

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY WATERSHED PROTECTION



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## Training for Construction Site Inspectors

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Prepared For: Santa Ana River Watershed Permittees

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Santa Ana Region

# Training Objectives



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- ▶ **To comply with the Construction Sites requirements of the Regional Permit**
- ▶ **To assist Construction Inspectors stay informed about:**
  - ▶ The stormwater program
  - ▶ Pollution prevention at construction sites



# Introductions



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## ▶ Your Presenter

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- ▶ Qualified SWPPP Developer



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# Introductions



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- ▶ Audience Introductions

- ▶ Agency

- ▶ Division

- ▶ Discussion:

- ▶ What is the worst example of non-compliance you have seen?

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## Training Goal



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*Provide quality training to ensure that individuals and organizations are knowledgeable of stormwater regulations and the requirements of the local agency permit*

# Training Requirements



- ▶ **The Riverside County Flood Control District, County of Riverside, and incorporated cities in the Santa Ana River watershed have NPDES Stormwater Permits and various implementation plans**
- ▶ **Construction Inspectors receive annual training regarding requirements applicable to inspection of private development and Permittee construction sites**

# Santa Ana RWQCB (8) – For Santa Ana River Basin



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## ▶ Purpose:

- ▶ Regulates the discharge of pollutants from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s)

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
SANTA ANA REGION**

**ORDER NO. R8-2010-0033  
NPDES NO. CAS 618033**

**NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT AND  
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR  
THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT, THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, AND THE INCORPORATED CITIES OF  
RIVERSIDE COUNTY WITHIN THE SANTA ANA REGION**

**AREA-WIDE URBAN RUNOFF MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

# Municipal Permits



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## Covered by Santa Ana RWQCB Permit

- County of Riverside\*
- Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District\*
- Beaumont
- Calimesa
- Canyon Lake
- Corona
- Eastvale
- Hemet
- Jurupa Valley
- Lake Elsinore
- Menifee
- Moreno Valley
- Norco
- Perris
- Riverside
- San Jacinto

\*Agencies covered by multiple permits

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# Local Programs



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- ▶ Local programs in the Santa Ana Watershed developed to comply with the NPDES Permits.
  - ▶ Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP)
  - ▶ Local Implementation Plans (LIP)
- ▶ Compliance documents can be found here:
  - ▶ <http://rcflood.org/NPDES/SantaAnaWS.aspx>

# Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP)



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- ▶ The DAMP is the document that serves as a model to document the 2010 Santa Ana Region MS4 Permit (amended in 2013) requirements, and provides guidance to the cities in the development and implementation of their Local Implementation Plans (LIP).



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DRAINAGE AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN

SANTA ANA REGION

JUNE 30, 2017

# Local Implementation Plan (LIP)



- ▶ The LIP describes each City's specific runoff management (water quality) program and activities that will be implemented to comply with the requirements of the MS4 Permit.

**AUGUST 16, 2012**

Full Permittee Name  
Local Implementation Plan  
Template

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ORDER NO R8-2010-0033

*Note: Each Permittee to revise this template with Permittee Name, address highlighted text items, and append noted materials to tailor to their organization. All text must be reviewed and revised as needed to ensure applicability to Permittee.*



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# Construction Activity Requirements

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# Construction Activity Requirements



Each Co-permittee must implement a construction activity program in accordance with the Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP).

Prior to the issuance of grading or construction permits:

- ▶ **Construction General Permit**

- ▶ Verify that the project applicant has obtained coverage under the statewide Construction General Permit (Order 2009-0009-DWQ or subsequent Order), if applicable

- ▶ **Prioritize Construction Sites**

- ▶ High - Sites  $\geq 50$  ac and Sites  $> 1$  ac discharging to sediment impaired waters
- ▶ Medium - Sites  $\geq 10$  ac and  $< 50$  ac
- ▶ Low - Sites that are not Medium or High

# Construction Activity Requirements



Prior to the issuance of grading or construction permits (continued):

▶ **Construction Site BMP Implementation**

- ▶ Require implementation of the BMPs identified in the DAMP in construction site erosion and sediment control plans, as appropriate and applicable
- ▶ Ensure that erosion and sediment control plans include BMPs such that a distinct and effective combination of BMPs consistent with the site risk is implemented through all phases of construction

# Construction Activity Requirements



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## Construction Site BMPs

- ▶ The DAMP references appropriate BMPs from several handbooks. Permittees may consider other BMPs of equivalent or better performance on a case-by-case basis.

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Table 7-1. Construction Site BMPs

BMP Name	Stormwater BMP Handbook Portal : Construction	Caltrans Construction Site BMP Manual	Included in USEPA Construction Site Menu of BMPs
<b>Stabilize Exposed Soils</b>			
Chemical Stabilization (Soil Binders)	EC-5	SS-5	X
Polyacrylamide	SE-11		
<b>Mulching</b>			
Hydraulic Mulch	EC-3	SS-3	X
Straw Mulch	EC-6	SS-6	X
Wood Mulching	EC-8	SS-8	X
Permanent Seeding			X
Sodding			X
Soil Roughening			X
Temporary Seeding/Hydroseeding	EC-4	SS-4	
<b>Protect Steep Slopes</b>			
Earth Dikes/Drainage Swales/Lined Ditches	EC-9	SS-9	
Fiber Roll	SE-5	SC-5	
Geotextiles	EC-7	SS-7	X
Gradient Terraces			X
Soil Retention			X
Straw Bale Barrier	SE-9	SC-9	
Temporary Slope Drain	EC-11	SS-11	X
<b>Protect Waterways</b>			
Check Dams	SE-4	SC-4	X
Outlet Protection/Velocity Dissipation Devices	EC-10	SS-10	
Streambank Stabilization	EC-12	SS-12	
Temporary Stream Crossings	NS-4	NS-4	X
Vegetated Buffer			X
<b>Phase Construction</b>			
Construction Sequencing (Scheduling)	EC-1	SS-1	X
Dust Control (Wind Erosion Control)	WE-1	WE-1	X
<b>Preserve Site Condition</b>			
Entrance/Outlet Tire Wash	TC-3	TC-3	
Preservation of Existing Vegetation	EC-2	SS-2	
Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit	TC-1	TC-1	
Stabilized Construction Roadway	TC-2	TC-2	

# Construction Activity Requirements



## Inventory Database

- ▶ Each Co-permittee must maintain a database of construction sites for which
  - ▶ they have issued a building or grading permit, and
  - ▶ activities include soil movement, uncovered storage of materials or wastes, or exterior mixing of cementaceous products
- ▶ Construction sites are included even if they are not subject to the Construction General Permit
- ▶ Include at a minimum:
  - ▶ Project Name, Address, Tract or APN, Watershed
  - ▶ Project Type, Priority, Site Size
  - ▶ WDID#, Grading Permit #, Other Permits
  - ▶ Developer's information, Site contact
  - ▶ Number of inspections performed, Enforcement status



# Construction Activity Requirements



## Construction Site Inspections

- ▶ Each Co-Permittee must conduct construction site inspections to require and confirm compliance with its local permits and applicable local ordinances, and the requirements of this Order.
- ▶ Inspection Frequency

Season	Low Priority	Medium Priority	High Priority
Wet Season Oct 1 to May 31	Once In Wet Season	Twice In Wet Season	Monthly
Dry Season Jun 1 to Sep 30	At Frequency Sufficient to Ensure Sediment and Other Pollutants are Properly Controlled and Unauthorized Non-Stormwater Discharges are Prevented		

# Inspection Frequency / Prioritization



- ▶ After each inspection, re-assess the priority based on the matrix, and update the database

Table 7-2. SAR Construction Site Prioritization Matrix

Priority	Supporting Criteria <sup>(a)</sup>	Wet Season <sup>(b)</sup> Inspection Frequency
High	<p><u>Project Size</u> Sites that disturb an area greater than 50 acres (initial inventory)</p> <p><u>Proximity and Sensitivity of Receiving Waters</u> Sites disturbing an area greater than one (1) acre with Direct Discharge to Receiving Waters with CWA Section 303(d) listed waters for sediment or turbidity Impairments and site specific characteristics <sup>(4)</sup>.</p> <p><u>Soil Erosion Potential</u> Hillside sites that disturb an area greater than five acres</p> <p><u>History of Compliance</u> Sites that disturb an area greater than one (1) acre with a low-range (0-50%) compliance with respective city/County NPDES site inspection/verification checklists</p>	Once monthly
Medium	<p><u>Project Size</u> Sites disturbing an area between 10 to less than 50 acres.</p> <p><u>History of Compliance</u> Sites that received repeated verbal notification of non-compliance with respective city/County NPDES site inspection/verification checklists</p>	Twice
Low	<p><u>Project Size</u> Sites disturbing 1 to less than 10 acres.</p> <p><u>History of Compliance</u> Sites that are in compliance with respective city/County NPDES site inspection/verification checklists Sites that disturb an area of one (1) acre or greater</p>	Once

