

NOTICE OF INTENT

Who must apply?

Operators of construction activities that disturb 1 acre or greater or that will disturb less than one acre, but are part of a common plan of development or sale that will ultimately disturb one acre or more, are required to submit a Notice Of Intent (NOI) to obtain authorization under this general permit.

What do I need to do?

Obtain a copy of the general permit. All operators are encouraged to use the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) electronic Smart NOI system to prepare and submit NOIs. Payment of the initial fee is also available online. Go to <https://az.gov/app/smartnoi/> to access ADEQ's Smart NOI system and file an NOI. An NOI for a general permit is similar to a permit application, in that it is a request for AZPDES permit coverage and contains information about the proposed discharge. The NOI serves as the operator's notice to ADEQ that the operator intends the discharge to have coverage under the general permit. By signing and submitting the NOI, the operator is certifying that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) has been developed, that the discharge meets all the conditions specified in the general permit, and that the operator intends to continue to meet those requirements. The SWPPP should:

- Provide a site description identifying all sources of pollution associated with onsite construction activities.
- Identify the appropriate measures that will be implemented to reduce pollutants in stormwater discharges.

The Operator shall implement the SWPPP prior to and during construction.

If the discharge occurs near unique or impaired waters (<http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/permits/stormwater.html>), the operator must submit the stormwater pollution prevention plan with the NOI.

When am I authorized to discharge?

Operators who submit an application via the Smart NOI System are encouraged to use the e-signature feature to obtain faster, and in most cases, immediate coverage. An NOI Authorization Certificate is not issued via the Smart NOI System for copies submitted without electronic signature. Operators who submit a signed NOI by fax, mail or hand delivery for manual processing, will be sent a letter regarding authorization status (typically within 2-5 business days of ADEQ's receipt of the NOI). Applicants may also verify receipt of the NOI and check the status of the authorization by visiting ADEQ's NOI Construction Database at:

<http://azdeq.gov/databases/azpdessearch.html>.

What happens when construction is complete?

Complete the Notice Of Termination (NOT) form and submit to ADEQ after cessation of construction activities and final stabilization of the site and all conditions of section 2.5 of the General Permit have been met.

Yavapai County Requirement to Prevent, Control, and Reduce Stormwater Pollutants by the use of Best Management Practices

The Yavapai County Stormwater Quality Management and Discharge Control Regulation chapter 8 requires: Any activity, operation, or facility that may cause or contribute to pollution or contamination of Stormwater that discharges to the County Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) must implement Best Management Practices (BMPs). BMPs are schedules of

activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to Waters of the United States.

Options for Controlling Pollutants at Construction Sites

Sediment and Erosion Control

To prevent erosion through soil protection and preservation

- Preserve existing trees where possible and minimize vegetation disturbance
- Plant or seed temporary or permanent vegetation
- Apply mulch or geotextile ground cover
- Apply sod stabilization
- Use vegetative buffer strips
- Contour and protect sensitive areas

Structural Practices

To divert, store or limit runoff

- Silt fences
- Straw wattles
- Earthen dikes
- Drainage swales
- Check dams
- Subsurface drains
- Pipe slope drains level spreaders
- Storm drain inlet protection
- Sediment traps
- Temporary or permanent sediment basins

Stormwater Management

To reduce pollutant discharges after construction activities cease

- On-site filtration
- Flow attenuation by vegetation or natural depressions
- Devices to dissipate velocity
- Retention structures/artificial wetlands

Housekeeping Best Management Practices

To prevent pollution discharges from equipment and construction materials

- Proper waste management

- Control of wastewater
- Protected product storage areas

GOAL: To reduce or eliminate stormwater pollution from construction activity through development and implementation of appropriate Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.



CONTACTS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Community Liaisons

ADEQ has community liaisons located throughout the state to assist residents in rural communities. To find out how to contact the community liaison nearest you, call the regional office in NW Arizona (Coconino, Mohave, and Yavapai counties) at (928) 679-7307.

Downloadable copies of the AZPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges associated with Construction Activity to Waters of the United States and associated forms and information on stormwater pollution prevention plans and best management practices may be found on the stormwater pages of the ADEQ website at www.adeq.state.az.us

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STORMWATER AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

**AZPDES GENERAL PERMIT
FOR
STORMWATER DISCHARGES
ASSOCIATED WITH CONSTRUCTION
ACTIVITY TO WATERS OF THE
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HOW TO COMPLY

Permit number AZG2013-001

Permit Term: June 3, 2013 to June 2, 2018