Small MS4 General Permit
Designation Flow Chart
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Is the MS4 located within an urbanized area?**

Yes → Automatically designated in General Permit, based on Phase II Storm Water Federal Regulations

No → Does the MS4 have pop. of 10,000 and density of 1,000/square mile?*

Yes → Designated in General Permit

No → Does the MS4 discharge to an ASBS?

Yes → Is the MS4 covered by an Ocean Plan exception?

No → Not Designated in General Permit, however, Regional Board E0 may designate on case-by-case basis

Yes → Designated in General Permit

*Current designation based on U.S. Decennial Census Date 2010.
**Assumes MS4 population greater than 5000.