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## ▶ Inspection Content

At a minimum, address the following:

- ▶ Verify coverage under the Construction General Permit (Notice of Intent (NOI) and/or WDID number) during initial inspections, when applicable
- ▶ Verify that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) is on site
- ▶ Verify that the BMPs onsite are effective for the phase
- ▶ Confirm compliance with the local stormwater ordinances
- ▶ Visual observations of poorly managed authorized non-storm water discharges, or evidence of actual or potential illicit discharges

# Construction Activity Requirements



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Figure 7-1. Example Construction Site Inspection Form

Insert Co-Permittee logo here <b>Construction Activity Compliance Inspection Notice</b> Public Works Department and/or Division Insert Co-Permittee address here, CA			
			Date:
TRACT/PARCEL #:	WDID#:	WEATHER:	SITE INSPECTION PRIORITY LEVEL: <input type="checkbox"/> HIGH <input type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM <input type="checkbox"/> LOW
APN:	GRADING PERMIT #:	SIZE/DISTURBED ACREAGE:	OFFICE USE: <input type="checkbox"/> -PAID <input type="checkbox"/> -INVOICE
SITE NAME AND ADDRESS:		PROPERTY OWNER AND MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT):	
CROSS STREETS:	INSPECTED BY:	PHONE #:	DA
FUTURE SITE USAGE: <input type="checkbox"/> RESIDENTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> MIXED-USE	POST-CONSTRUCTION BMPs ON-SITE: <input type="checkbox"/> YES NOTES-		
<b>NOTICE:</b> The [Insert Co-Permittee Name] performs a construction site inspection to determine compliance or not in compliance with the [Insert Co-Permittee Name] Stormwater Ordinance regulations, and codes.			
<b>1. PERMITS: (MS4 Permit Ref: Section IX.A.3.a)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of NOI located at the project site? <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of WDID located at the project site? <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of [Insert Co-Permittee Name] permit at project site?			
<b>2. STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP): (MS4 Permit Ref: Section IX.A.3.b)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of SWPPP located at the project site? If not, Regional Board must be notified.			
<b>3. BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> BMPs installed in conformance with local permits and [Insert Co-Permittee Name] Stormwater Ordinance, i.e.   drain inlet protection, etc? <input type="checkbox"/> BMPs in place for the various subcontractor trades, i.e. PCC cleanout, material storage, waste storage, etc? <input type="checkbox"/> Project site BMPs effective? <input type="checkbox"/> Effective combination of erosion and sediment controls on site?			

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<b>4. EROSION CONTROL:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence of erosion present on manufactured and/or denuded slopes? <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence of rill or gully erosion present? <input type="checkbox"/> Erosion control BMPs installed in conformance with local permits and [Insert Co-Permittee Name] Stormwater Ordinance?		
<b>5. SEDIMENT CONTROL:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence of sediment outside the permit area or present on the site in an area that requires protection? <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence of construction site sediment on City-maintained streets, downstream storm drains and/or drainage ways? <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence of "Track-out" observed on surface streets adjoining the project site? <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment controls installed and maintained in conformance with local permits and [Insert Co-Permittee Name] Stormwater Ordinance?		
<b>6. ILLEGAL/ILLCIT DISCHARGES:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence that structural controls are breached or failed under storm events of minor intensity? <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence that active non-storm water discharges or potential illicit connections or illegal discharges to the streets or storm drains?		
<b>VIOLATIONS:</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Verbal warning:	<input type="checkbox"/> Written warning: (attach copy)	
<input type="checkbox"/> NOV: (attach copy)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stop Work: (attach copy)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
<b>ADDITIONAL:</b>		
RECEIVED BY:	NAME/SITE CONTACT (PRINT):	24-HOUR PHONE:
DATE:	VIOLATIONS: <input type="checkbox"/> CORRECTED <input type="checkbox"/> NOT CORRECTED	PAGE ____ OF ____
REGIONAL BOARD NOTIFICATION: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DATE:                      TIME:	CONTACT:



- ▶ **Construction Inspection Program**
  - ▶ Follow minimum inspection and enforcement procedures.
  - ▶ Follow criteria for characterizing the **significance of violations, prioritizing violations**, appropriate response actions and enforcement/compliance responses.
  - ▶ Standardize the implementation and enforcement of the respective Storm Water Ordinances.
  - ▶ Enforce the respective Storm Water Ordinances consistent with the DAMP and the local MS4 Permit.

# Prioritizing Violations



Table 3-1. Prioritization Factors for Violations

Prioritization Factor	Description
Characteristics of the Potential Pollutant	Based on chemical characteristics and potential to impact Beneficial Uses of Receiving Waters. The more toxic, hazardous, or detrimental to the Beneficial Uses of the Receiving Waters a Pollutant is the higher priority the discharge.
Sensitivity of the Affected Receiving Waters	The sensitivity of the affected Receiving Waters should be considered directly proportional to the priority of the violation because, for example, a more sensitive Receiving Water may suffer severe adverse effects from the discharge of a particular Pollutant, whereas, a less sensitive Receiving Water may suffer no adverse effects from the same Pollutant discharge. It is also important to consider that a Receiving Water may be highly sensitive to one potential Pollutant discharge while, at the same time, completely insensitive to another potential Pollutant. Examples of Receiving Waters that may be particularly sensitive include those with municipal supply or wildlife habitat designated Beneficial Uses.
Proximity of Receiving Waters	The closer a Receiving Water is to the discharge, the less chance there is for dispersion, dilution, or degradation of the potential Pollutant. Therefore, the closer the discharge is to Receiving Waters, the higher priority of the violation.
Magnitude of Discharge (volume and mass)	A larger Illegal Discharge should be of a higher priority than a smaller Illegal Discharge because as the magnitude of the Pollutant discharge increases the extent of impact of the discharge on the environment increases as well.
Responsiveness of the Discharger in taking corrective actions	A discharger who is responsive and implements a good faith effort to correct a violation is more likely to minimize adverse impacts to surface water quality than a discharger who takes no action to correct a violation. Therefore, the priority of a violation should decrease as the responsiveness of the discharger increases.
Intent of the Discharger	Is the violation accidental or the result of an accident or a deliberate attempt to circumvent regulations?
Frequency of the Violation	Violations of local Stormwater Ordinances and erosion control ordinances that are continuous or reoccurring should be of a higher priority than isolated occurrences of violations. The more frequent a violation, the more likely it is that the discharge will impact surface water quality.
Previous History of Non-Compliance of the Responsible Party	A poor history of non-compliance of a discharger should result in a higher prioritization of subsequent violations as compared to a discharger with a good history of compliance because a history of non-compliance is evidence of a discharger's lack of concern for complying with local stormwater and erosion control ordinances.

