

Senate Bill (SB) 7040 Stormwater Rule to Reality Implementation 2026

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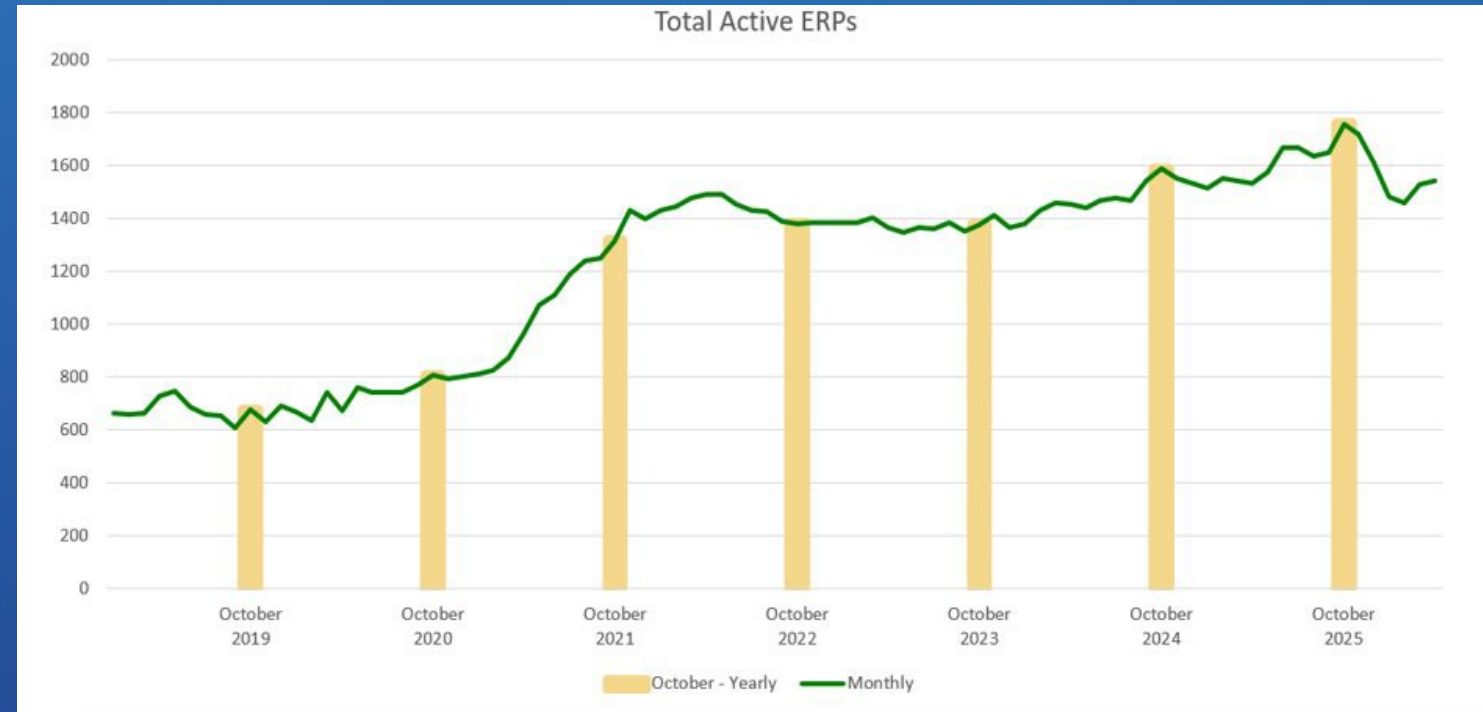
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Today's discussion will include:

- ERP Application Management and Workload
- Rule Implementation and Navigation of Performance Criteria
- Problems and Solutions
- Moving Forward

ERP Application Management

- Continually increasing number of active applications
- Significant influx toward the end of 2025
- Peak reached in October
- Demand to get complete applications issued within 60 days
- Approximately 1000 issued between December and February



Rule Implementation and Navigation of Performance Criteria

- Bi-weekly Statewide Stormwater group discussions
- Application of Grandfathering Provisions
- Software usage and computational methodologies
- Treatment train combos and efficiencies
- Watershed (HUC12) boundaries and criteria determination

Challenges Meeting the Performance Criteria

- Large retention volumes
- Recovery in 72 hours
- “No Discharge” Policy
- Incentivizes LID and GSI
 - Breaking up DCIA
 - Dispersed retention (rain gardens, tree wells, etc.)
 - Swale conveyances
 - Underground storage
- Retention in series with filtration
- New technologies with limited testing
- Offsite compensatory treatment (RSMS's and WQEA's)

Moving Forward

- Continue to work together with WMD's and DEP
- Coordinate on implementation of WQEA and RSMS rules
- Continue to identify additional solutions and technologies
- Appreciate the time and effort to develop and implement the rule
- Recognize the staff that put in the overtime to meet all deadlines
- Acknowledge the positive impacts on the environment and resource

Comments and Questions