

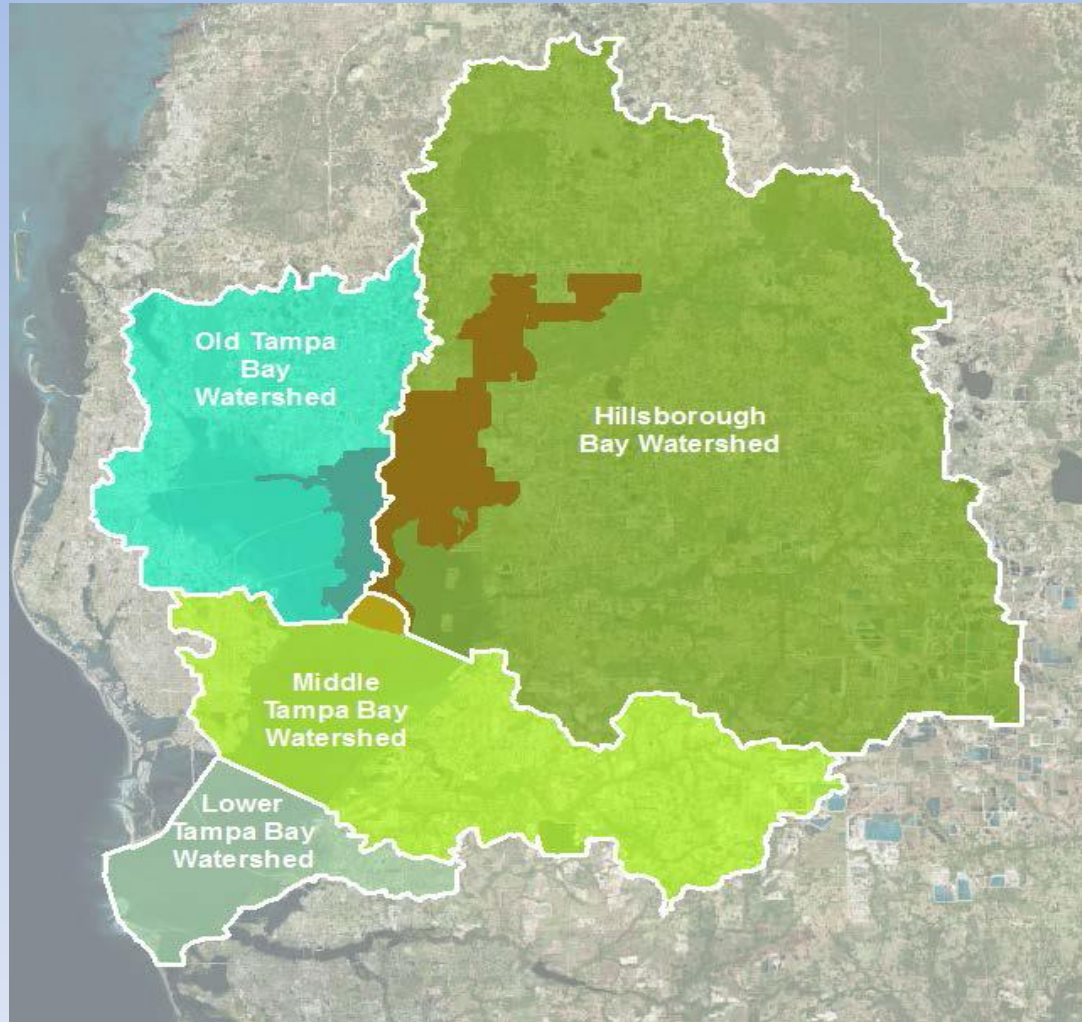


Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program & Response to Illicit Discharges

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program

- Mandated by the Clean Water Act in 1972
- City of Tampa is required to have a NPDES MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit

