

**Storm Water Division**  
**Operating Policies**  
 Routine Maintenance (RoM)



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<b>Subject:</b> Mowing and Trimming	<b>Effective Date:</b> 10-1-02
<b>Applies To:</b> All Stormwater Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>New Issue</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Partial Revision</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete Revision</b>
<b>Purpose:</b>	To establish guidelines for the mowing, trimming, or general vegetative control within easements and open channel conveyance systems.
<b>Policy:</b>	<p>Vegetative control and maintenance within conveyance systems, regardless of the presence of an easement, are the responsibility of the property owner and will not be performed by MWS except in the following cases:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. MWS will perform mowing and trimming, at their sole discretion, when the activities are necessary to remedy an emergency situation.</li> <li>2. MWS will perform mowing and trimming, at their sole discretion, when in their judgment the activity is necessary for proper system function and no reasonable expectation exists that the property owner will perform the maintenance within a timely manner.</li> <li>3. MWS will perform mowing and trimming (by internal crews or contract services) for detention basins when a maintenance agreement or other legal statement of responsibility states that these activities are assumed by MWS.</li> </ol>
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