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# Severity of Violations



Table 3-2. Severity of Violations

Factors Affecting the Severity of Violations	Severity Priority Level		
	High	Medium	Low
Pollutant characteristics	Hazardous Materials (e.g., pesticides and solvents)	Metals, nutrients, sediment, other non-Hazardous Materials	Trash and debris
Sensitivity of Receiving Waters	Drinking water source, wildlife refuge, Illegal Discharges containing Pollutants identified as Impairing the Receiving Water.	Recreational reservoir, riparian habitat	Dry, ephemeral stream
Proximity of Receiving Waters	Adjacent	Several hundred feet away	Several hundred yards away
Discharge magnitude	1000's of gallons	100's of gallons	10's of gallons
Responsiveness of discharger	No action to contain or mitigate discharge	Reactive to control discharge when requested (i.e., cooperative)	Implements spill control plan at own initiative or shows good faith effort to respond
Intent of violation	Intentional	Discharge due to lack of controls or negligence	Implemented and maintained controls that failed (i.e., accident)
Frequency of violation	Continuous	Intermittent	Isolated incident
Previous history of discharger	Enforcement and cleanup historically resisted and more than one previous violation	Enforcement and cleanup performed when threatened and one or less previous violations	Enforcement and cleanup performed when requested and no previous violations

*Excerpt from Riverside County DAMP*

# Regional Board Notification



- ▶ Each Co-permittee must notify the Santa Ana Regional Board by telephone or email within two (2) working days of receiving notice of potential non-compliance with the Construction Activity permits of a non-emergency nature. Examples:
  - ▶ Site can't demonstrate coverage under the applicable permit
  - ▶ Site does not have a SWPPP available
  - ▶ Site BMPs are not properly maintained



# Annual Reports



- ▶ Each Co-permittee must complete and submit an Annual Report Form each year

Figure 7-2. Standardized Spreadsheet for Co-Permittee Construction Site Inspections

PROJECT GENERAL INFORMATION														MUNICIPAL PERMITS See Note C.				DEVELOPER INFORMATION				SITE CONTACT INFORMATION		ENFORCEMENT STATUS See Note D.																
Facility Name (Site) See Note A.	Project Location							Project Type	Project Priority	No. of Stormwater Inspections	Site Size	WDD No. (General Permit)	Grading Permit No. (S)	Other Permits: Street Building, Encroachment, Right-of-Way, etc.	Name	Contact Name	Mailing Address			Phone Number	Name (24 Hour)	Phone Number (24 Hour)	Satisfactory	Verbal Warning	Written Warning	Notice of Violation	Stop Work Order	Referred to RWQCD												
	Street Address	Cross Street	City	Zip	Treat No. or Assessment No. See Note B	Waterbody	Street Address										City	Zip																						

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# Construction General Permit Overview

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# Construction General Permit

## Effective Dates & Type of Projects Covered



- ▶ **Construction General Permit**
  - ▶ Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ
  - ▶ Adopted September 1, 2009, Effective July 1, 2010
  - ▶ Amended by Orders
    - ▶ 2010-0014-DWQ - Clarified definition of LRP
    - ▶ 2012-0006-DWQ - Removed non ATS NELs
  - ▶ Covers construction or demolition activity or any other activity that results in a land disturbance of  $\geq 1$  ac
    - ▶ Includes smaller sites if part of a larger plan of development
    - ▶ Some sites  $\geq 1$  ac and  $\leq 5$  ac **may** qualify for an erosivity waiver
  - ▶ Covers both
    - ▶ Traditional Projects
    - ▶ Linear Utility Projects (e.g., Underground or Overhead Power Lines, Pipelines, Communication Lines, etc., but **not roads**)

# Construction General Permit Obtaining Coverage



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- ▶ **Construction General Permit, Continued...**
  - ▶ CGP coverage is obtained by filing for coverage via SMARTS
    - ▶ Electronically submit Permit Registration Documents (PRDs)
      - ▶ Notice of Intent (NOI)
      - ▶ Risk Assessment
      - ▶ Site Map
      - ▶ Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
      - ▶ Certification by the Legally Responsible Party (LRP)
    - ▶ Annual fees submitted via [mail](#) (SAR municipal CIP projects pay no fee)
    - ▶ Proof of coverage is the Waste Discharge Identification (WDID) issued electronically after fees are received (SAR municipal CIP projects receive an Application ID)
      - ▶ Construction may not begin until the WDID is obtained and can be presented on demand

*Water Boards: Storm Water Multi...*

**Notice Of Intents Search Results**

Following are the results that matched with your

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App ID	WDID	Application Type	Status	Status Date
497925		Region 8 MS4 CIPs	Active	05/21/2018
497775		Region 8 MS4 CIPs	Active	05/17/2018
497703		Region 8 MS4 CIPs	Active	05/17/2018
497205		Region 8 MS4 CIPs	Active	05/01/2018
496986		Region 8 MS4 CIPs	Active	05/22/2018

# Construction General Permit

## Important Provisions



- ▶ **Construction General Permit, Continued...**
  - ▶ **A Risk-Based Permit**
    - ▶ Risk is based on two factors
      - ▶ Project's Sediment Risk
      - ▶ Project's Receiving Water Risk
  - ▶ **Specifies essential minimums that increase with project risk**
    - ▶ BMP requirements
    - ▶ Visual Observation (Inspection) requirements
    - ▶ Discharge Monitoring (Sampling) requirements
    - ▶ Receiving Water Monitoring (Sampling) requirements

# Construction General Permit

## Important Provisions – NALs and NELs



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### Construction General Permit, Continued...

#### Sets Numeric Action Levels

- ▶ pH:  $\leq 6.5$  Units or  $\geq 8.5$  Units
- ▶ Turbidity : 250 NTU
- ▶ When exceeded, requires actions to improve water quality
- ▶ Applies to Risk Level 2 and 3 and LUP Type 2 and 3 Projects

#### Sets Numeric Effluent Limitations (NELs)\*

- ▶ Turbidity: 10 NTU daily average, 20 NTU any one sample.
- ▶ Applies to Active Treatment Systems (ATS).

#### Set a Receiving Water Monitoring Triggers.

- ▶ pH:  $\leq 6.0$  Units or  $\geq 9.0$  Units.
- ▶ Turbidity :  $\geq 500$  mg/L.
- ▶ Applies to Risk Level 3 and LUP Type 3 Projects.

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\*NELs for construction site discharges only were removed by Order 2012-0006-DWQ

# Construction General Permit

## Minimum BMP Categories



- ▶ **Good Site Management (Housekeeping)**
  - ▶ Construction Materials Management
  - ▶ Waste Material Management
  - ▶ Vehicle Storage and Equipment Management
  - ▶ Landscape Materials Management
  - ▶ Air Deposition of Site Materials Management
- ▶ **Non-Storm Water Management**
  - ▶ Non-Storm Water Discharge Control
  - ▶ Vehicle Washing Controls
  - ▶ Street Cleaning Controls
- ▶ **Erosion Control**
  - ▶ Wind Erosion Control
  - ▶ Erosion Control (Soil Cover) for Inactive Areas
  - ▶ Limited Use of Plastic

# Construction General Permit

## Minimum BMP Categories



- ▶ **Sediment Control**
  - ▶ Perimeter Controls
  - ▶ Entrance and Exit Controls
  - ▶ Sediment Basin Management
  - ▶ Erosion and Sediment Control for Active Areas
  - ▶ Linear Sediment Controls at Toe/Along Face of Slopes
  - ▶ Construction Traffic Management
  - ▶ Perimeter Controls and DI Protection at Entrances/Exits
  - ▶ Access Road Management
- ▶ **Run-on and Runoff Control**
- ▶ **Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair**
- ▶ **Rain Event Action Plans**



