



Above: WWSA crew vacuums water and debris from stormwater catch basin in Edwardsville.



Above: A WWSA street sweeper clears debris and cleans street pavements, reducing stormwater pollutants in Larksville. Below: Road crews stencil "No Dumping" reminders at municipal storm drains.



Important stormwater billing information enclosed

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What you need to know about your Stormwater Fee



You 'otter know...
 we all live downstream.



Dear Property Owner:

The Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority (WVSA) is providing you with advance notice about a stormwater fee due each quarter beginning in January, 2019. The fee will be used to support compliance with an unfunded federal mandate requiring reduction of stormwater pollutants in our local waterways.

The stormwater fee will be charged to all properties located among municipalities participating in **WVSA's Regional Stormwater Management Program (RSMP)**. This means properties that haven't received sewer bills may begin receiving a quarterly stormwater bill from WVSA. Advance notices about the fee have been sent to properties in the RSMP area (View a RSMP map at wvsa.org.)

All stormwater fees will be placed in a dedicated fund used solely for the RSMP—a collaborative, cost-effective approach to meeting regulations and improving the quality of water through Minimum Control Measures (MCMs) and Best Management Practices (BMPs).

As shown in the following Tier Chart, the **average property will be charged a tier flat rate of \$4.80 a month**. The fee is based upon the square footage (sq. ft.) of **impervious area (IA)** on one parcel. Impervious area is any surface that doesn't allow, or allows with great difficulty, rainfall to enter into the soil; e.g. pavements, rooftops, patios, sidewalks, driveways, etc.

Fees collected will fund projects that will reduce the environmental impacts of stormwater that are compromising our streams, creeks, and the Susquehanna River.



Monthly Charge Tier IA Range (sq. ft.) 0—99	\$0.00
Monthly Charge Tier IA Range (sq. ft.) 100—499	\$1.00
Monthly Charge (Average Property) Tier IA Range (sq. ft.) 500—6,999	\$4.80
Monthly Charge Tier IA Range (sq. ft.) 7,000 >	\$4.80 + \$1.70 per 1,000 sq. ft. IA over 7,000

WVSA used high-resolution aerial photography to determine the IA of each parcel. Photos were taken in fall 2017. Geographical Information System (GIS) measurements were then cross-referenced with existing county parcel records.

WVSA's Role

WVSA serves as the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit administrator, allowing municipalities to contain costs and garner efficiencies through our trained staff, equipment, and experience operating a regional authority.

What You Get For Your Fee

Under existing law, municipalities in Northeastern Pennsylvania must curb pollution in the Susquehanna River by 10% in the next five years (2023). Your stormwater fee will help fund:

Permit-required Minimum Control Measures

Public education and outreach * Public involvement/participation * Illicit discharge detection and elimination * Construction site stormwater runoff control * Construction stormwater management for new development and redevelopment * Pollution prevention * Good house-keeping/document retention

Capital Improvements / Best Management Practices

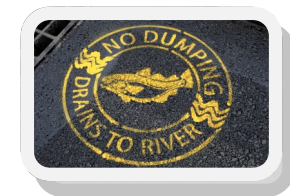
* Stream bank restoration * Water quality improvement in detention basins * Community rain gardens * Regional stormwater parks * Ongoing pollution reduction projects

Regional Mapping of Stormwater Systems

Stormwater inlets * Manhole piping * Outfall inspections

Administration and Operations Services

* Catch basin cleaning and repair * Outfall inspection reporting * Street sweeping * Regulatory compliance * Annual audits and more



For more information about the RSMP, stormwater billing, and how you may earn **stormwater fee credits**, please visit the Stormwater Management section of WVSA's website at wvsa.org. Questions about your bill may also be directed to 570-820-9872.