

## Town of Hull Department of Public Works

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Stormwater Management and Water Quality Improvements, Straits Pond

The Town of Hull recently began work on the Straits Pond Stormwater Improvement Project. Specifically, this project involves the design and construction of stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) controls to address and alleviate problems associated with nonpoint source pollution within the Straits Pond watershed. Work to date includes the installation of new drain lines and structures in Richards Road and Pond Street that discharge into Straits Pond. When weather permits, a bioretention rain garden and stormwater recharge area will be installed.

This project is being jointly funded by the Town of Hull and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under the federally funded 319 Nonpoint Source Pollution Grant Program. A total of \$51,600.00 of grant funds and \$34,400.00 of local funds and services will be used to pay the Total Project cost estimated at \$86,000.00.

The installation of stormwater BMP's is an important part of the Town's efforts to improve water quality through proper stormwater management, and supports the Town's efforts to comply with the requirements of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program under the Clean Waters Act. The Town's Small Municipal Storm Sewer Annual Report under the NPDES program is available at the Department of Public Works office and the Hull Public Library. For more information on Stormwater Management in the Town of Hull, or for information on what residents can do to prevent pollution and protect our wetland resources, visit the Town of Hull's website at <a href="https://www.town.hull.ma.us">www.town.hull.ma.us</a> and click on Stormwater under the Department of Public Works.

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