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2013 Construction Permit Coming soon

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency is scheduled to have a new National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Permit in effect in August 2013. Draft permit language should be available this winter for public comment and stakeholder meetings. Sign up for notifications regarding the reissuance of the CSW permit at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/MNPCA/subscriber/new>

Stormwater Construction permits need to be approved by the USEPA so understanding the current federal requirements can provide insight into what we may see in the new Minnesota permit. The USEPA developed Effluent Limitations Guidelines and new Source Performance Standards for Construction and Development point sources, which is also known as the C&D Rule. The C&D Rule had one component regarding a numeric effluent turbidity standard that has been withdrawn for now, but several remaining items could find their way into the new Minnesota Construction Permit. These are summarized as:

- Both volume and rate controls for stormwater runoff
- Erosion and sediment controls to be applied "immediately"

- Liquid waste associated with stucco, paint, and other construction materials will need to be contained similar to concrete liquid waste

- Site inspections will have to be done after a ¼ inch rainfall event

- Additional protection equivalent to a 50-foot buffer when working around lakes and rivers

- Pollution prevention efforts for construction materials such as oils, solvents, paints, etc.

Information on the new federal requirements can be found at the U.S.EPA Construction Stormwater web site: <http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/cgp.cfm>

2013 International Low Impact Development Symposium

The University of Minnesota Erosion and Stormwater Management program is co-hosting the 2013 International Low Impact Development Symposium on August 18-21, 2013 at the Saint Paul River Centre. Take advantage of this opportunity to hear about cutting edge stormwater management without having to travel across the country. For more information search on 2013 LID symposium or go to www.cce.umn.edu/lids2013.

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Ten Years of Training!

The University of Minnesota Erosion and Stormwater Management Certification Program was started in 2002, which means we have been providing high quality, affordable training around the state of Minnesota for 10 years. Our attendance in 2011-2012 set a record for us with over 2400 attendees in the certification classes alone, not counting many of the other non-certification training events the program has provided and participated in. Since 2002, the program has seen over 17,700 attendees in certification classes and currently has 5,255 individuals certified through the program.

All of this training has made a difference in protecting the waters we all use and live around. Many individuals and regulators have indicated a greater awareness of erosion control and surface water protection practices on construction sites. Minnesota is a strong leader for the nation in demonstrating good cost-effective means to develop land and protect our resources at the same time. Thank you everyone for your continued support of the University of Minnesota Erosion and Stormwater Management Certification Program.

Iron Enhanced Filter

A new training class on Enhanced Reactive Filters for Stormwater Treatment is being offered on 2/12/2013 in Bloomington. Go to www.erosion.umn.edu for more information.

Industrial Stormwater Permit Training

The Erosion and Stormwater Management Program offers several training opportunities for industrial facilities. The next class is scheduled for March 5 2013 in conjunction with the Minnesota Erosion Control Association (MECA) annual conference in St. Cloud. Additional classes will be posted at www.erosion.umn.edu.

Class Options

Remember, you have options on some recertification classes, to provide a variety of information for individuals who have recertified several times. The specialization topics have been used in the SWPPP Design Recertification classes and are now available in some Construction Site Management Recertification classes.

Look for additional letter codes in the class sections for indications of the specialization topic. More information is available at www.erosion.umn.edu/courses/Specialization.pdf

Customized Classes!

In addition to standardized curriculum we offer training customized to meet your specific needs. Sometimes this may just be using your chosen location, or it may involve developing new curriculum for your specific interests. Whatever your needs may be we are always interested in hearing from you. Please contact us if you have questions or interests in customized classes.

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