days, months, years, reporting period, permit cycle</li> </ul>

When crafting a targeted outcome statement, start with a general outcome statement then add specifics as follows:

[Direction] in [Nature] by [Metric] over [Reference Point] by [Timeframe].

For example, a targeted outcome for the Industrial and Commercial Program Training *Enhanced BMP* could be as follows:

[Increase] in [test results from Training] to [80% score average] by [end of the permit term].

### 3. METHODOLOGY AND APPROACH

In applying the *Program Effectiveness Strategy* to BMPs enhancements, HDOT seeks to establish a methodological approach that considers the data collection and analysis needs during the initial design. Establishing whether BMPs meet the MEP criteria is feasible only if sound design creates a feedback mechanism on effectiveness.

The methodology is a systematic approach to evaluate BMPs for enhancement and subsequently assess its effectiveness. The BMP evaluation is a three-part exercise to: (1) assign Outcome Levels to existing BMPs; (2) select Program BMPs to enhance; and (3) establish targeted outcomes based on identified assessment parameters.

#### 3.1 Assign Outcome Levels

First, HDOT completed a comprehensive review of the existing BMPs implemented. For each BMP, HDOT assigned an Outcome Level, selected the data collection method, and identified the assessment parameters for analysis.

The following tables detail the BMP evaluations for each program.

**Table 4. Public Education and Outreach Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Public Ed & Outreach BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.a D.1.a.(1) D.1.a.(2)	Public Education and Outreach Plan	(1) Permit Compliance  (2) Knowledge and Awareness  (4) Load Reduction	Completion  Tabulation  Quantification	Permit compliance  Number of: Website visits Followers and likes on social media Students presented to Activity books distributed Event attendees Materials distributed  No. of volunteer groups Cubic yards trash removed
D.1.a.(3)	Evaluation Methods	(3) Behavioral Changes	Survey	Average behavior score

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Public Ed & Outreach BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.b	Storm Water Management Plan	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
A.6	Public Review and Comment	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance

**Table 5. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	IDDE BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
<i>D.1.c.(1)</i>	Connection Permits	(1) Permit Compliance	Tabulation	No. of connection permits issued
<i>D.1.c.(2)</i>	Outfall Field Screening	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Percentage of outfalls with identified dry weather flows
<i>D.1.c.(3)</i>	Tracking Illegal Connections, Illicit Discharges, and Spills	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
<i>D.1.c.(4)</i>	Investigation of Illegal Connections and Illicit Discharges	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	No. of complaints investigated
<i>D.1.c.(5)</i>	Enforcement Policy	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Enforcement on-time response percentage
<i>D.1.c.(6)</i>	Spill Prevention and Response	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Gallons of discharge prevented from entering MS4
<i>D.1.c.(7)</i>	Household Hazardous Waste Disposal	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
<i>D.1.h.(1)</i>	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation Survey	No. of training attendees Average quiz score

**Table 6. Construction Site Runoff Control Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	IDDE BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.d.(1)	Construction BMP Implementation	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.d.(2)	Inventory of Construction Sites	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
D.1.d.(3)	Plan Review and Permitting	See Outcome Levels and Assessment Parameters below.		
D.1.d.(3)(i) D.1.d.(3)(ii)	Project Plan Review and Approval	(3) Behavioral Changes	D.1.d.(3)(i) D.1.d.(3)(ii)	No. of Project Plans Reviewed
D.1.d.(3)(ii)	Permitting	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	D.1.d.(3)(ii)	No. of Permits Issued
D.1.d.(3)(iv)	Plan Review Checklist	(1) Permit Compliance	D.1.d.(3)(iv)	Permit Compliance
D.1.d.(4)	Inspections	See Outcome Levels and Assessment Parameters below.		
D.1.d.(4)(i)	Initial Inspections	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	No. of initial inspections
D.1.d.(4)(ii) D.1.d.(4)(iii)	Independent Inspections	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	No. of deficiencies (critical, major, minor)
D.1.d.(4)(ii) D.1.d.(4)(iv)	Corrective Actions and Reporting Procedures	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.d.(4)(iv)	Tracking Inspection Results	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.d.(5) D.1.d.(6)	Enforcement	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Average days to corrective action (critical, major, minor)
D.1.h.(2)	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation Survey	No. of training attendees Average questionnaire score

