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**BMP Grounds #5**

**TITLE:** MAINTENANCE OF VEGETATIVE COVER

**Regulatory Citation:** MS4 SPEDES Registration No. NYR20A300

**Applicability:** Vegetative cover along sidewalks and buildings

**Purpose:** To stabilize the soil and prevent sediment transfer to stormwater conveyance systems.

**Person or  
Department Responsible:** Grounds Supervisor

**Schedule:** Every spring

**Procedures:** Each spring between late April and late May, bare spots which have developed in common walking areas are groomed and reseeded. Seed starter may be used to maximize new growth. Other plantings of flowers and shrubs will be done in certain areas of the campus with plants native to the area. No pesticides or other fertilizers are applied by Grounds Department. An outside licensed company is used for fertilizer/pesticide applications as needed. Company and applicator licenses are kept current and on file with the Environmental Health & Safety Department

Areas with shrubs or flowers are mulched with a layer of wood chips to completely cover bare soil after planting.

**Record keeping:** Licensed applicator firm

**Record  
Location:** Environmental Health & Safety files

**Current vendor:** TruGreen

**Contact:** Grounds Supervisor (629-7565)  
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