

New Construction General Permit Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Requirements, Effective July 1, 2010

When must a property owner have an approved SWPPP on-site before grading begins?

- When construction will involve land disturbance of one (1) acre or more.
- When construction on less than one (1) acre is part of a larger common plan of development.
- When construction on less than one (I) acre is part of the sale of one or more acres of disturbed land surface.
- When construction activity will occur on land currently used for agriculture.
- When the project is a Linear Underground/Overhead Utility Construction Project.

What does the NEW CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PERMIT require:

- A SWPPP prepared by a Qualified SWPPP Developer (QSD).
- Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP) oversight of SWPPP BMPs.
- Electronic filing of permit compliance documents and discharge violations, including the Notice of Intent, Risk Assessment, Site Map, Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), the annual fee, and a certification statement signed by the Legally Responsible Party.
- Visual monitoring of storm water and non-storm water discharges.
- Sampling, analysis and monitoring of non-visible pollutants.
- Determination of a project's risk (Level I, 2 or 3) for accelerated erosion and sedimentation.
- Development of a Rain Event Action Plan (REAP) for projects with Risk Levels of 2 or 3.
- Numeric Effluent Limitations for pH and turbidity on sites with Risk Levels of 2 or 3.
- Receiving water monitoring for Risk Level 3, with potential for effluent monitoring violations.
- Pre— and Post—construction bio-assessment of receiving waters (Risk Level 3) when the project is thirty (30) acres or more in size.
- An electronically filed Annual Report, with storm water sampling and analysis summaries and training documentation for persons responsible for SWPPP implementation.
- Paper and electronic copies of all required records to be retained for three years.

This information does not seek to interpret the Construction General Permit or U.S. EPA, State Water Resources Control Board or Central Coast Regional Water Board policy or regulations, and is not intended to be complete, but rather to highlight commonly applicable features of Construction General Permit 2009-0009-DWQ as they apply to development in Lompoc.

For more infomation, the Construction General Permit can be found at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml.

The California Storm Water Quality Association's (CASQA) offers a new Construction General Permit Handbook for sale at its online store: http://www.cabmphandbooks.com/