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## 9 Element Watershed Based Plan Component Checklist for CWA Grant Funding<sup>(1)</sup>

Watershed Management Plan Title: Five Mile River Watershed Based Plan - Phase I

Waterbody ID, Hydrologic Unit Code, Watershed Boundary Data Set, or Hydrologic Response Unit: Watershed Boundary Data Set: Connecticut Local Drain Basins (CT DEP 1988), Subregional Drainage Basin Number 7401

**River Basin: Southwest Coast** 

County(ies): Fairfield County, CT

Title of TMDL:

a) A TMDL for This Watershed is ("X" as applicable): ( ) Approved ( ) In Draft b) No TMDL Has Been Developed to Date: ( x )

Comments: Phase I has focused on assessing baseline conditions in the watershed, identifying sources and causes of impairments, and beginning to develop management measures projects aimed at reducing the impacts of non-point source pollution. Phase II will focus on finalizing projects and management measures, developing implementation schedules, miles stones, monitoring and performance criteria, and further development of outreach and education.

<sup>(1)</sup>In order to be eligible for CWA Section 319 incremental\* grant (watershed protection) funding - or to submit a Section 319 grant proposal - a copy of the EPA approved 9 element watershed based plan and this completed checklist must be on file with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse. Components and formatting of this checklist may change in response to federal grant funding, grant guideline revisions, or other program initiatives or purposes as deemed appropriate by EPA/CT-DEP. Note that preparation or submittal of an EPA 9 Element watershed based plan, or this checklist, does not obligate the EPA or CT DEP to partially or fully fund any part of a watershed based plan or recommended implementation project.

\* Incremental grant background: Congress enacted Section 319 of the Clean Water Act in 1987, establishing a national program to control nonpoint sources of water pollution. During the last several years EPA has been working with the States to strengthen its support for watershed-based environmental protection by encouraging

local stakeholders to work together to develop and implement watershed-based plans appropriate for the particular conditions found within their communities. In particular, EPA and the States have focused attention on waterbodies listed by States as impaired under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. Toward this end States must use \$100 million (\$1 million for Connecticut) of Section 319 funds (referred to as "incremental funds") to develop watershed-based plans that address nonpoint source impairments in

Component (C) Best Management Practices	Yes	No	Chapter, Section, Table, List, etc.	Page No.(s)
I. The plan provides locations where <i>potential</i> BMPs may be implemented. <u>Comments</u>	x		Identification of Management Actions	Table 2, Figure 2, Appendix A: Project Descriptions
II. The plan identifies <i>potential</i> BMPs to be installed in "critical" areas. <u>Comments:</u> This is a requirement of the Watershed Based Plan	x		Identification of Management Actions	Targeting: Table 1, Figure 1, Appendix A

Component (D) Financial and Technical Assistance	Yes	No	Chapter, Section, Table, List, etc.	Page No.(s)
I: The plan provides estimates of the financial and technical assistance that will be needed to implement the plan. <u>This is a requirement of the Watershed Based Plan.</u> <u>Comments</u> : This section will include BOTH estimates and potential funding sources for project implementation costs AND Annual maintenance costs of the project. <i>Cost estimates have been developed for installation of structural</i> <i>BMPs. Estimates have not been developed for maintenance or</i> <i>general recommendations (i.e. education), and funding sources</i> <i>have not yet been identified. This will completed as part of Phase</i> <i>II.</i>	x		Identification of Management Actions; Appendices C & D	Appendix A: project descriptions, App. C, App. D
<ul> <li>II: The plan identifies sources and authorities that will be relied upon to implement the plan.</li> <li><u>Comments:</u></li> <li><i>This will be addressed in Phase II.</i></li> </ul>		x	Phase 2	

Component (E) Education and Outreach	Yes	No	Chapter, Section, Table, List, etc.	Page No.(s)
I. The plan provides an information/education component that will enhance public understanding of the plan and encourage their early and continued participation in project development. Note: This education and outreach component must link the information to model demonstration or pilot projects that stakeholders can implement post WBP development.			Goals & Strategies	p. 5
To be further developed as part of Phase II				

## Watershed Management Plan Component Checklist for CWA Grant Funding\* Acknowledgment

I/we, the undersigned, believe that the watershed plan addresses Elements "a-i" of the EPA approved watershed based plan model elements - particularly those elements pertaining to broadly estimating pollutant load reductions that may result from implementation of best management practices - as presented in the, "*Nonpoint Source Program and Grants Guidelines for States and Territories*. Federal Register. October 23, 2003. (Volume 68, Number 205. pp. 60658-60660). <u>http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/EPA-WATER/2003/October/Day-23/w26755.htm</u>

I/we acknowledge that information provided by this checklist is based on a dynamic watershed based plan. Certain components of the 9 element watershed based plan (and this checklist) may need to be updated as data and information improves.

The signatory(ies) below are under no obligation to partially or fully fund or implement a watershed based plan, or any part thereof, unless funded by an EPA/CT-DEP approved Section 319 grant in accordance with an approved Section 319 workplan.

This checklist is submitted for CWA Section 319/CT-DEP Nonpoint Source Program grant program purposes by:

Signature/Title

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\*This CWA Grant Funding Source includes, but is not limited to, CWA Section 319 grant funding.

Date

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