

LA PORTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-2

ORDINANCE APPROVING MS4 STORMWATER DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FEE
SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 2025-1 on May 21, 2025 to create the LaPorte County Stormwater Management Department and established the Stormwater Operations Fund as a new fund for paying for County stormwater operations and MS4 activities; and

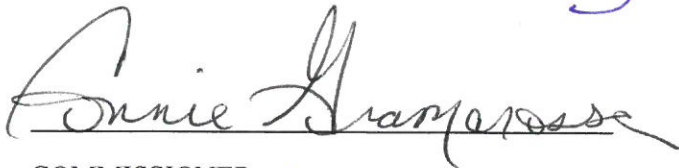
WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of La Porte County Stormwater Management has prepared and approved the MS4 Stormwater Development Review Fee Schedule and attached hereto as Appendix A, for providing reviews and approvals of new developments within the County for their compliance with MS4 permit regulations promulgated by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management and with other relevant State laws and County Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, a notice of the proposed MS4 Stormwater Development Review Fees has been prepared and published in a publication of the County; and

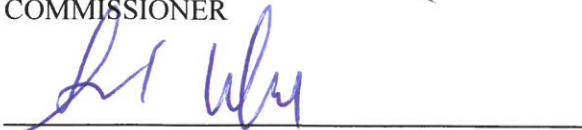
WHEREAS, a public hearing has been conducted by the Board of Commissioners of La Porte County, Indiana on 7-16, 2025; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of La Porte County that the MS4 Stormwater Development Review Fee Schedule, as specified in the attached Appendix A, is hereby approved. This Ordinance to be effective upon Board approval.

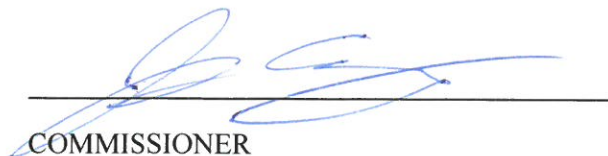
APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LA PORTE COUNTY, INDIANA this 16th day of July, 2025.



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APPENDIX A

MS4 STORMWATER DEVELOPMENT REVIEW FEE SCHEDULE

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LaPorte County Stormwater Management (LCSWM)

MS4 Stormwater Site Development Review Fee Schedule

Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Technical Reviews

Fees based on area of disturbance:

Tier	Project Size	Base Fee	Additional Fee
1 (residential)	1-20 acres	\$600	+150/acre over 1 -acre
1 (comm./Industrial)	1-20 acres	\$1000	+150/acre over 1 -acre
2 (all projects)	20-40 acres	\$3,450	+100/acre over 20- acres
3 (all projects)	40-80 acres	\$5,250	+75/acre over 40- acres
4 (all projects)	80+ acres	\$8,250	+50/acre over 80- acres

Additional Review Services

To be added to SWPPP reviews above at applicants request or may be requested as standalone value-added service

A. LCSWM No Permit required Letter with Agency Coordination: \$400

B. Wetland Assessment/Agency Coordination (Fees based upon Hourly rate of \$95/hour for Certified Wetland Delineator)

Level 1 Small Projects: \$600-\$1,200

Level 2 Mid- Sized Projects: \$1,200-\$2,500

Level 3 Large or Comprehensive Projects: \$2,500 - \$5,000

Note: Services may Include Wetland determination/delineation as appropriate, ACOE/IDEM coordination

C. Drainage Review (Professional P.E. review at \$175/hour)

- Basic: \$525-\$1,400 (3-8 hours)
- Complex: \$1,400-\$2,625 (8-15 hours)

D. Notice of Termination Authorization Letter & Bond Release

- Simple (Small Developments): \$285-570 (3-6 hours at \$95/hour)
- Complex (Utilities/Large Projects): \$570-950 (6-10 hours at \$95/hour)

Important Information

Payment: All site development review fees due prior to review based upon LCSWM determination

Staff: Reviews conducted by certified and trained county stormwater staff. Drainage reviews when necessary outsourced to Indiana professional licensed stormwater engineer (P.E.) at \$175/hour.

Enforcement: Same fee structure applies to after-the-fact permitting or corrective actions required for ordinance compliance, separate from and in addition to any assessed enforcement-related citations.

Flexibility: Review services can be combined as needed.

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