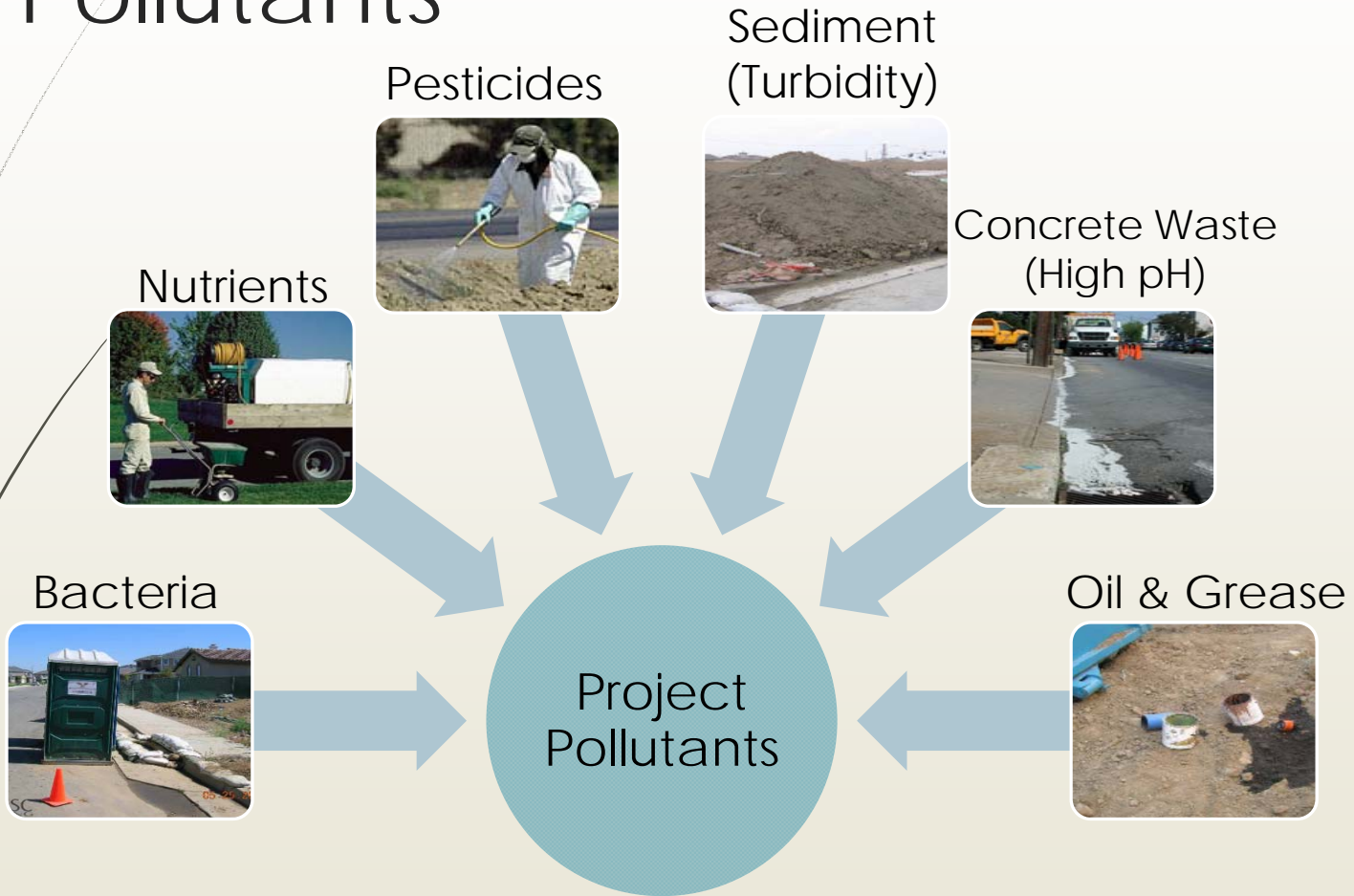
# Is all this “prevention” really necessary?



- ▶ Yes!
- ▶ The agency that you work for must comply with its NPDES Stormwater Permit.
  - ▶ Including the requirement to control discharges from construction sites (both agency and permitted sites).



# Common Construction Site Pollutants



# As We Continue Today



- ▶ Consider what the Pollutants of Concern might be in a particular situation.
- ▶ Consider what's needed to keep those Pollutants of Concern from leaving the construction site.
- ▶ Let's discuss things as we go along!
- ▶ Remember the Common Construction Site Pollutants
  - ▶ Bacteria
  - ▶ Nutrients
  - ▶ Pesticides
  - ▶ Oil and Grease
  - ▶ Sediment and Cement Waste (Potential Monitoring)



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# Construction Site BMP Implementation

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# Construction Site BMP Implementation



- ▶ The following are BMPs required in the Construction General Permit:
  - ▶ Good Site Management “Housekeeping”
  - ▶ Non-Storm Water Management
  - ▶ Erosion Control
  - ▶ Sediment Control
  - ▶ Run-on and Run-off Control

# Good Site Management “Housekeeping”



- ▶ **What is Housekeeping?**
  - ▶ **Managing the following on a construction site:**
    - ▶ **Construction Materials**
    - ▶ **Waste**
    - ▶ **Vehicle Storage and Maintenance**
    - ▶ **Landscape Materials**
    - ▶ **Potential Pollutant Sources**
    - ▶ **Air Deposition of Site Materials and Operations**

# Management of Construction Materials



- ▶ Stockpiles
  - ▶ Soils
  - ▶ Spoils
  - ▶ Aggregate
  - ▶ Fly-ash
  - ▶ Stucco
  - ▶ Hydrated Lime
- ▶ What's wrong here?
- ▶ What's missing?



# Management of Construction Materials



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- ▶ Are stockpiled materials covered and bermed?



[Not actively being used]





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- ▶ Are stockpiles out of flow lines, away from water courses?
  - ▶ 50 feet recommended



Drainage swale to inlet

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# Management of Construction Materials



- ▶ Are stockpiles protected from stormwater run-on using temporary sediment barriers?

- ▶ Silt fence
- ▶ Fiber rolls
- ▶ Gravel bag berm



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▶ Are cold mix stockpiles

- ▶ Placed on plastic sheeting?
- ▶ Covered & bermed?

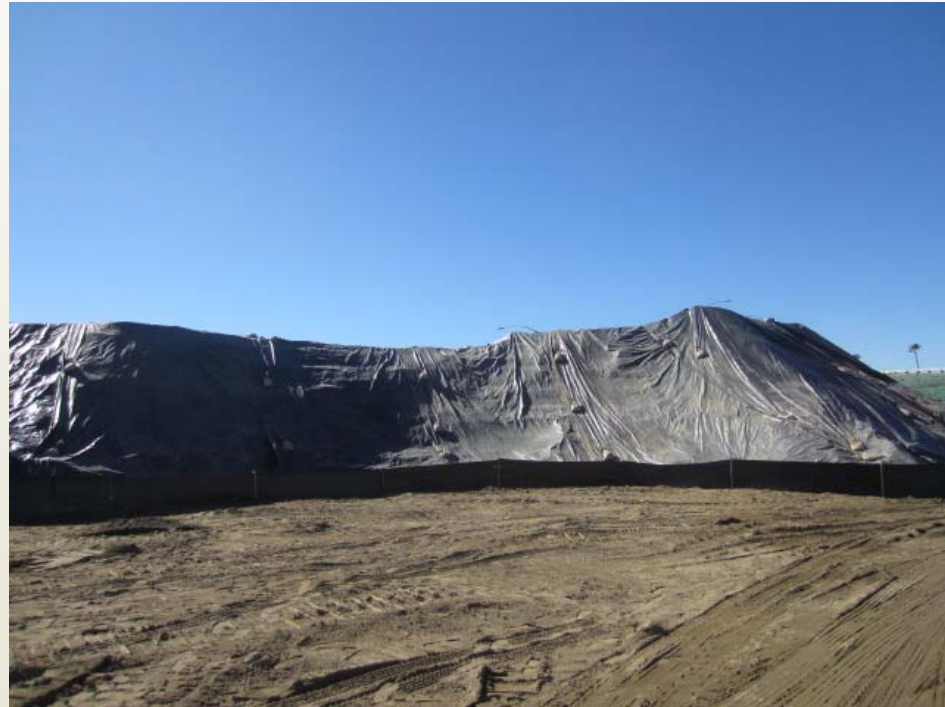


# Management of Construction Materials



▶ Are wind erosion controls implemented on soil stockpiles:

- ▶ Water
- ▶ Hydraulic mulch
- ▶ Geo-textiles
- ▶ Soil binders



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# Management of Construction Materials



- ▶ Are stockpiles covered and bermed?
  - ▶ Stockpiles of materials that may raise the pH of runoff.
    - ▶ Important for Risk Level 2 sites.
  - ▶ Stockpiles of pressure treated wood.
    - ▶ Treated with copper or zinc arsenate.



# Management of Construction Materials



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- ▶ Are chemicals stored in watertight containers with secondary containment?



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# Management of Construction Materials



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▶ Are chemicals stored in watertight containers with secondary containment?

- ▶ Fuels
- ▶ Oils
- ▶ Hydraulic Fluids



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- ▶ Are chemicals stored in watertight containers with secondary containment?
  - ▶ Curing compound
  - ▶ Concrete Admixtures



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# Management of Construction Materials



- ▶ Are chemicals stored in a completely enclosed storage shed?



# Management of Construction Materials



- ▶ Are portable tanks in a lined and bermed area?

Fiber roll under plastic barrier





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# Management of Construction Materials

- ▶ Is the exposure of materials to precipitation minimized?



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# Minimize exposure of materials to precipitation.



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- ▶ Are bagged and boxed materials stored on pallets and under cover?



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# Waste Management



- ▶ Is the contractor preventing disposal of rinse or wash waters or materials?
  - ▶ on impervious surfaces
  - ▶ on pervious site surfaces
  - ▶ or into the storm drain system
- ▶ Covers the whole site!





- ▶ Are washout bins watertight and plastic lined?



**Cover during a rain event.**

# Waste Management



- ▶ Is concrete washout contained?



**Not so good!**

# Waste Management



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- ▶ Do concrete washout areas
  - ▶ Provide leak-proof bins?
  - ▶ Adequately sized?



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# Waste Management



- ▶ Are concrete washout areas designated?

