

## City of Rock Hill Stormwater Fee Credit Adjustment

Effective July 1, 2014, the City of Rock Hill allows for a stormwater fee credit adjustment for those properties which have installed and maintain certain Stormwater runoff control facilities, Best Management Practices (BMPs), and water quality controls. Controls and/or BMPs that will be considered for the credit include, but are not limited to: detention systems, water quality systems, NPDES Industrial Permits, education curriculum, etc. Any fee credits shall be secured through the Stormwater Division by completing the "City of Rock Hill Stormwater Fee Credit Adjustment Application".

The following is a list of potential fee credits available, but the maximum combined total credit for any property shall not exceed 25%:

(1) Facilities with a current NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with an Industrial Activity and which have a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SPP) on file with South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) may be eligible for a stormwater management credit. The property owner must submit a yearly application to the City in order to be considered for the credit. The facility must be current with any maintenance of their detention/water quality facilities and shall submit copies of the SCDHEC permits, inspection reports, SPCC plan, etc. to the City.

*Credit Amount*

5%

(2) Quality control credits may be available to properties employing Best Management Practices (BMP) on site in order to reduce or minimize stormwater pollution. Properties receiving a BMP credit may be subject to periodic inspections and failure to maintain the BMPs will result in elimination of the credit. The property owner must submit a yearly application to the City in order to be considered for the credit. The property must be current with any maintenance of their BMP facilities and shall submit copies of the SCDHEC permits, submit inspection and cleaning reports, submit approved site and stormwater plan, submit BMP maintenance plan, etc. to the City. If the BMP serves a portion of the property only, a prorated credit will be issued based on the percent of property covered by the BMP. When a BMP is located on and/or serves multiple properties, all property owners must apply for the credit separately to receive the credit.

*BMP Credit Amount*

10%

(3) Quantity control credits may be available to properties employing control facilities on site in order to reduce or minimize peak stormwater runoff rates. The control facilities must be designed, constructed, and maintained according to City standards in order to receive and maintain the credit. Properties receiving a quantity credit may be subject to periodic inspections and failure to maintain the facilities will result in elimination of the credit until the maintenance is completed. In order to be considered for any credit, the property owner must: submit a yearly application signed by a Professional Engineer who has determined the facility is constructed and being maintained per the design and any applicable standards, keep the property current with any maintenance of the facilities, submit copies of the SCDHEC permits, submit copies of inspection reports, submit approved site and stormwater plan, etc. to the City. If the control facility serves a portion of the property only, a prorated credit will be issued based on the percent of property covered by the facility. When a control facility is located on and/or serves multiple properties, all property owners must apply for the credit separately to receive the credit.

Quantity credit will be issued based on one of the following:

<i>Credit Amount for 2 &amp; 10-year design storm</i>	5%
<i>Credit Amount for 2, 10, &amp; 25-year design storm</i>	10%
<i>Credit Amount for 2, 10, 25, &amp; 50-year design storm</i>	15%
<i>Credit Amount for 2, 10, 25, 50, &amp; 100-year design storm</i>	20%

(4) An education credit may be available to any public or private school or school system which teaches the “Action for a Cleaner Tomorrow” program approved by South Carolina Department of Education in grades Kindergarten (k) through twelve (12) annually. The educational credit shall be proportional to the extent the approved curriculum is taught, but shall not exceed 13% (1% per grade implemented). The Superintendent of Schools shall annually certify the extent to which the curriculum was taught during the previous school year by July 1 in order to continue the credit for the following year.

**Application Process**

Submit a completed “City of Rock Hill Stormwater Fee Credit Adjustment Application” and any required documentation. The application must be signed by the financially responsible person and a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of South Carolina. The application can be found on the city’s website or acquired from the City Operations Center at 757 S. Anderson Road.

Obtain a copy of the approved site plan(s), as-builts, calculations, etc. and perform a site inspection. Perform any necessary BMP analysis(s), based on the approved documents, in order to certify the BMP(s) is/are constructed and being maintained as required. If a maintenance plan is not included with the site plan or calculations, a maintenance plan should be developed for all BMPs on the site.

Once the credit application package is received, allow 30 days for review of the application and site inspection. The application and maintenance plan are subject to an on-site verification by City staff before approval of any credits. If the proposed maintenance plan is not followed or the site BMP(s) is/are not functioning as designed, the credits will not be issued until corrections are completed and inspected by the City.

The credit can be applied to the entire property or a portion of based on the area being covered by the BMP(s) on site. When multiple properties are utilizing the same BMP, each property is required to submit an application separately.

Upon approval of the application, any qualifying credits will be applied to the first billing cycle following the date of approval.

Application packages should be submitted to:  
 City of Rock Hill  
 Stormwater Division  
 Attention: Fee Credit  
 PO Box 11706  
 Rock Hill, SC 29731

If you have any questions concerning the credits or the completing the credit application, please call 803-329-7096.