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SECTION 11 STORMWATER QUALITY, EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

11-1 ABBREVIATIONS / ACRONYMS

Administrator BMP CWA	Assistant Director of the County of Yolo Planning Public Works Department and his or her designee. Best Management Practice Clean Water Act
General Permit MCM	State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 00-08 – DWQ National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System General Permit # CAS000002, or its successor permit Minimum Control Measures
NOI	Notice of Intent
NOT	Notice of Termination
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRCS	National Resource Conservation Service
RWQCB	Regional Water Quality Control Board
SWMP	Stormwater Management Plan
SWPPP	Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan
SWRCB	State Water Resources Control Board
Wet Season	October 1 st through April 30 th
WPCP	Water Pollution Control Program

11-2 GOOD HOUSEKEEPING PRACTICES

All construction sites shall be required to follow these Good Housekeeping Practices regardless of the project size or number of square feet of soil disturbed.

- A. Definition The BMPs that prevent pollutants from entering stormwater drainage systems or watercourses by limiting or reducing the potential at their source. Good Housekeeping Practices involve the day-to-day operations of the construction site, which involve keeping the site clean and orderly.
- B. Applicability The deployment and implementation of Good Housekeeping Practices depends on the conditions and applicability described below:

11-2.1 All Construction Sites Regardless of Size

- 1. Identify all storm drains, drainage swales and creeks located near the construction site and make sure all subcontractors are aware of their locations to prevent pollutants from entering them.
- 2. Clean up and properly dispose of all leaks, drips, and other spills immediately.
- 3. Refuel vehicles and heavy equipment in one designated location or off-site if possible.

- 4. Wash vehicles at an appropriate off-site facility. If equipment must be washed on-site, do not use soaps, solvents, degreasers, or steam cleaning equipment, and prevent wash water from entering the storm drain or watercourse.
- 5. Never wash down pavement or surfaces where materials have spilled. Use dry cleanup methods whenever possible.
- 6. Avoid contaminating clean runoff from areas adjacent to your site by using berms and/or temporary or permanent drainage ditches to divert water flow around the site.
- 7. Keep materials out of the rain. Schedule clearing or heavy earth moving activities for periods of dry weather. Cover exposed piles of soil, construction materials and wastes with plastic sheeting or temporary roofs. Before it rains, sweep and remove materials from surfaces that drain to storm drains or watercourses.
- 8. Place trash cans around the site to reduce litter. Dispose of non-hazardous construction wastes in covered dumpsters or recycling receptacles. Recycle leftover materials whenever possible.
- 9. Dispose of all wastes properly. Materials that cannot be reused or recycled must be taken to an appropriate landfill or disposed of as hazardous waste.
- 10. Cover open dumpsters with plastic sheeting or a tarp during rainy weather if your dumpster does not have a cover. Secure the sheeting or tarp around the outside of the dumpster. If your dumpster has a cover, make sure it is closed and secured.
- 11. Train your employees and inform subcontractors about the stormwater requirements and their own responsibilities.
- 12. Locate portable toilets a minimum of 25 feet away from drain inlets, watercourses and traffic circulation. Portable toilets shall be secured to prevent overturning. Regular service and waste disposal shall be provided. Untreated raw wastewater should never be discharged or buried. Install a secondary containment around portable toilets adequate for handling spills during servicing.
- 13. Appropriate measures shall be provided to prevent dust nuisance. Water trucks shall be used to dampen the surface to control dust. Care shall be taken to not overwater causing sediment-laden runoff. All earthwork operations shall cease when wind speeds exceed 20 mph for one hour or more.

11-2.2 Construction Projects Involving Paint Work

- 1. Non-hazardous paint chips and dust from dry stripping and sand blasting may be swept up or collected in plastic drop cloths and disposed of as trash.
- 2. Chemical paint stripping residue and chips and dust from marine paints or paints containing lead or tributyltin must be disposed of as a hazardous waste.
- 3. When stripping or cleaning building exteriors with high-pressure water, cover or berm storm drain inlets and prevent discharge into watercourses. If possible (and allowed by the local wastewater treatment plant), collect (mop or vacuum) building cleaning water and discharge to the sanitary sewer, where allowed.
- 4. Never clean brushes, paint containers or equipment or allow rinse water to enter the street, gutter, storm drain, or watercourses.
- 5. For water-based paints, paint out brushes, or other painting equipment, to the extent possible and rinse to a drain leading to the sanitary sewer (i.e., indoor plumbing).
- 6. For oil-based paints, paint out brushes, or other painting equipment, to the extent possible, and filter and reuse thinners and solvents. Dispose of unusable thinners and residue as hazardous waste.
- 7. Recycle, return to supplier or donate unwanted water-based (latex) paint.
- 8. Dried latex paint may be disposed of in the garbage.