Could use a sign

Watch for Tracking  
Tracking Control may be needed



# Waste Management



- ▶ Are concrete washout areas
  - ▶ Located at least 50 ft. from inlets and water courses?



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**Location, Location, Location!**

# Waste Management



- ▶ Ensure the containment of sanitation facilities (e.g., portable toilets)



Spill containment pans

# Waste Management



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- ▶ Ensure the containment of sanitation facilities (e.g., portable toilets)



Bermed containment area  
Gravel with a plastic liner

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# Waste Management



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- ▶ Are sanitation facilities clean?
- ▶ Inspect them for leaks and spills



Area around facility  
is neat and clean

No signs of paper waste

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# Waste Management



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- ▶ Are sanitation facilities out of streets?
- ▶ And away from inlets and water courses?



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- ▶ Are stockpiled waste materials contained?



**Neatly stockpiled but a steel bin is more secure.**

# Waste Management



- ▶ Are waste disposal containers covered at the end of every business day and during a rain event?

Trash receptacles should be equipped with attached lids





# Waste Management



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- ▶ Are discharges from waste disposal containers prevented from reaching the storm water drainage system or receiving water?



Adequate size  
for job

Silt fence linear  
barrier

Trash picked up on  
a regular basis

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# Waste Management



- ▶ Are hazardous wastes
  - ▶ Stored in sealed containers
  - ▶ Properly labeled
  - ▶ In secondary containment
    - ▶ Properly sized
    - ▶ Impervious for 72 hour contact
    - ▶ Adequate spacing of containers



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# Waste Management



- ▶ Are procedures established for potential hazardous and non-hazardous spills?
- ▶ Is there a spill response and implementation element in the SWPPP?
  - ▶ Equipment and materials for cleanup
  - ▶ Appropriate spill personnel
    - ▶ Designate a point of contact
  - ▶ **TRAINING!**





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# Break Time

**Stretch Your Legs!**

**Back in 15 Minutes!**

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# Vehicle Storage and Maintenance



- ▶ Is oil, grease, or fuel prevented from leaking?

**Contaminated soil is now a Hazardous Waste!**



# Vehicle Storage and Maintenance



- ▶ Are there plastic barriers under maintenance operations?





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# Vehicle Storage and Maintenance

- ▶ Are equipment or vehicles stored in a designated area fitted with appropriate BMPs?



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Impervious surface  
Bermed area

# Vehicle Storage and Maintenance



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- ▶ Are leaks cleaned up immediately and wastes properly disposed?
  - ▶ If hazardous, then handle and store in accordance with Federal, State, and local requirements.



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# Landscape Materials



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▶ Are stockpiled landscape materials properly contained?

- ▶ Mulches
- ▶ Topsoil
- ▶ Fertilizers

Too close to an inlet & improper implementation of BMP at inlet.



Not actively being used

# Landscape Materials



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- ▶ Are landscape materials stacked on pallets and covered when not being used.

Needs to be covered  
Potential for pollutant to  
contaminate storm water run-off



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# Landscape Materials



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- ▶ Application of erodible landscape materials should be discontinued 48 hours prior to forecasted rain event.
- ▶ Erodible landscape materials should be applied per manufacturers specifications or written specifications by certified personnel.

# Potential Pollutant Sources



- ▶ When inspecting BMPs consider the following:
  - ▶ Quantity and physical characteristic of material
    - ▶ Liquid
    - ▶ Powders
    - ▶ Solid

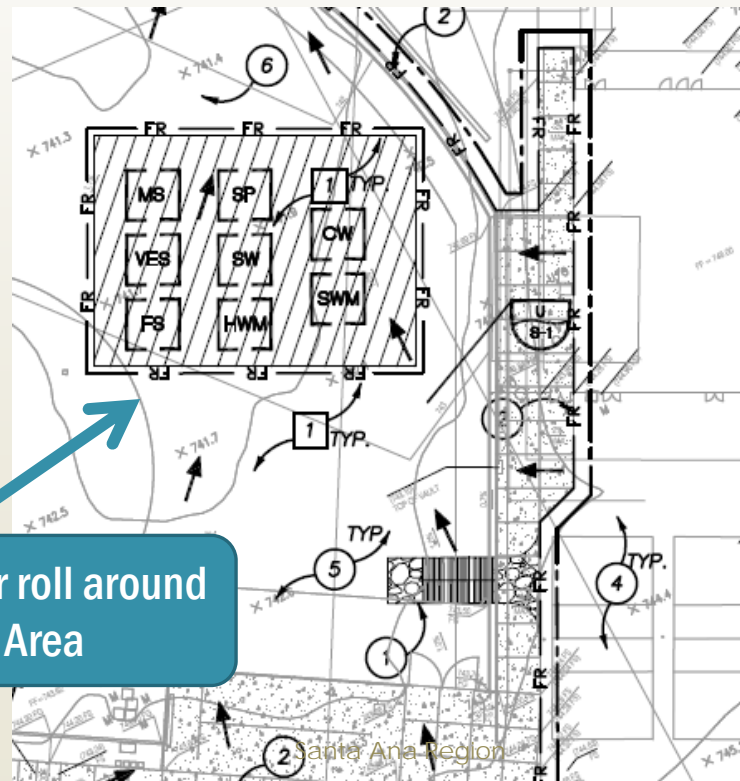
*How will it react with  
Stormwater flows?*
  - ▶ Locations of potential pollutant sources
    - ▶ How close are materials stored to drainage inlets or pathways?

# Potential Pollutant Sources



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- Identify any areas of the site where additional BMPS are necessary



STOCKPILES PER CASQA BMP WM-3. LOCATION FIELD LOCATED BY THE QSP. THE QSP SHALL STOCKPILES ON THE SITE MAP ACCORDINGLY.

## LEGEND

MS	MATERIAL STORAGE (WM-1, WM-2)
VES	VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE (NS-10)
FS	FUEL STORAGE (NS-9)
SP	STOCKPILE MANAGEMENT (WM-3)
SW	SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT (WM-5)
HWM	HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT (WM-6)
CW	CONCRETE WASHOUT (WM-8)
SWM	SANITARY WASTE MANAGEMENT (WM-9)

# Air Deposition of Site Materials and Operations



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## ▶ Pollutant particulates can include:

- ▶ Sediment
- ▶ Nutrients
- ▶ Trash
- ▶ Metals
- ▶ Bacteria
- ▶ Oil
- ▶ Grease
- ▶ Organics



# Air Deposition of Site Materials and Operations



## ▶ Pollutant particulates:

- ▶ Nutrients
- ▶ Metals
- ▶ Bacteria
- ▶ Oil
- ▶ Grease
- ▶ Organics

## ▶ Are materials

- ▶ Covered
- ▶ Contained
- ▶ Stored in an enclosure



# Air Deposition of Site Materials and Operations



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- ▶ **Pollutant particulates: Sediment**
  - ▶ Soils easily dry out in our California climate
  - ▶ During Windy Conditions
  - ▶ Earth moving operations
- ▶ **Are contractors applying:**
  - ▶ Water to dry soils
  - ▶ Soil binders
  - ▶ Mulch







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# Air Deposition of Site Materials and Operations

- ▶ Pollutant particulates: Trash
  - ▶ Is all trash contained?
  - ▶ Is there a wind fence?



Wind blown lunch trash

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# Non-Storm Water Management



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- ▶ **Are contractors:**
  - ▶ Implementing measures to control all non-storm water dischargers during construction.
  - ▶ Washing vehicles in a manner to prevent discharges to surface waters or MS4 drainage systems.
  - ▶ Cleaning streets without discharges.

# Non-Storm Water Management



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## Non-Storm Water Discharges

Control generally means to prevent or eliminate the discharge of non-stormwater from the construction site.

### Exceptions

The CGP authorizes certain non-storm water discharges:

- ▶ Dechlorinated potable water;
- ▶ Fire hydrant flush water;
- ▶ Irrigation water from vegetative erosion controls;
- ▶ Pipe flushing and testing;
- ▶ Dust control water;
- ▶ Uncontaminated groundwater from dewatering; and
- ▶ Other discharges not subject to a separate NPDES permit.

**Discharges must comply with CGP conditions.**

# Erosion Control



- ▶ Has effective wind erosion control been implemented?
- ▶ Has effective soil cover been provided for inactive areas and all finished slopes, open space, utility backfill, and completed lots? (CGP Requirement).
- ▶ Dischargers shall limit the use of plastic materials when more sustainable, environmentally friendly alternatives exist.

