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Town of Bluffton seeks technical review for its Stormwater Design Manual
Deadline is May 31 for feedback

The Town of Bluffton Watershed Management Division is seeking technical comments, feedback and/or guidance for its current version of the “Southern Lowcountry Stormwater Design Manual.” This manual provides civil engineers, landscape architects and developers with design guidelines to manage rainwater runoff to protect the town’s natural resources and mitigate pollution, erosion, and flooding.

The Town’s version of this manual is similar to other manuals in Southern Beaufort County and Jasper County in a collective effort by local governments to have consistent standards in the region. Each local government has its own version due to the specific needs and requirements of each municipality. Topics featured in these manuals include construction and management of retention ponds, installation of vegetated buffers, construction of permeable surfaces and sediment and erosion control elements.

The Town of Bluffton originally adopted its current version in September 2021 and is seeking comments to incorporate them into a revised edition.

The Town of Bluffton manual and the manuals for neighboring municipalities will provide stormwater standards for new and redevelopment projects.

The Town’s Watershed Management Division is seeking comments from residents, developers, engineers, and others with technical expertise.

Comments are accepted through May 31. Please email Andrea Moreno, a Town of Bluffton watershed program manager, at (Email): amoreno@townofbluffton.com.

The Town's version of the "Southern Lowcountry Stormwater Design Manual" can be accessed via: <https://www.townofbluffton.sc.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3692/SWDM-Sept-2021?bidId=>

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