Permit Number: _____
(to be provided by City of Wilmington)
SCM Drainage Basin #: _____

Wet Detention Basin Operation and Maintenance Agreement

I will keep a maintenance record on this SCM. This maintenance record will be kept in a log in a known set location. Any deficient SCM elements noted in the inspection will be corrected, repaired or replaced **immediately**. These deficiencies can affect the integrity of structures, safety of the public, and the pollutant removal efficiency of the SCM.

The wet detention basin system is defined as the wet detention basin, pretreatment including forebays and the vegetated filter if one is provided.

This system (*check one*):
☐ **does** ☐ **does not** **incorporate a vegetated filter at the outlet.**

Important maintenance procedures:

- Immediately after the wet detention basin is established, the plants on the vegetated shelf and perimeter of the basin should be watered twice weekly if needed, until the plants become established (commonly six weeks).
- No portion of the wet detention pond should be fertilized after the first initial fertilization that is required to establish the plants on the vegetated shelf.
- Stable groundcover should be maintained in the drainage area to reduce the sediment load to the wet detention basin.
- If the basin must be drained for an emergency or to perform maintenance, the flushing of sediment through the emergency drain should be minimized to the maximum extent practical.
- Once a year, a dam safety expert should inspect the embankment.

After the wet detention pond is established, it should be inspected **once a month and within 24 hours after every storm event greater than 1.5 inches**. Records of operation and maintenance should be kept in a known set location and must be available upon request.

Inspection activities shall be performed as follows. Any problems that are found shall be repaired immediately.

SCM element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The entire SCM	Trash/debris is present.	Remove the trash/debris.
The perimeter of the SCM	Areas of bare soil and/or erosive gullies have formed.	Regrade the soil if necessary, to remove the gully, and then plant a ground cover and water until it is established. Provide lime and a one-time fertilizer application.
	Vegetation is too short or too long.	Maintain vegetation at a height of approximately six inches.

SCM element:	Potential problem:	How to remediate the problem:
The inlet device:	The pipe is clogged.	Unclog the pipe. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The pipe is cracked or otherwise damaged.	Replace the pipe.
	Erosion is occurring in the swale.	Regrade the swale if necessary, to smooth it over and provide erosion control devices such as reinforced turf matting or riprap to avoid future problems with erosion.
	Stone verge is clogged or covered in sediment (if applicable).	Remove sediment and replace with clean stone.
The forebay	Sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than the original design depth for sediment storage.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the SCM.
	Erosion has occurred.	Provide additional erosion protection such as reinforced turf matting or riprap if needed to prevent future erosion problems.
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
The vegetated shelf	Best professional practices show that pruning is needed to maintain optimal plant health.	Prune according to best professional practices
	Weeds are present.	Remove the weeds, preferably by hand. If pesticide is used, wipe it on the plants rather than spraying.
	Plants are dead, diseased or dying.	Determine the source of the problem: soils, hydrology, disease, etc. Remedy the problem and replace plants. Provide a one-time fertilizer application to establish the ground cover if a soil test indicates it is necessary.
The main treatment area	Sediment has accumulated to a depth greater than the original design sediment storage depth.	Search for the source of the sediment and remedy the problem if possible. Remove the sediment and dispose of it in a location where it will not cause impacts to streams or the SCM.

SCM element:	Potential problem:	How I will remediate the problem:
The main treatment area (continued)	Algal growth covers over 25% of the area.	Consult a professional to remove and control the algal growth.
	Cattails, phragmites or other invasive plants cover 50% of the basin surface.	Remove the plants by wiping them with pesticide (do not spray).
The embankment	Shrubs have started to grow on the embankment.	Remove shrubs immediately.
	Evidence of muskrat or beaver activity is present.	Use traps to remove muskrats and consult a professional to remove beavers.
	A tree has started to grow on the embankment.	Consult a dam safety specialist to remove the tree.
	An annual inspection by an appropriate professional shows that the embankment needs repair. (if applicable)	Make all needed repairs.
The outlet device	Clogging has occurred.	Clean out the outlet device. Dispose of the sediment off-site.
	The outlet device is damaged	Repair or replace the outlet device.
The receiving water	Erosion or other signs of damage have occurred at the outlet.	Contact the local NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources regional Office.

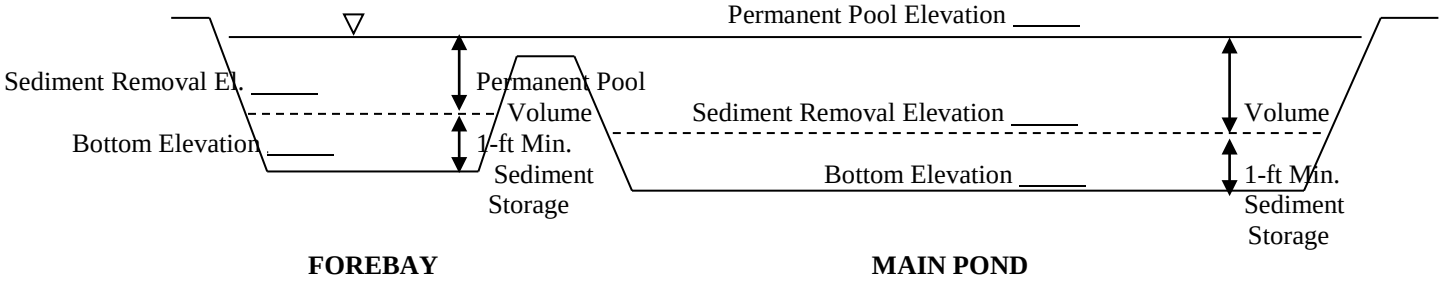
The measuring device used to determine the sediment elevation shall be such that it will give an accurate depth reading and not readily penetrate into accumulated sediments.

When the permanent pool depth reads _____ feet in the main pond, the sediment shall be removed.

When the permanent pool depth reads _____ feet in the forebay, the sediment shall be removed.

BASIN DIAGRAM

(fill in the blanks)



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I acknowledge and agree by my signature below that I am responsible for the performance of the maintenance procedures listed above. I agree to notify the City of Wilmington of any problems with the system or prior to any changes to the system or responsible party.

Project name:_____

SCM drainage basin number:_____

Print name:_____

Title:_____

Address:_____

Phone:_____

Signature:_____

Date:_____

Note: The legally responsible party should not be a homeowners' association unless more than 50% of the lots have been sold and a resident of the subdivision has been named the president.

I, _____, a Notary Public for the State of _____, County of _____, do hereby certify that _____ personally appeared before me this _____ day of _____, _____, and acknowledge the due execution of the forgoing wet detention basin maintenance requirements. Witness my hand and official seal,

SEAL

My commission expires_____