## Inactive Areas

Areas of construction activity  
that have been disturbed  
and are not scheduled to be re-disturbed  
for at least 14 days.

# Erosion Control



Is effective wind erosion control implemented?



# Dust Control



# Erosion Controls



Surface roughening

Soil binder in high wind areas.

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# Erosion Control



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Hydraulic Mulch evenly applied (No shadowing)

Are contractors providing effective soil cover for inactive areas and all finished slopes, open space, utility backfill, and completed lots?

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# Erosion Control



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## Erosion Control Blankets



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# Sediment Controls



- ▶ Are controls installed, maintained, and effective?
  - ▶ Perimeters
  - ▶ Construction entrance and exits
  - ▶ Drain inlets
- ▶ Are basins designed per CASQA BMP Manual?

# Sediment Controls



Multi-layer gravel bag linear barrier.



The ends of the bags should overlap.

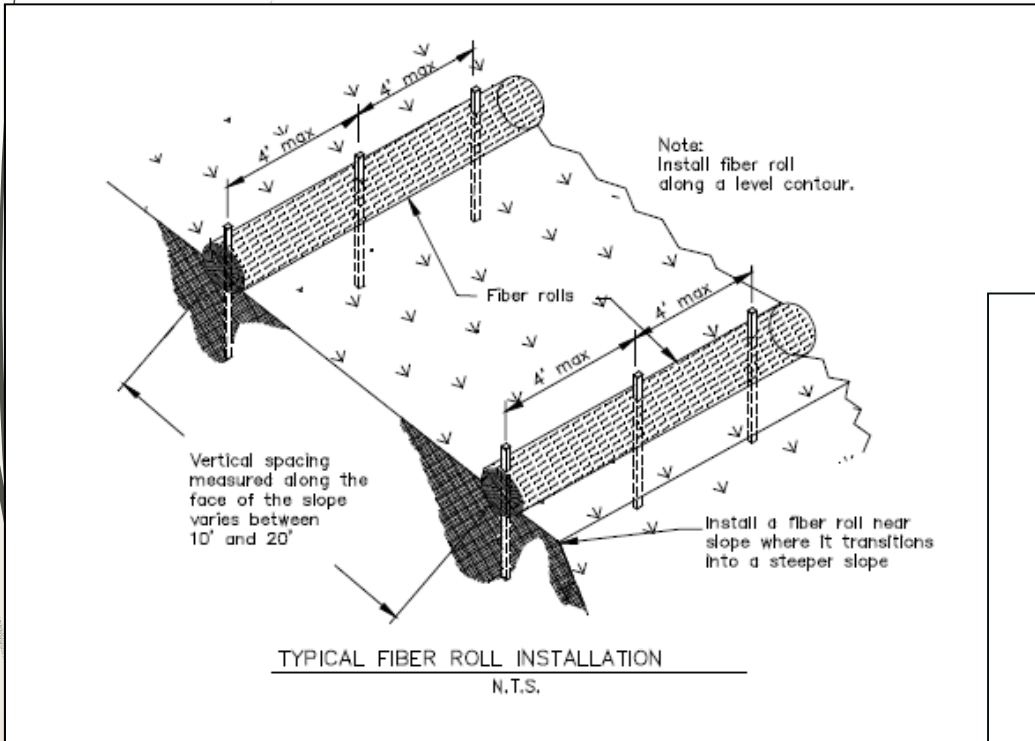
# Sediment Controls



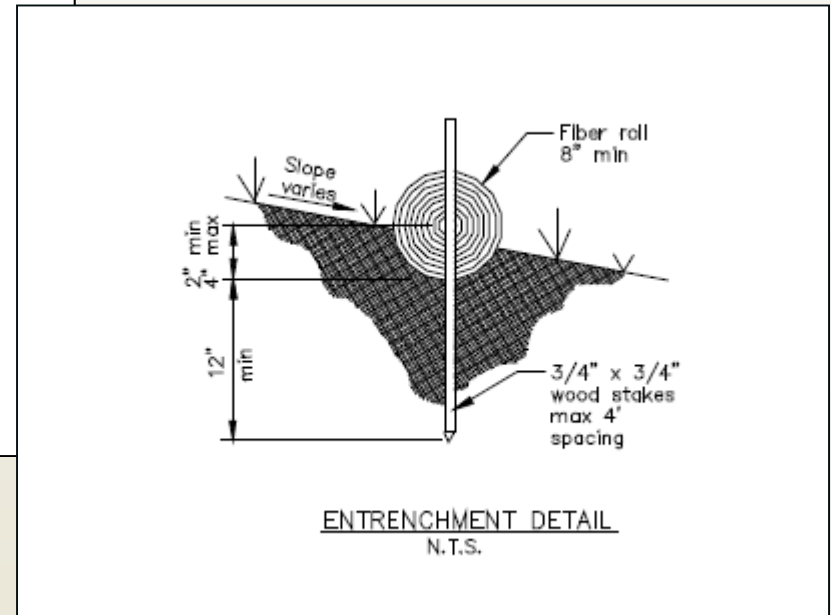
Fiber roll linear barriers.  
Properly staked and overlapped.

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# Perimeter Controls



**Fiber roll installation.**

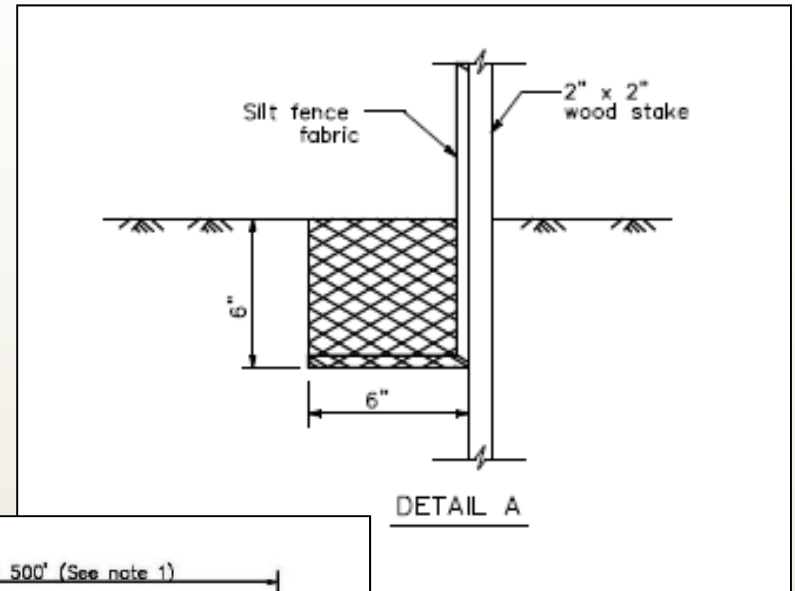
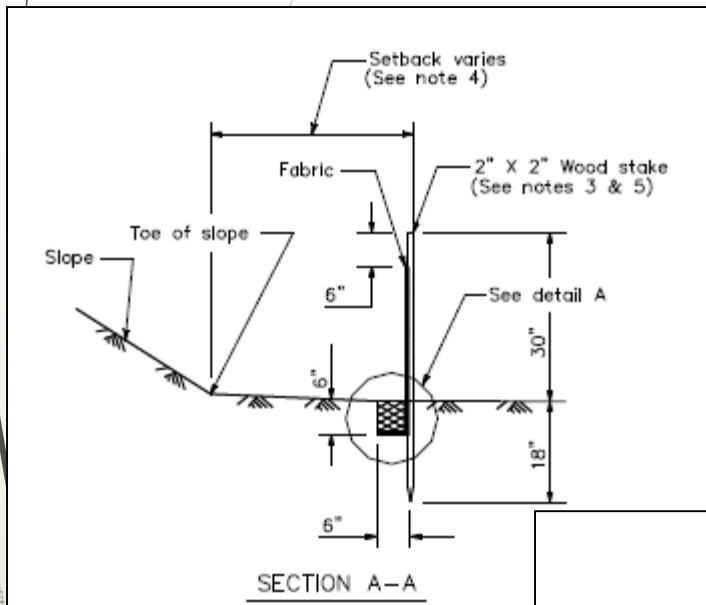


