

Storm Water Division
Operating Policies
 Routine Maintenance (RoM)



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Subject: Restoring Drainage Systems	Effective Date: 10-1-02
Applies To: All Stormwater Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> New Issue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partial Revision <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Revision
Purpose:	To establish guidelines for the routine or remedial maintenance of drainage systems when maintenance activities conflict with customer requests or expectations.
Policy:	<p>Within maintenance activities, both routine and remedial, it is the goal of MWS to restore the intended function of the drainage system as adjusted to current design standards and criteria.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Restoring Systems Inside the ROW Without Customer Approval <p style="margin-left: 40px;">MWS will maintain drainage systems within the public road right-of-way to restore the intended system functionality irrespective of customer approval.</p> 2. Restoring Systems Outside the ROW Without Customer Approval <p style="margin-left: 40px;">MWS will maintain drainage systems outside of the public road right-of-way to restore the intended system functionality irrespective of customer approval when the drainage system conveys stormwater runoff from a public road right-of-way and the work can be performed within a drainage easement.</p> 3. Restoring Systems Previously Modified Without MWS Approval <p style="margin-left: 40px;">When a drainage system is constructed without MWS approval and the system is determined to be the source of a drainage concern, MWS will remove the unapproved system and restore the system function, subject to the existence of a right-of-way or appropriate easement. System restoration will include an open conveyance system (ditch) whenever feasible and a closed drainage system only when necessary. If such action is taken, MWS reserves the right to take legal action to recover system restoration costs.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">MWS reserves the right to require the property owner to remove any an-authorized construction and to restore the area to a proper condition. MWS will first instruct the property owner to remove the unapproved system. If corrective action is not taken, a "Notice of Violation" will be issued by MWS Stormwater's Technical Services Coordinator. Failure to comply may result in legal action taken by Metro's Legal Department.</p>
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