**Table 7. Post-Construction Storm Water Management in New Development and Significant Redevelopment Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Post Construction BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.e.(1)	Post-Construction BMP Design Standards	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.e.(2)	Review of Plans for Post-Construction BMPs	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation Tabulation	No. of projects reviewed for Post-Construction BMPs inclusion No. of projects required inclusion of Post-Construction BMPs
D.1.e.(3)	Post-Construction BMPs Inspection and Maintenance Database	(4) Load Reductions	Tabulation Quantification	No. of permanent BMPs cleaned Cubic yards of debris removed
D.1.h.(3)	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	No. of training attendees

**Table 8. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping – Debris Control Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Debris Control BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.f.(1)(i)	Asset Management System	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	No. of structure additions/removals
D.1.f.(1)(ii)(a)	Street Sweeping Inspection and Maintenance	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Cubic yards of debris removed
D.1.f.(1)(ii)(b)	Storm Drain Inspection and Maintenance	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Cubic yards of debris removed
D.1.f.(1)(iii)	Storm Drain Placards	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	Public education survey awareness results
D.1.f.(1)(iv)	Action Plan for Retrofitting Structural BMPs	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
D.1.f.(1)(v)	Trash Reduction Plan	(5) MS4 Discharge Quality	Quantification	Cubic yards of debris discharged from MS4

**Table 9. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping – Chemical Applications Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Chemical Applications BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.f.(2)(i)	Chemical Applications BMPs	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Gallons of herbicide applied
D.1.h.(4)	Training	(1) Permit Compliance (2) Knowledge and Awareness	Completion Tabulation	Permit Compliance No. of training attendees

**Table 10. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping – Erosion Control Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Erosion Control BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.f.(3)(i)	Permanent Erosion Control Improvements	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Pollutants removed (kg/yr)
D.1.f.(3)(ii)	Temporary Erosion Control Measures	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Cubic Yards of debris removed
D.1.f.(3)(iii)	Maintenance Plan for Vegetated Portions of the MS4	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance
D.1.f.(3)(iv)	Action Plan to Address Erosional Outfalls	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance
D.1.f.(3)(v)	Identification of Significant Erosional Areas	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance

**Table 11. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping – Maintenance Activities BMPs Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Maintenance BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.f.(4)	Maintenance Activities BMPs	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.f.(5)	Flood Control Project	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
D.1.h.(5)	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	No. of training attendees

**Table 12. Industrial and Commercial Activities Discharge Management Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	IC Activities BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.g.(1)	Connection and Discharge Permits	(1) Permit Compliance	Tabulation	No. of connection and discharge permits issued
D.1.g.(2) D.1.g.(3)	Facility Inventory	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.g.(4)	Prioritized Area Plan	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
D.1.g.(5)	Inspections	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Percentage of reinspected facilities resulting in deficiencies
D.1.g.(5)	Commercial Facility Ranking	(1) Permit Compliance	Confirmation	Permit compliance
D.1.g.(6)	SWPPP Review	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation Tabulation	No. of SWPPPs reviewed Industrial Facilities without NPDES reported to DOH
D.1.g.(7)	Enforcement	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation	Enforcement on-time response percentage

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	IC Activities BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
D.1.h.(6)	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation Survey	No. of training attendees Average quiz scores

**Table 13. Baseyard Facilities Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Baseyard Facilities BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
E.1 E.2 E.3	SWPCPs Implementation	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance
E.2	Training	(2) Knowledge and Awareness	Tabulation	No. of Training Attendees
E.2	Baseyard Training and Inspections	(3) Behavioral Changes	Tabulation Tabulation	No. of deficiencies Percentage of on-time response for corrective actions

**Table 14. Monitoring Program BMPs.**

MS4 NPDES Permit Part	Monitoring BMPs Implemented	Outcome Levels	Data Collection Method	Assessment Parameters
F.1	Annual Monitoring Plan	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance
G.2	Annual Monitoring Report	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance
F.3.a F.3.b	Implementation and Monitoring Plans	(4) Load Reductions	Quantification	Pollutants removed (kg/yr)
F.3.c	Schedules of Compliance	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit Compliance
F.4 F.5	I&M Plans for Future TMDLS	(1) Permit Compliance	Completion	Permit compliance

### 3.2 Select BMPs To Enhance

From the list of existing BMPs implemented, HDOT selects the Program BMPs to target for enhancements. BMPs targeted for enhancements are selected to address a prioritized problem, achieve a program goal, or to capitalize on an opportunity.

