

## **THIS IS AN ALERT REGARDING STATE OF WASHINGTON CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER GENERAL PERMIT (CSWGP) COVERAGE**

There seems to be confusion with builders that when the “building” stops, the permit requirements stop.

If the site is under 1 acre, there are no monitoring requirements in the permit with the exception of those sites discharging into an impaired (303(d) / TMDL) waterbody.

### **Otherwise, all construction sites one acre and larger covered by the CSWGP are required to:**

1. Have a CESCL conduct weekly stormwater sampling at discharge points; sampling is required more frequently if there are storm events, for the duration of permit coverage until formal termination.
2. Have a CESCL conduct weekly inspections of the entire site, for the duration of permit coverage until formal termination.
3. Submit monitoring data each month using Ecology’s online reporting program (WAWebDMR) that includes the data gathered in the weekly sampling, for the duration of permit coverage until the permittee receives written notification from Ecology that permit coverage has been terminated.
4. All reports are required to be filed on line at our WAWebDMR site. The Permittee/Operator must register your site in order to do this.
5. All of these conditions must be followed until the permit is formally terminated, which involves sending Ecology the Notice of Termination form, having a site inspection by an Ecology inspector, and having the termination approved by Ecology.
  - Please note that with the start-up of our electronic, on-line WAWebDMR system, our system will automatically note violations, including non-reporting.
  - Enforcement actions (including monetary penalties) will result for sites that are not reporting appropriately.
  - If a site has no discharge in a given week, you put “No Discharge” on your WAWebDMR for that week.
  - If a portion of a site that drains to an outfall has gone through final stabilization, you are no longer required to sample at that outfall, but you must 1) update your SWPPP; 2) contact your permit administrator at Ecology to have that outfall removed from the original information we received; and 3) continue to sample at all other outfalls on the site.
  - If the site has not gone through final stabilization, conditions 1-5 above must continue until termination (along with all other permit requirements). If the site has gone

through final stabilization, you or the Permittee/Operator may start the termination process.

### **Read the Permit.**

The following web sites provide information on everything I've discussed above. The Construction Stormwater General Permit site:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/#Application>

The WAWebDMR Information site:

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/index.html>

Please be sure you keep your site and your Permittee/Operator in compliance with the CSWGP. If you have any questions, contact the Permit Administrator for your county.

### **Contact the following staff for sites located in these areas:**

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