

Public Notice of Extension of Comment Period

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) gives notice of its extension of the public comment period for its proposed Stormwater Management Regulations, 314 CMR 21.00 and the Draft Regulated Impervious Area General Stormwater Permit with accompanying Fact Sheet. MassDEP takes this action pursuant to the Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, M.G.L. c.21, §§26 through 53.

The proposed regulations and draft general permit are available on the Department's website: <http://www.mass.gov/dep>. Public notice of hearings and the initial comment period on the proposed regulations and draft general permit, which was to close on February 9, 2009, was published in the Environmental Monitor of December 24, 2008 and January 7, 2009. The Department now extends the comment period and will accept written comments on the proposed revisions until 5.00 p.m. on March 11, 2009. Written comments shall be submitted by regular mail at the following address, Mass Department of Environmental Protection, One Winter Street, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02108, attn Glenn Haas. Written comments may also be send by email at DEP.Waterpermitting@state.ma.us.

MassDEP held informational meetings on the proposed regulations and draft general permit during the week of January 5th 2009. MassDEP is considering holding additional informational sessions. Please check the MassDEP website for dates, times and locations.