

**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF THE IMPACT ON WATER RESOURCES BY
PROPOSED PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS PRIOR TO APPROVAL
BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE COMMON
COUNCIL**

Purpose: Both the citizens of Madison and staff from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources have expressed interest and concern with regard to compliance with applicable state water resources statutes as part of the completion of public works contracts undertaken by all agencies of the City of Madison.

The construction and maintenance of public facilities are performed in accordance with the requirements of applicable local, state and federal statutes and ordinances. Many of these codes undergo consistent updates and/or the interpretation and implementation of the existing code is revised. Some City projects have proceeded to construction without permits that were later deemed necessary by the regulating agency. These cases, along with the changing nature of environmental regulation, have led to uncertainty regarding the need to obtain environmental permits from state or federal agencies.

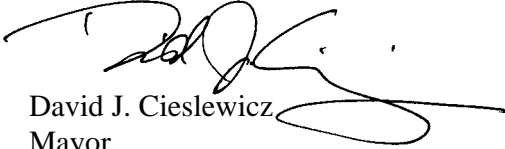
It is the purpose of this APM to establish the review procedure for all public projects to determine compliance with the applicable state and federal environmental requirements.

Procedure: The City Engineer shall review each project prior to its approval by the Board of Public Works (BPW). This review shall determine if the project requires an environmental permit from any local, state or federal agency. If a permit is required and no permit has been applied for, the project shall be referred by the BPW until such time as a permit application has been submitted to the appropriate agency for approval, or approved contingent upon appropriate follow-up and compliance.

The City Engineer shall review the BPW agenda prior to each meeting. The City Engineer may require sufficient information from the sponsoring agency to determine permit requirements and/or water resources impacts. The sponsoring agency shall provide the City Engineer with the requested information in a timely manner such that a determination may be made before the BPW meeting. Failure to provide this information may result in the project being referred to the next BPW meeting.

Sponsoring agencies are encouraged to resolve issues regarding water resources impacts as a part of the design of the project in advance of the approval process.

In addition to the necessary water resources permits, the City Engineer and sponsoring agencies with projects that impact shoreline parks and open space shall contact the City Attorney to review the requirements in accordance with Section 8.35, Madison General Ordinances.


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