

Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District

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Construction Stormwater General Permit

As of December 18, 2021, Indiana no longer administers the construction stormwater program under Indiana Administrative Code (327 IAC 15-5 or Rule 5). Permitting coverage is now issued under the Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSGP). The CSGP is a performance-based regulation administered by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) designed to reduce pollutants that are associated with construction and/or land-disturbing activities.

The requirements of the CSGP applies to all persons who are involved in construction activity (which includes clearing, grading, excavation and other land-disturbing activities) that results in the disturbance of one (1) acre or more of total land area. If the land-disturbing activity results in the disturbance of less than one (1) acre of total land area but is part of a larger common plan of development or sale, the project must obtain permit coverage under the CSGP.

To obtain permit coverage under the CSGP requires applicants to file an online application or a Notice of Intent (NOI). The purpose of the NOI is for the "applicant" or "project site owner" to notify IDEM of his or her intent to operate their proposed construction project in a manner consistent with the CSGP. The applicant must follow all guidelines and requirements of the CSGP, which includes the submittal of a Construction/Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) and a Notice of Intent. The Notice of Intent must include verification from the review authority that the SWP3 meets the requirements of the CSGP. The Washington County SWCD acts as the review authority for projects located in Washington County.

<u>Exempt Agricultural Activities</u> – The permit does not apply to agricultural land-disturbing activities, including tillage, planting, cultivation, or harvesting operations for the production of agricultural or nursery and vegetative crops, pasture renovation and establishment, the construction of agricultural conservation practices, and the installation and maintenance of agricultural subsurface field tile.

CSGP Fee Structure	Review Fee
1.0 to 5.0 acres	\$600
5.1 to 10.0 acres	\$1,440
10.1 to 25.0 acres	\$2,400
25.1 + acres	\$3,000

Additional information about the CSGP and guidance for developing an SWP3 can be found online at: https://www.in.gov/idem/stormwater/construction-land-disturbance-permitting/.

For questions and information, call the Washington County SWCD office at 812-883-3704, Ext. 3 or CSGP Coordinator Andrew Katt at 812-620-3580 and andrewdkatt@gmail.com