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Topic: New Stormwater Management Facilities Maintenance Agreements

The Stormwater Management Ordinance requires Stormwater Management Facilities Maintenance Agreements (SWMA) be recorded for most land developments (City Code, Appendix D, Sec. 1-28). Recent stormwater design trends have necessitated text changes in our standard SWMA form. All legal document text changes require extensive city legal review and increases the legal costs incurred by our customers. Many of the text changes are focused on public versus private maintenance responsibilities when runoff from public streets runs through a private system. In addition, the maintenance responsibilities were not clearly described in our older documents.

To serve our customers in a more efficient and less costly manner, we have developed multiple SWMA forms to address the more common stormwater scenarios we are approving. During the site plan or subdivision construction plan review, the Development Services Center (DSC) Civil/Stormwater Engineer will determine which form best meets the situation and will provide that information in the comment and approval letters.

The SWMA forms and a SWMA Options List are provided on our webpage at:

- [SWMA Options List](#)
- https://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/planning/DSC/Pages/D_SCDocsFormsAppsFeesChecklists.aspx

These forms are found under the second Legal Documents section in the lower portion of the webpage.

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