# Perimeter Controls

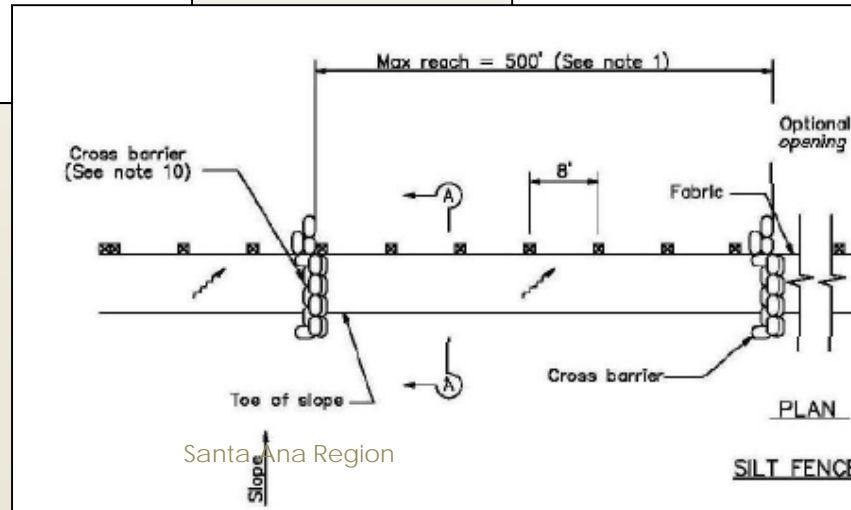


Silt fence linear barriers.  
Stakes are on the downgrade side.

# Perimeter Controls



Silt fence installation.



# Perimeter Control





# Sediment Controls



**Drain Inlets are considered a perimeter where storm water could leave the site.**



# Sediment Controls at Drain Inlet



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# Sediment Controls



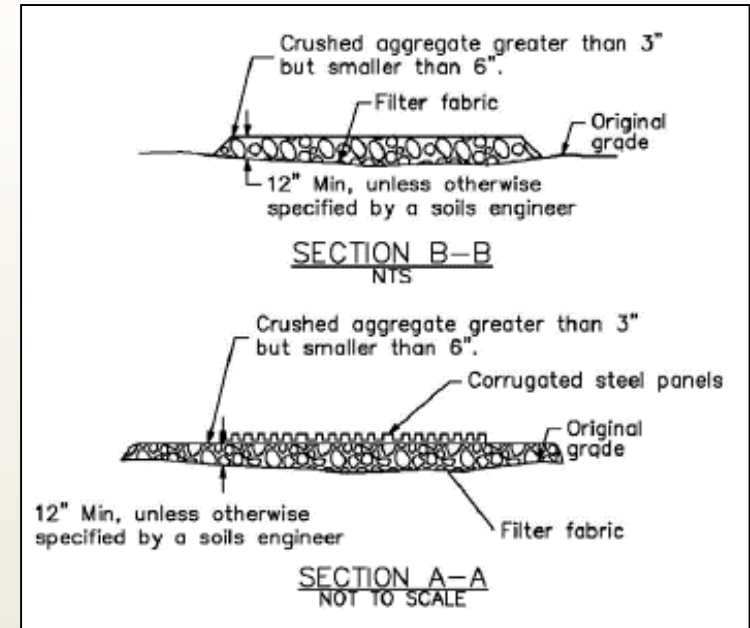
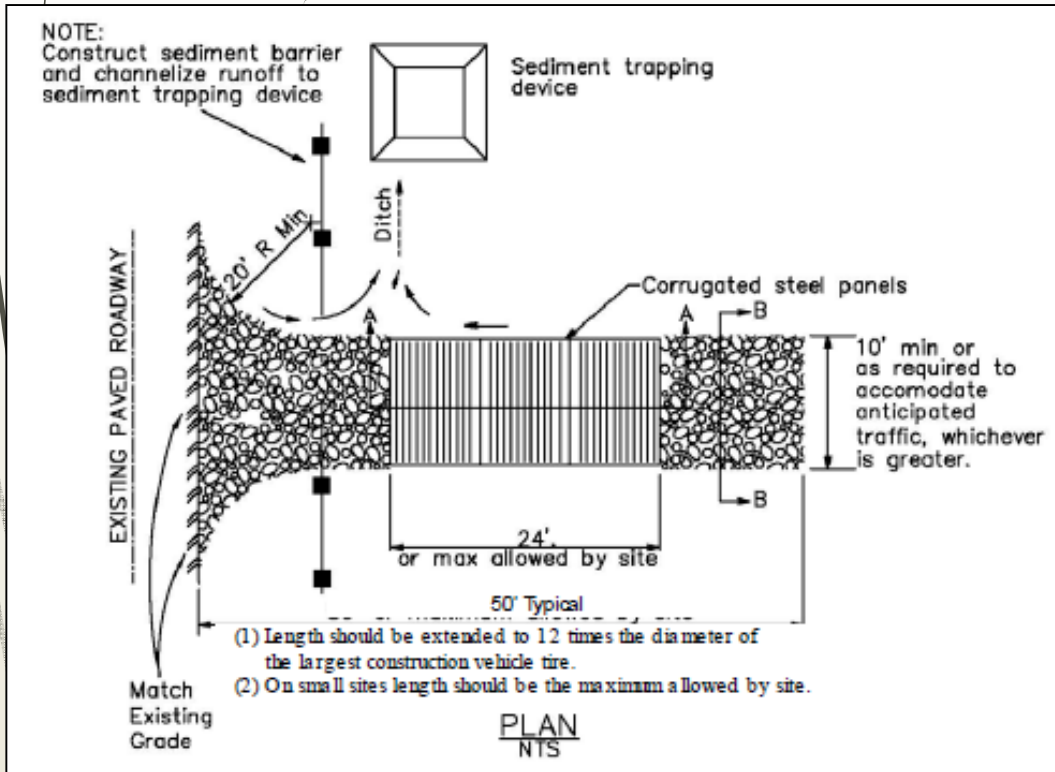
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Are construction entrances and exits stabilized to sufficiently control erosion and sediment discharges from the site?



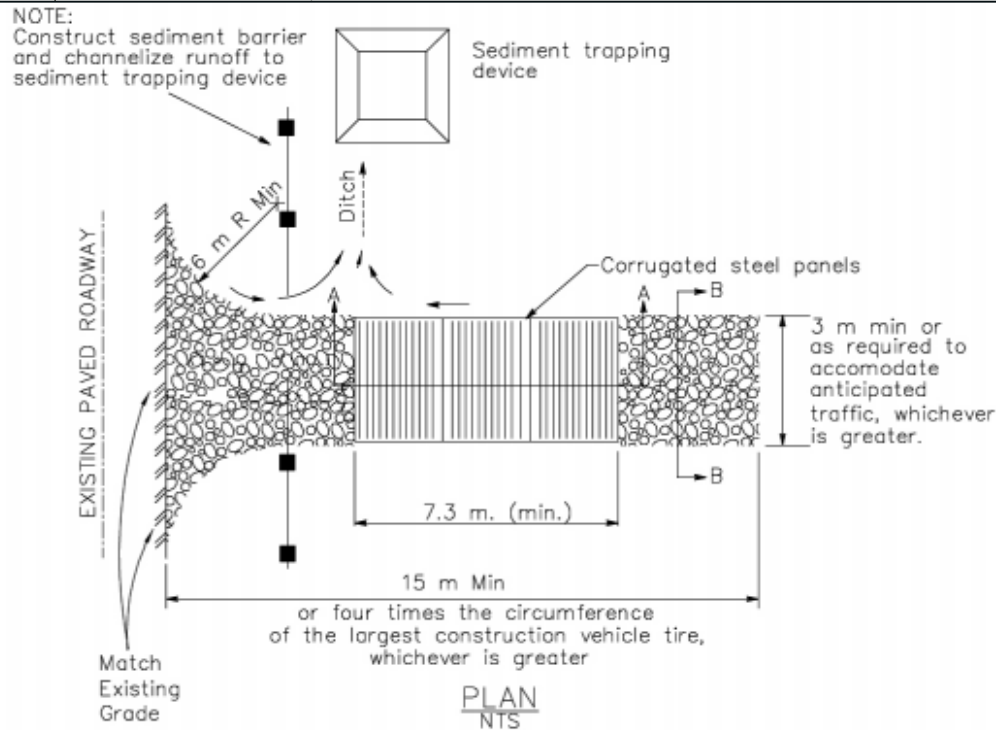
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# Sediment Controls