To track progress in meeting the targeted outcomes, metrics are developed to assure that an assessment can be made. When selecting a data collection method, a spectrum of targeted outcomes, programmatic outcomes, and data gap resolution goals are considered. This step is critical to conduct the desired analysis, and report on the goals and metrics during the next step.

**Table 15. Example of Industrial and Commercial Program BMPs Selected for Enhancement.**

INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROGRAM BMPS ENHANCEMENTS			
PROGRAM BMPS	ENHANCEMENTS	OUTCOME LEVELS	DATA METRICS
Industrial and Commercial Inspection Program	Update Industrial and Commercial SIS Checklist	1	Completion
Enforcement	Update Enforcement SOP	3	Tabulation

### 3.3 Establish Targeted Outcomes

After the Enhanced BMPs are selected, HDOT utilizes the Assessment Strategy Worksheet to establish targeted outcomes and an implementation timeline. The Assessment Strategy Worksheet guides the selection of targeted outcomes, performance standards, and metrics that may be used to assess effectiveness of programs and define measurable goals.

The Assessment Strategy Worksheet is also the tool HDOT utilizes as a feedback mechanism when Items 10 Evaluation of Assessment Results and Item 11 Use of Data are completed on the worksheet.

Table 16 shows an example of an Assessment Strategy Worksheet.

**Table 17. Assessment Strategy Worksheet with Enhanced BMP Example.**

<b>HDOT ASSESSMENT STRATEGY WORKSHEET FY22</b>	
<b>SWMP Program:</b> Public Education and Outreach	Date: <u>5/25/22</u> Code: <u>PEO12-FY22</u>
<b>1. Review SWMP Program Effectiveness Strategy (2022).</b> <i>See Chapter 3 Methodology and Approach, Section 3.1.</i>	Enhanced BMP MS4 Permit Part: <u>D.1.a.(2)</u> AR 21-22 Section: <u>2.1.1</u>
<b>2. Review the Program BMPs table with Outcome Levels assigned to each BMP, the data collection methods, and assessment parameters.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single BMP <input type="checkbox"/> Applicable to Program BMPs:
<b>3. Select BMP to enhance:</b> Develop/revise four brochures.	Outcome Level: <u>2</u>
<b>4. Establish a targeted outcome to determine effectiveness:</b> [Direction of change] of [BMP] by [Metric units] over [Reference Point] by [Timeframe].	Track: Initial, Date, Items, Status: <u>KD 3-22-21, Items 1-9; KD 12-29-21, Item 9; AH 5-25-25, Items 10-11;</u>
Increase total number of brochures distributed in-person and downloaded from the Storm Water Hawaii website by 10% over the next 10 in-person events for physical brochure distribution and over one year for digital downloads.	
<b>5. Identify approach to data collection:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tabulation <input type="checkbox"/> Survey/Quiz <input type="checkbox"/> Quantification <input type="checkbox"/> Inspections <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting <input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring	
Identify if data is currently tracked or will need to be tracked (and if so describe tools needed to track): Tabulate number of each brochure distributed at various in-person events as well as downloads from the Storm Water Hawaii website. Tabulation will occur via spreadsheet.	
<b>6. Identify analytical method for data collection:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Qualitative Assessment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statistics <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comparisons <input type="checkbox"/> Temporal Change <input type="checkbox"/> Spatial Analysis	
Provide a brief description of the analytical method: Compare the total number of brochures distributed to the previous 10 events and one year for in-person distribution and digital distribution, respectively. (Time frame chosen due to lack of in-person events this past year as 10 events is the typical number we attend in a fiscal year.)	
<b>7. Timeline for Implementation:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Days <input type="checkbox"/> Months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reporting Period <input type="checkbox"/> Permit Cycle <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
A. Pre-Activity Preparation: Select brochures to redevelop/create.	
B. Tasks and Activities: Work with various programs (i.e., IC/IDDE) to draft brochures, get brochure approvals, print brochures.	
C. Post-Activity and Tracking: Distribute brochures online and in-person. Track distribution and analyze.	
<b>8. Execution:</b>	a. Start Date: <u>April 2021</u> b. End Date: <u>June 2022</u>
	c. Interim Milestones Dates, as applicable: • April - May 2021: determine brochures to create, set up meetings with program leads as needed • June – October 2021: meet with program leads and draft brochures • November 2021 – February 2022: develop brochures

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- March – June 2022: Tabulate previous brochure distribution metrics, obtain HDOT approval, printing of brochures (quantity printed is dependent on DOT's paperless policy).

