SEDIMENT CONTROL AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT INSPECTIONS

After permit issuance, and 48 hours prior to the start of construction, the permittee must contact the DPS Sediment Control Inspector listed on the permit to schedule a pre-construction inspection. Periodic site inspections will be made by the Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Inspector to ensure proper techniques for minimizing sediment runoff from the construction site are employed. The Sediment Control and Stormwater Management Inspector will also inspect stormwater management controls constructed as part of the approved permit plans.

The owner/developer is responsible for conducting routine inspections and required maintenance. At a minimum, the site and all controls should be inspected weekly and the next day after each rain event. However, the approval authority may require more frequent inspections, especially adjacent to sensitive areas or in impaired watersheds. A written inspection report is part of every inspection and should include:

• Inspection date
• Inspection type (routine, pre-storm event, post-storm event, during rain event)
• Name and title of inspector
• Weather information (current conditions as well as time and amount of last recorded precipitation)
• Brief description of project’s status (e.g., percent complete) and/or current activities
• Evidence of sediment discharges
• Identification of plan deficiencies
• Identification of sediment controls that require maintenance
• Identification of missing or improperly installed sediment controls
• Compliance status regarding the sequence of construction and stabilization requirements
• Photographs
• Monitoring/sampling
• Maintenance and/or corrective action performed
• Or inspection items as required by the general permit for stormwater associated with construction activities.

For the permit to be considered finalized and the bond returned at construction completion, a final inspection of the site is required. For those sites requiring the construction of stormwater management controls, the as-built plans for the stormwater management controls as constructed must be approved prior to a final inspection being conducted.

To schedule an inspection, contact the inspector listed on your permit. Should you not have your permit available, please click here to use the Find My Inspector program. Find My Inspector will require you to enter a physical address. If there is no physical address, but rather a location, please contact 311 at 240-777-0311.

To cancel an inspection, contact the inspector listed on your permit. Should you not have your permit available, please click here to use the Find My Inspector program. Find My Inspector will require you to enter a physical address. If there is no physical address, but rather a location, please contact 311 at 240-777-0311.