



**CITY OF LOMITA**  
PLANNING DIVISION  
MUNICIPAL NPDES REQUIREMENTS

**Priority I Construction Projects (1 Acre Or More)**

**Subject Construction Projects**

- Projects disturbing one (1) acre or more of soil by grading, clearing, and/or excavating (excluding maintaining original line and grade or hydraulic capacity).

**Minimum Requirements**

- Project must be covered under a General Construction Activity Storm Water Permit (GCASWP). This is a specific type of storm water NPDES permit issued by the State Water Resources Control Board and enforced by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board and the City.
- Developer/contractor must show evidence of having obtained a GCASWP before the City can issue a grading permit. Demonstrating evidence includes showing: (1) a Notice of Intent (NOI) to Comply with the Terms of the General Permit to Discharge Storm Water Associated with Construction Activity or Waste Discharge Identification number; and (2) a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).
- Developer/contractor must prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 99-08/DWQ National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit No. CAS000002 -- or any revision thereof. The City may allow the use of a Local Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (L-SWPPP) for projects less than 2 acres, depending on the type of project and its potential for discharging significant amounts of pollution to a receiving water body.
- City will inspect these construction sites at least once during the storm season (from October to May). Non-compliance could violate the federal Clean Water Act, the state's water code, and the City's runoff control ordinance.

**Priority II Construction Projects (Less Than 1 Acre)**

**Subject Construction Projects**

- Projects causing a disturbance between ½ acre but less than one (1) acre by grading, clearing, and/or excavating.

**Minimum Requirements**

- No illicit discharges will be released from the project site to the municipal storm drain system (gutters, streets, culverts, catch basins, storm drains, washes, flood control channels and other conveyances, natural or man-made, that convey runoff to receiving waters).
- No illicit connections (connections that convey illicit discharges to storm drain system) shall be made.
- Implement sediment control-type BMPs to reduce the discharge of sediment to the municipal storm drain system. At least 1 type of sediment control BMP should be used. These include silt fencing and sand bags. (Note: City may allow substitution of these BMPs with catch basin inlet protection BMPs (e.g., check dam at the affected catch basin(s), provided that: (1) the project does not occur during the wet season (from October to May); and (2) no excessive sediment is discharged to the street at any time.
- Store all materials (e.g., asphaltic material, concrete, paints, solvents, etc.), containing chemicals and other pollutants under cover and off the ground (e.g., on pallets), to prevent storm water and non-storm water contact with such materials).
- Deploy trash receptacles (e.g., bins, roll-offs, or receptacles) for proper containment of trash.
- Install, if necessary, structural controls to contain concrete wash, assure proper disposal of portable toilet waste, trash (including on-site roll-offs, bins, or receptacles).

**Permit Application Information**

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Instructions and fact sheet at: [www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/index.html](http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/index.html).