

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.