City Limits 114,497 acres



City of Tampa
2011 Permit 3:FLS000008
NPDES
MS4 Permit

Issued Date: November 1, 2011



NPDES Program Overview

- Maintenance of the Stormwater system infrastructure
- Review of development projects
- Educational – KTBB contract
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Illicit Discharges & Improper Disposal
 - Investigations
 - Spill Response
 - Sanitary Sewer Seepage/overflow
- 2015 Stormwater retrofit projects
 - 13 planned projects, 18 completed projects
- Litter Control of Roadways (2015)
 - City's Neighborhood Enhancement division picked up 1,852 tons of trash on the streets
 - The street sweepers picked up 6,412 tons of sediment from the City curbed streets

City of Tampa Ordinances

- **Section 21-Stormwater Management**
 - 21-140.-Fertilizer Ordinance
 - 21-9.-Protection of Public Drainage Systems
- **Section 19-Solid Waste**
 - 19-53.-Placing or permitting offensive matter on streets, vacant lots, in streams, etc...
 - 19-79. - Removal of animal excrement; exceptions.

City Penalties or actions authorized to mitigate violations

- **Sec 21-81.-Stop work & emergency orders**
 - Upon notice from the official, work on any system that is being done contrary to the provisions of this chapter or in a dangerous or unsafe manner shall immediately cease. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, his agent or the person doing the work or posted at the job site and shall state the conditions under which work may be resumed. Where an emergency exists, verbal notice by the official shall be sufficient to require the stoppage of work
- **Sec 19-146.-Notice**
 - Inspector directs person with an abatement of the violation & time period
 - Repeat violations have civil penalties -The first repeat violation shall carry a civil penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). The second repeat violation shall carry a civil penalty of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). The third repeat violation shall carry a civil penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - Enhanced penalty.- Any violator who has four (4) or more repeat violations in a twenty-four-month period shall be subject to a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per day or imprisonment for a term not to exceed six (6) months, or both. Each day that a violation of this subsection continues shall constitute a separate violation

City of Tampa Code Violations 23.5-5

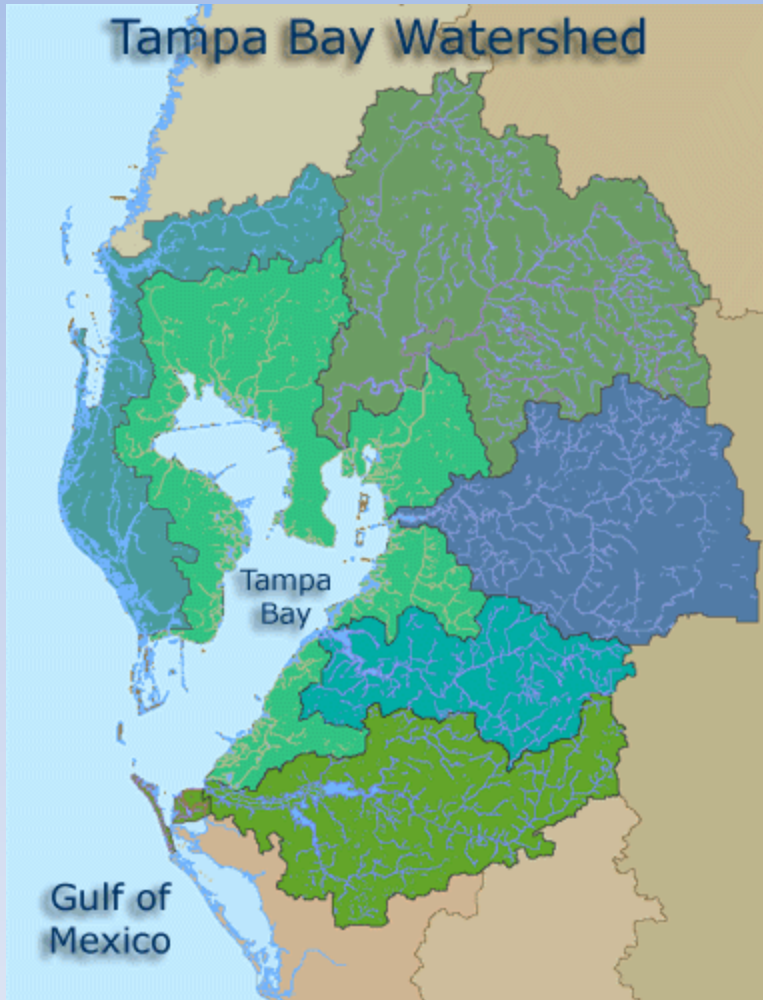
- **If, however**, a code enforcement officer has reason to believe that the violation:
 - (1)Is a repeat violation;
 - (2)Presents a serious threat to the public health, safety, or welfare; or
 - (3)If the violation is irreparable or irreversible;
- a code enforcement officer does not have to provide the person with a reasonable time period to correct the violation prior to issuing a citation and may immediately issue that citation.
- Violations of the following sections of the Tampa City Code are considered Class I violations (individual) and will carry a fine of:
 - For a first offense\$75.00
 - For a second offense150.00
 - For a third offense300.00
 - For a fourth or subsequent offense450.00
- Violations of the following sections of the Tampa City Code are considered Class IV (business) violations and will carry a fine of four hundred fifty dollars (\$450.00) [for] each and every offense.