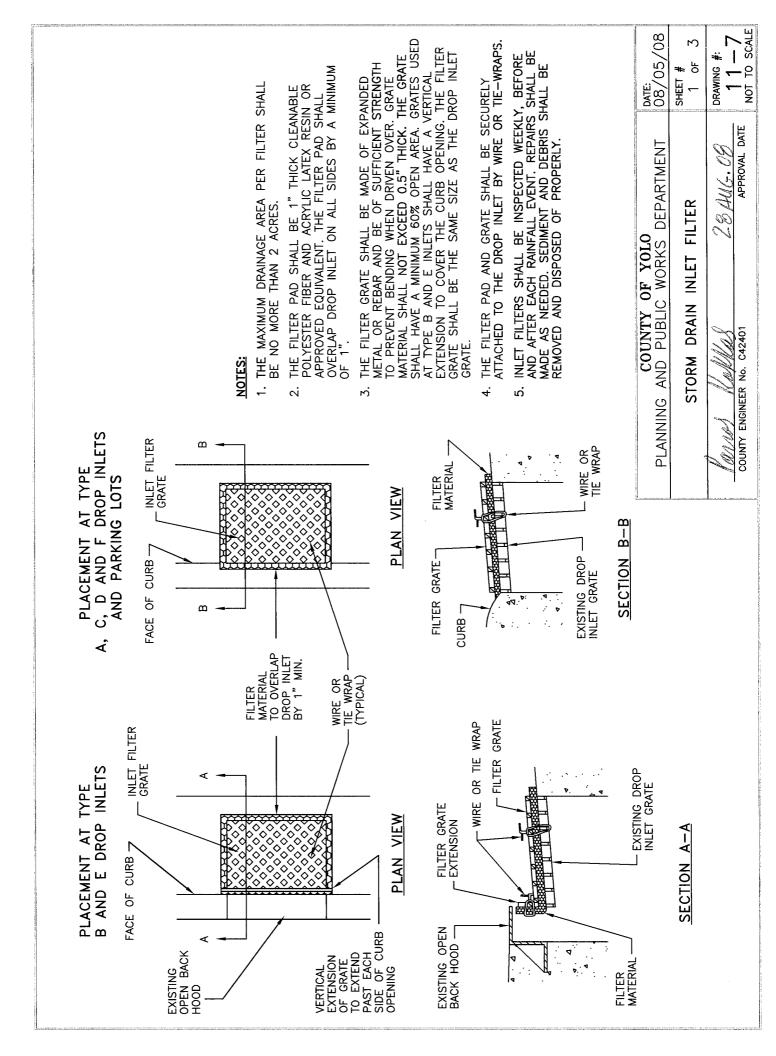
9. Unwanted oil-based paint (that is not recycled), thinners, and sludges must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

11-2.3 Construction Projects Involving Cement and Concrete Work

- 1. Avoid mixing excess amounts of fresh concrete or cement mortar on-site.
- 2. Store dry and wet materials under cover, protected from rainfall and runoff.
- 3. Wash out concrete transit mixers only in designated washout areas where the water will flow into settling ponds or onto dirt or stockpiles of aggregate base or sand. Pump water from settling ponds to the sanitary sewer, where allowed. Whenever possible, recycle washout by pumping back into mixers for reuse. Never allow washout to enter the street, storm drains, drainage ditches, or other watercourses.
- 4. Whenever possible, return contents of mixer barrel to the yard for recycling. Dispose of small amounts of dried excess concrete, grout, and mortar in the trash.

11-2.4 Construction Projects Involving Roadwork/Pavement Construction

- 1. Apply concrete, asphalt, and seal coats during dry weather to prevent contaminants from contacting stormwater runoff.
- 2. Cover storm drain inlets and manholes when paving or applying seal coats, slurry seal, fog seal, etc.
- 3. Always park paving machines over drip pans or absorbent materials, since they tend to drip continuously.
- 4. When making saw-cuts in pavement, use as little water as possible. Cover storm drain inlets completely with filter fabric during the sawing operation and contain the slurry by placing sandbags, gravel bags, gravel dams, or other approved BMP around the storm drain inlets. After the liquid drains or evaporates, shovel or vacuum the slurry residue from the pavement or gutter and dispose of it properly.
- 5. Wash down exposed aggregate concrete pavement only when the wash water can: (1) flow onto a dirt area; (2) drain onto a bermed surface from which it can be pumped and disposed of properly; or (3) be vacuumed from the area along the curb where sediment has accumulated by blocking a storm drain inlet.
- 6. Allow aggregate rinse water to settle, and pump the water to the sanitary sewer if allowed by the local wastewater authority.
- 7. Never wash sweepings from exposed aggregate concrete pavement into a street, storm drain, or watercourse. Collect and return to aggregate base stockpile, or dispose of it with the trash.
- 8. Recycle broken concrete and asphalt.
- C. Design Owners, contractors, and Developers shall be vigilant regarding the implementation of these BMPs, including making them a part of all prime and subcontract agreements.
- D. Maintenance Being vigilant regarding Good Housekeeping Practices could prevent an inadvertent violation, the imposition of fines, and project delays. If procedures are not implemented properly or if the BMPs are compromised, the stormwater discharge will then be subject to the sampling and analysis requirements contained in the General Permit Section B, "Monitoring Program and Reporting Requirements".



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