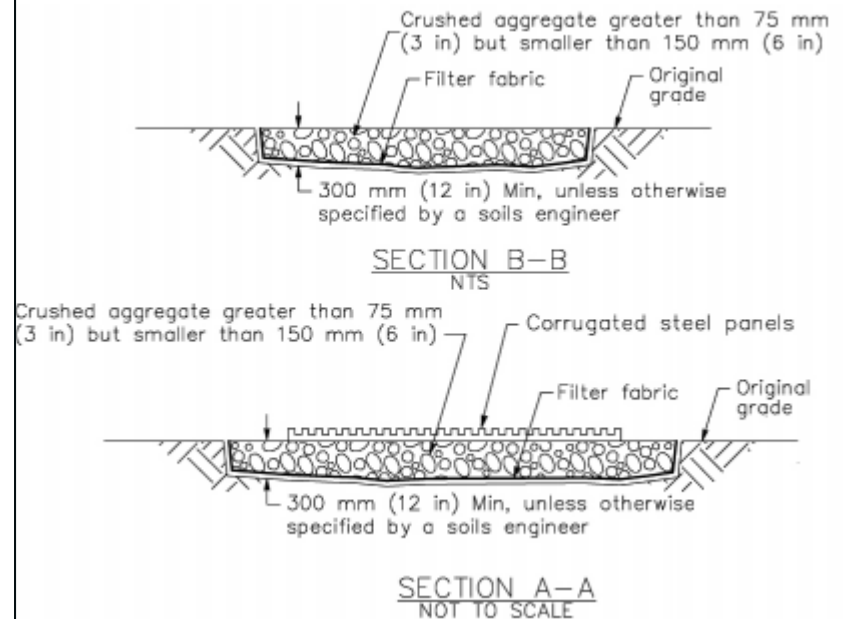


## CASQA Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit Installation

# Sediment Controls



Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit (Type 2)



## Caltrans Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit Installation

# Street Sweeping/Track-Out Control



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## Additional Risk Level 2 & 3



- ▶ Implement appropriate erosion control BMPs (runoff control and soil stabilization) in conjunction with sediment control BMPs for areas under active construction
- ▶ Apply linear sediment controls along the toe of the slope, face of the slope, and at the grade breaks of exposed slopes
  - ▶ Table 1 in Attachment D

# Sediment Control

## Sediment Controls on Slopes – Risk Level 2 & 3



- ▶ The CGP requires linear sediment controls along the toe of the slope, face of the slope, and at grade breaks of exposed slopes.

### Critical Slope/Sheet Flow Length Combinations

<u>Slope Percentage</u>	<u>Sheet Flow Length Not to Exceed</u>
0 – 25%	20 feet
25 – 50%	15 feet
Over 50%	10 feet



# Sediment Control

## Sediment Controls on Slopes – Risk Level 2 & 3



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- ▶ **Linear sediment controls must be used on slopes.**



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# Sediment Control

## Sediment Controls on Slopes – Risk Level 2 & 3



Silt Fence at Toe

Fiber Roll on Face

Track Walking

# Erosion & Sediment Control



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Hydraulic mulch and fiber rolls on slope at a Risk Level 2 project.



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# Erosion & Sediment Control



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Hydraulic mulch and gravel bag check dams in flow path of a Risk Level 2 site.



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# Sediment Control

## Erosion and Sediment Control – Risk Level 2 & 3



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- ▶ The CGP requires that Risk Level 2 & 3 projects implement erosion controls (runoff control and soil stabilization) in conjunction with sediment controls for areas under active construction.

### Active Areas

Areas of construction undergoing  
land surface disturbance.

This includes construction activity during the preliminary  
stage, mass grading stage, streets and utilities stage,  
and the vertical construction stage.

# 0 Additional Risk Level 2 & 3



- ▶ Limit project access to effective construction entrances.
- ▶ Ensure all inlets are maintained and protected.
- ▶ Inspect on a daily basis all immediate access roads daily and prior to a rain event remove sediment or materials.
- ▶ Perimeter controls, runoff controls, and controls at entrances and exits maintained and protected from activities that reduce their effectiveness.

# 1 Sediment Controls



Controlled access point limits the potential of track out.



# Sediment Control

## Sediment Basin Management



- ▶ **The CGP requires sediment basins be designed according to the CASQA optional methods.**
  - ▶ **Option 1 - Design sediment basin based on:**
    - ▶ Settling velocity of the design particle size determined using wet sieve analysis;
    - ▶ Peak basin flow rate for the 10 year, 6-hour flow; and the
    - ▶ EPA basin efficiency reduction factor of 1.2 (Safety Factor).
  - ▶ **Option 2 - Design pursuant to local ordinance.**
  - ▶ **Option 3 - Use an equivalent surface area design or equation that is equal or more protective than Option 1.**
- ▶ **CASQA also specifies the criteria for basin configuration.**



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## Run-on and Runoff Controls



- ▶ Is Run-on and runoff effectively managed?
- ▶ Is Run-on directed away from all disturbed areas
- ▶ Or be in compliance with effluent limitations of the General Permit?

# 4 Run-on and Runoff Controls



Gravel bag check dams in curb flow lines

# 5 Run-on and Runoff Controls



# 6 Run-on and Runoff Controls



- ▶ Runoff control using a temporary diversion during grading phase.



# 7 Run-on and Runoff Controls



- ▶ Runoff control using a temporary diversion during grading phase.





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# 8 Additional CGP Requirements

# Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair



- ▶ The CGP requires that BMPs be inspected, maintained, and repaired.
- ▶ Inspection, maintenance, and repair shall be performed or supervised by a Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP).
- ▶ When failures or other shortcomings are identified, must begin implementing repairs or design changes to BMPs within 72 hours of identification and completed the changes as soon as possible.

# 0 Inspection, Maintenance, and Repair



## ▶ Inspections:

- ▶ Weekly;
- ▶ Within 48-hours prior to a Qualifying Rain Event;
- ▶ Once each 24-hours during extended storms;
- ▶ Within 48-hours after a Qualifying Rain Event; and
- ▶ When store storm water from a Qualifying Rain Event is released.
- ▶ Exceptions:
  - ▶ During dangerous weather conditions such as flooding and electrical storms; and
  - ▶ Outside of scheduled business hours.
  - ▶ When exceptions are utilized, they must be explained in the SWPPP and Annual Report.



# Rain Event Action Plan

Risk Level 2 & 3



## ▶ Rain Events Action Plan (REAP)

- ▶ Apply to Risk Level 2 and Risk Level 3 sites.
  - ▶ The SWPPP will identify the site's Risk Level.
- ▶ Required for active sites.
- ▶ Required for inactive sites (halted, postponed, etc.)
- ▶ Triggered by a Likely Precipitation Event 48 hours out.
- ▶ The Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP) is responsible for ensuring the REAP is prepared.

# Rain Event Action Plan



## ➤ Risk Level 2 & 3

- The QSP must develop the REAP
- **48 hours** prior to any likely precipitation event.
- Forecast to have a **50% or greater** probability of producing precipitation in the project area.
- The REAP must be onsite and be implemented **24 hours in advance** of a predicted precipitation event per NOAA's National Weather Service Forecast.

# Rain Event Action Plan



- ▶ **Must include the following site and phase-specific information:**
  - ▶ Site Address
  - ▶ Calculated Risk Level (2 or 3)
  - ▶ Site Stormwater Manager (24-hour phone #)
  - ▶ Erosion and Sediment Control Provider (24-hour phone #)
  - ▶ Stormwater Sampling Agent (24-hour phone #)
  - ▶ Activities associated with each construction phase
  - ▶ Trades active on the construction site during each phase
  - ▶ Trade contractor information
  - ▶ Suggested actions for each Project phase

# 4 Sampling



- ▶ If Risk Level 2 & 3
  - ▶ Is site in compliance with sampling and analysis requirements?
  - ▶ Sampling and analysis of construction site runoff and non-storm water discharge for pH and turbidity;

# Notice of Termination (NOT)



- ▶ **The Regional Water Board will consider a construction site complete only when (Cont'd)**
  - ▶ Compliance with the Post-Construction Standards in Section XIII of the General Permit has been demonstrated;
  - ▶ Post-construction storm water management measures have been installed and a long-term maintenance plan has been established; and
  - ▶ All construction-related equipment, materials and any temporary BMPs no longer needed are removed from the site.

# 6 Training Limitations



- ▶ The information in this training is general so as to cover many types of sites under a wide range of conditions.
- ▶ For site specific requirements, reference should be made to:
  - ▶ The Construction General Permit and MS4 permit; and
  - ▶ The project SWPPP.



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# Questions and Answers