City Employees Report Stormwater Pollution to the Hotline (Phone #)



- Annually Trained to call in illicit discharges
 - Water with a strange odor
 - Dumping of chemicals or strange fluids
 - People littering or dumping waste
 - Leaves or debris being blown into the street or stormdrains

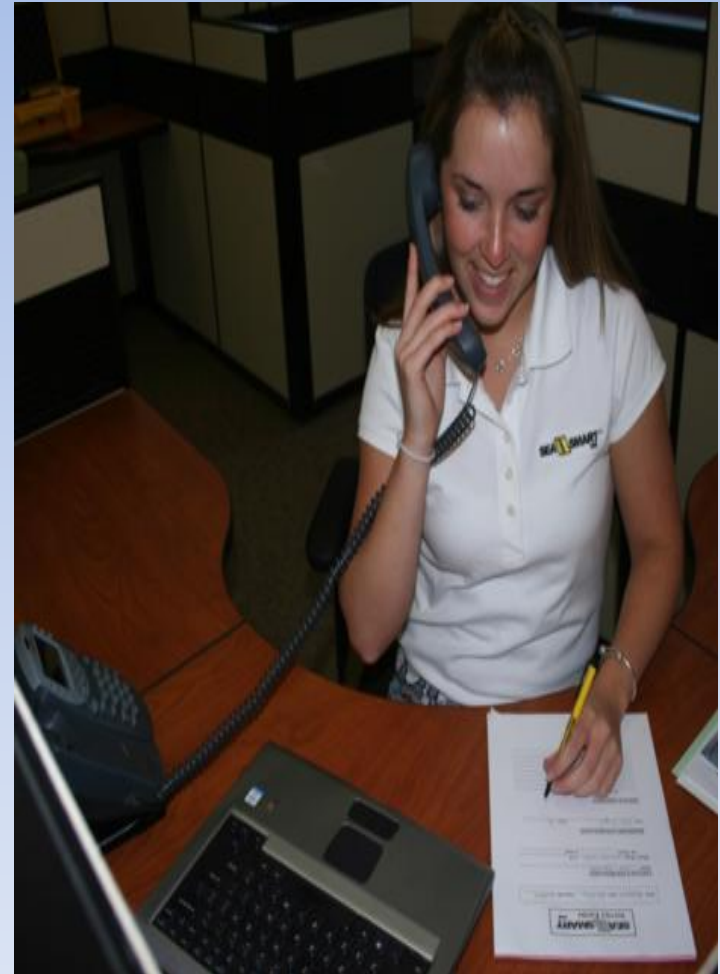
Tampa Bay Water Quality



- Tampa Bay watershed is ~2,200 square miles
- Endpoint for most of the area's stormwater runoff
- Assess Bay health through seagrass coverage
- 2014 Assessment determined seagrass acreage exceeded 1950s coverage

Phone Call Complaints

- The Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) of Hillsborough County main line is **813-627-2600**.
 - Daniel Moore, **813-363-9186**
 - Nita Ostermann, **813-967-6015**
- Code enforcement for grass clippings violations or dumping into the storm drains. # **813-274-5545**.
- For private construction site violations, **274-3100 ext 3163**.





Questions?

**City of Tampa Stormwater
Operations Hotline
813-274-3101**