### 9. Write summary paragraph for Future Enhanced BMP:

Summary paragraph has 5 sentences: (1) Identify the Future Enhanced BMP. (2) Explain the Outcome Level. (3) Identify the metrics used. (4) State anticipated start date. (5) Discuss Future Enhanced BMP measurable goal.

HDOT distributes brochures at all in-person public outreach events and during inspections of industrial and commercial facilities. Additionally, educational brochures are available for download on the Storm Water Hawaii website. New and updated brochures will capture current information and will inform the public of current best practices. The AAH, Restaurant, Gas Station, and Permit brochures will be updated.

HDOT assesses this Enhanced BMP at an Outcome Level 2. The measurable goal is to distribute 10% more brochures than the previous reporting period, via in-person events and inspections or downloaded from the Storm Water Hawaii website.

### 10. Evaluation of Assessment Results: Write your evaluation:

HDOT reviewed the existing Adopt-A-Highway, Restaurant, Gas Station, and Permit brochures. It was determined that the Adopt-A-Highway brochure did not require any informational or format updates. HDOT determined that the Restaurant and Gas Station brochures should be discontinued and replaced with updated BMP flyers, and that the Permit brochure would be updated. HDOT determined that BMP-specific flyers would be more effective than the Gas Station and Restaurant brochures as they would capture current information and inform the public and commercial facilities of current best practices.

HDOT created six new flyers including one for the SWMP Permit and five for the following BMPs: Material Storage and Handling; Parking Lot Maintenance; Vehicle & Equipment Fueling; Vehicle & Equipment Washing; and Waste Management BMPs

HDOT assesses this Enhanced BMP at Outcome Level 2. The measurable goal was to distribute 10% more brochures than the previous reporting period, via in-person events and inspections or downloaded from the Storm Water Hawaii website. During the reporting period, the revised flyers were in development and were not distributed in-person or via the website due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

### 11. Use of Data: *Based on results of the BMP assessment, the Program may be modified to:*

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continue Enhanced BMP activities.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Improve activities that did not accomplish goals.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Discontinue efforts that may no longer be productive. | <input type="checkbox"/> Expand upon efforts that proved to be effective.<br><input type="checkbox"/> Shift priorities for more effective use of resources.<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Continue efforts to utilize updated flyers</u><br><input type="checkbox"/> Close: _____ |
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### Next Action(s):

HDOT will finalize the flyers and begin utilizing them in FY23. Once the flyers are in use, HDOT will tabulate data for the new and updated brochures and flyers and will conduct an assessment of this Enhanced BMP at an Outcome Level 2 and will provide results in the 2022-2023 Annual Report.

## 4. PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS REPORTING

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The evolution of the HDOT SWMP through the iterative process of program planning, program implementation, and effectiveness assessment is documented in the Annual Report that HDOT prepares and submits to DOH. The Annual Report sections for each Program chapter generally follows the format below.

### Section 1. Program Implementation of BMPs

This section provides a table that cross references the following program elements: MS4 NPDES Permit regulations, SWMP Plan language, the BMPs requirements, and the Annual Report Section. This section briefly describes the BMPs implemented for each program.

### Section 2. Program BMPs Assessment

This section reports on the data collected for activities performed during the reporting period to meet MS4 Permit requirements.

#### 2.1. BMP Assessment Metrics

Presented in a table format, this subsection documents the performance of all Program BMPs in comparison to the assessment parameters established in the *Program Effectiveness Strategy* Section 3.1.

#### 2.2. Enhanced BMPs

This subsection highlights the implementation of Enhanced BMPs and evaluates the assessment results.

### Section 3. Future Activities

This section describes the planned activities, as well as specific measurable goals to be met in the next reporting period.

#### 3.1. Continue Implementation of BMPs

This subsection identifies the BMPs that will not be enhanced in the next reporting period, but will continue to be implemented as described in the SWMP Plan.

#### 3.2. Future Enhanced BMPs

This subsection details the BMPs targeted for enhancement in the next reporting period, and identifies the data collection and data analysis methods that will be utilized.

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