

**STORMWATER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENT AND SECURITY**

Project Name: _____

Town Project Number: _____

PIN Number: _____

Email after recording to: Planning-EngineeringSubmittals@TownofClaytonNc.org

NORTH CAROLINA

Johnston County

This STORMWATER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AND SECURITY,
made this day _____ of _____, 20_____

by _____

whose principal address is _____

with, to, and for the benefit of the Town of Clayton, a municipal corporation of the State
of North Carolina, whose address is 111 E. Second St., Clayton, NC 27520.

Stormwater Wetland Operation and Maintenance Agreement

I will keep a maintenance record on this BMP. This maintenance record will be kept in a log in a known set location. Any deficient BMP elements noted in the inspection will be corrected, repaired or replaced immediately. These deficiencies can affect the integrity of structures, safety of the public, and the removal efficiency of the BMP.

Important maintenance procedures:

- Immediately following construction of the stormwater wetland, bi-weekly inspections will be conducted and wetland plants will be watered bi-weekly until vegetation becomes established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the stormwater wetland will be fertilized after the first initial fertilization that is required to establish the wetland plants.
- Stable groundcover will be maintained in the drainage area to reduce the sediment load to the wetland.
- Once a year, a dam safety expert should inspect the embankment.

After the stormwater wetland is established, I will inspect it **monthly and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.0 inches**. Records of operation and maintenance will be kept in a known set location and will be available upon request.

Inspection activities shall be performed as follows. Any problems that are found shall be repaired immediately.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
Entire BMP	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
	Cattails, phragmites, or other invasive plants are present.	Remove invasives by physical removal or by wiping them with herbicide (do not spray) – consult a professional.
Perimeter of wetland	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at an appropriate height.
Inlet device: pipe or swale	The pipe is clogged (if applicable).	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment offsite.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged (if applicable).	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale (if applicable).	Regrade the swale if necessary to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.

BMP element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
Forebay	Sediment has accumulated in the forebay to a depth that inhibits the forebay from functioning well.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If a herbicide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
Deep pool, shallow water and shallow land areas	Algal growth covers over 50% of the deep pool and shallow water areas.	Consult a professional to remove and control the algal growth.
	Shallow land remains flooded more than 5 days after a storm event.	Unclog the outlet device immediately.
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application to establish the ground cover if necessary.
	Best professional practices show that pruning is needed to maintain optimal plant health.	Prune according to best professional practices.
	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design depth of the deep pools.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
Embankment	A tree has started to grow on the embankment.	Consult a dam safety specialist to remove the tree.
	An annual inspection by appropriate professional shows that the embankment needs repair.	Make all needed repairs.
	Evidence of muskrat or beaver activity is present.	Consult a professional to remove muskrats or beavers.
Micropool	Sediment has accumulated and reduced the depth to 75% of the original design depth.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the BMP.
Outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
Receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the Stormwater Division of the Town of Clayton Engineering Department at 919-553-5002.

BMP Inspection and Maintenance Security

Performance Security

The Town of Clayton requires the submittal of a performance security prior to issuance of a permit in order to ensure that the *structural BMPs* are

1. installed by the permit holder as required by the approved stormwater management plan, and/or
2. maintained by the *owner* as required by the operation and maintenance agreement.

Amount

1. Installation

The amount of an installation performance security shall be the total estimated construction cost of the BMPs approved under the permit, plus 25%.

General Requirements

1. This agreement shall grant the Town of Clayton a right of entry to inspect, monitor, repair, and reconstruct structural BMP/SCMs.
2. The Town of Clayton is authorized to recover from the property owner and/or association and its members, any and all costs the Town of Clayton expends to maintain or repair the structural BMP/SCMs or to correct any operational deficiencies. Failure to pay the Town of Clayton all of its expended costs, after 45 days' written notice, shall constitute a breach of the agreement. The Town of Clayton shall thereafter be entitled to bring an action against the property owner and/or association and its members to pay, or foreclose upon the lien hereby authorized by the agreement against the property, or both, in case of a deficiency. Interest, collection costs, and attorney fees shall be added to the recovery.
3. This agreement shall not obligate the Town of Clayton to maintain or repair any structural BMP/SCMs or encompassing easements, and the Town of Clayton shall not be liable to any person for the condition or operation of structural BMP/SCMs.
4. Acknowledgment that the association shall continuously operate and maintain the stormwater control and management facilities.
5. This agreement shall not in any way diminish, limit, or restrict the right of the Town to enforce any of its ordinances as authorized by law.
6. The property owner and/or association and its members indemnifies and holds harmless the Town of Clayton for any costs and injuries arising from or related to the structural BMP/SCM, unless the Town of Clayton has agreed in writing to assume the maintenance responsibility for the BMP/SCM and has accepted dedication of any and all rights necessary to carry out that maintenance.

Uses of Performance Security

1. Forfeiture Provisions

The performance security shall contain forfeiture provisions for failure, after proper notice, to complete work within the time specified, or to initiate or maintain any actions which may be required of the applicant or *owner* in accordance with this ordinance, approvals issued pursuant to this ordinance, or an operation and maintenance agreement established pursuant to this ordinance.

2. Default

Upon default of the *owner* to construct, maintain, repair and, if necessary, reconstruct any *structural BMP* in accordance with the applicable permit or operation and maintenance agreement, the Stormwater Administrator shall obtain and use all or any portion of the security to make necessary improvements based on an engineering estimate. Such expenditure of funds shall only be made after requesting the *owner* to comply with the permit or maintenance agreement. In the event of a default triggering the use of installation performance security, the Town of Clayton shall not return any of the unused deposited cash funds or other security, which shall be retained for maintenance.

3. Costs in Excess of Performance Security

If the Town of Clayton takes action upon such failure by the applicant or *owner*, the Town Clayton may collect from the applicant or *owner* for the difference should the amount of the reasonable cost of such action exceed the amount of the security held.

4. Refund

After the Town's final approval of record drawings, as-builts and certifications, the installation performance security shall be refunded to the applicant or terminated, in accordance with the Town of Clayton Unified Development Ordinance (UDO).

I acknowledge and agree by my signature below that I am responsible for the performance of the maintenance procedures listed above. I agree to notify the Town of Clayton of any problems with the system or prior to any changes to the system or responsible party.

Project name: _____

BMP drainage area number: _____

Print name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Note: The legally responsible party should not be a homeowners association unless more than 50% of the lots have been sold and a resident of the subdivision has been named the president.

I, _____, a Notary Public for the State of _____, County of _____, do hereby certify that _____ personally appeared before me this _____ day of _____, _____, and acknowledge the due execution of the forgoing stormwater wetland maintenance requirements. Witness my hand and official seal,



SEAL

My commission expires _____

Town of Clayton, North Carolina

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Acknowledgment of Town of Clayton:

Johnston County, North Carolina

I certify that the following person personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged to me that he or she executed the foregoing document on behalf of the Town of Clayton in the capacity indicated with his or her signature: _____.

Date: _____

(affix notary seal or stamp here)

Notary Public

Printed/Typed Name: _____

My Commission Expires: _____