

Stormwater in Berlin

How much is too much?

Fact Sheet



- **Stormwater runoff has caused large flooding and water quality concerns for the Town of Berlin.**
- **The majority of Berlin lies within the Trappe Creek watershed. This is a sub-watershed of the Newport Bay watershed, one of five major Maryland Coastal Bays. All stormwater runoff in Berlin is untreated, causing pollution to run into the Coastal Bays.**
- **Berlin's population has increased 30% since 1990. This has increased stormwater runoff past the capacity of Berlin's current stormwater infrastructure system.**
- **The Town of Berlin is 3.13 square miles containing 69,438 linear feet (13.2 linear miles) of stormwater piping.**
 - 💧 1,034 stormwater structures: including corrugated plastic, concrete, corrugated metal, cast iron, and PVC pipes.
 - 💧 All stormwater infrastructure needs periodic maintenance, cleaning, and repair as it ages.
- **Stormwater problems in Berlin**
 - 💧 Stormwater infrastructure cannot handle even small rainstorms
 - 💧 No adequate operations and maintenance program
 - 💧 No sustainable source of funding

We want to hear from you! Please contact Megan Hughes at mhughes3@umd.edu

● **or (301) 405-4035 with any additional stormwater concerns or questions.** ●