



Erosion Control is Now Required on All Construction Sites and Demolitions



- The City of Ellensburg maintains and operates a public storm system that discharges to Waters of the State.
- The City’s storm system is under permit with the Washington State Department of Ecology. The City must enforce the guidelines set forth in the NPDES Phase II Municipal Permit as prescribed on page 28, section 4 (Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control) in order to be in compliance with statewide water quality standards.
- The statewide permit regulates what can be discharged from construction sites into the public storm system. In addition, the City has codes that prohibit pollutants (silt, sediment, concrete, cement or gravel) from entering the public drainage system. EMC 9.25.320



All construction sites **one acre or greater** must file a Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered under the Washington State Department of Ecology’s Construction General Stormwater Permit before site work can begin. <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/>



Sites that fall **under the one acre** threshold must provide erosion control best management practices (BMP’S) on all construction or demolition sites during all phases of work. (Refer to chapter 2, core elements and chapter 7 of the Washington State Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington for assistance)



Sites may apply for an “Erosivity Waiver” if they qualify under Appendix 1, Core Element 2 of the Eastern Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit.

- Minimize track out by stabilizing construction entrance/exit
- Washout concrete slurry onsite
- De-water only clean water
- Use of silt fence or straw wattles to protect toe of slope
- **Saw cutting slurry is not allowed to enter the storm system**



Contact the Stormwater Utility

With questions at
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