



# Construction Storm Water (CSW) Permitting at UNL

Guide for UNL Facilities Planning and Construction Staff and Contractors/Permittees



All construction activity at City and East Campus that causes land disturbance of **equal to or greater than one acre** or less than one acre if the construction activity is part of a **common plan of development or sale** are required to obtain a Construction Stormwater (CSW) permit NER210000 with NDEE prior to land disturbance.

\*This document is for guiding purposes only. Refer to NDEE permit NER210000 for more detailed information.

## Pre-Construction

- ❑ Any project that meets the above criteria must obtain a NER210000 permit from NDEE and secure written approval/authorization from EHS prior to any clearing or land disturbance. SWPPPs must be prepared by qualified persons.
- ❑ After submitting a NOI application to NDEE, submit a copy of the following to Stormwater@unl.edu to initiate the EHS review process.
  - SWPPP & Supporting Documents
  - Site Map
  - Copy of the signed NOI application that was submitted to NDEE
- ❑ All comments made by EHS during the review process must be addressed and resolved in writing before EHS authorization will be granted.
- ❑ Once authorized the permittee must follow the provisions of NDEE's NER210000 permit.
- ❑ The permittee must implement the SWPPP and document all changes/updates from commencement of construction activity until final stabilization has been achieved and the CSW-NOT is signed.

## During Construction

- ❑ All temporary BMPs must be installed and maintained according to the SWPPP plan.
- ❑ Sediment escaping the construction site must be removed promptly. Erosion controls for that portion of the site must be reviewed to prevent reoccurrences.
- ❑ Stabilization measures must be initiated as soon as practicable in temporary or permanent areas where earth disturbing activities will not resume within 14 days.
- ❑ Dewatering of stormwater is prohibited unless managed by appropriate controls. Dewatering of groundwater is prohibited under the terms of NDEE's NER210000 permit; authorization under a different NDEE general permit is likely required.
- ❑ EHS Inspections will occur randomly twice within a 12-month period. Corrective actions must be completed and written communication received within 7 days or before the next storm event which ever comes first.
- ❑ Post a sign at the construction site that includes at minimum:
  - Copy of signed and submitted CSW-NOI and NDEE approval letter; and
  - Copy of the SWPPP; or
  - The name, phone number, and current location for obtaining the SWPPP.
- ❑ Permittee inspections must be completed and documented at least once every 14 calendar days, and within 24 hours of the end of a storm event of (0.25) inches or greater or at least once every 7 calendar days, excluding nonbusiness hours. Upload inspections to ebuilder.
- ❑ The permittee must document the date of the following:
  - Date of major grading activities
  - Dates when construction activities temporarily or permanently cease on a portion of the site; and
  - Date when stabilization measures are implemented.

## Post-Construction

- ❑ A CSW-Notice of Termination (NOT) may be submitted only after:
  - The permittee has provided written and visual confirmation that final stabilization is achieved on all non-impervious surfaces throughout the entire site or a transfer of the permit has been accepted.
  - The removal of all temporary erosion and sediment controls without negatively impacting the site or permanent controls.
  - Notifying EHS and the UNL PM.
- ❑ If the permittee is transferring operational control from the site prior to final stabilization a transfer of the permit may be granted. Contact your UNL PM and EHS to coordinate. **Do not terminate** the permit until the transfer is complete or final stabilization is achieved.
- ❑ EHS will inspect down gradient stormwater inlets and PCSWCs near substantial completion. Permittee is responsible for action items resulting from the inspections.

### Prohibited Stormwater Discharges:

- ❖ Wastewater from the washout of concrete, unless managed by appropriate control.
- ❖ Wastewater from the washout and cleanout of stucco, paint, form release oil, curing compounds, and other construction materials.
- ❖ Fuels, oils, and other pollutants used in vehicle and equipment operation and maintenance.
- ❖ Soaps or solvents used in vehicle equipment washing

### Spill Notification:

The permittee must notify NDEE if the permittee knows, or has a reason to believe, that a release in excess of a reportable quantity of oil or hazardous substances has occurred. NDEE can be notified at (402) 471-2186 or (877) 253-2603. If unavailable call NSP at (402) 471-4545. Additionally, Notify EHS.

