Helpful Hints

- Read and understand the AZPDES Construction General Permit
- Become familiar with local ordinances and requirements
- Minimize disturbed areas
- Phase construction activity
- Control stormwater flowing onto the project
- Stabilize soils promptly
- Protect slopes from erosion
- Protect storm drain inlets and drywells
- Establish perimeter controls
- Protect receiving waters adjacent to the site
- Retain sediment on-site
- Establish stabilized ingress/egress areas
- Clean-up trackout debris immediately
- Inspect and maintain BMPs regularly
- Provide for waste management and keep the site free of litter
- Properly store and handle materials that may become stormwater pollutants
- Ensure that non-stormwater discharges are contained and controlled
- Establish a spill prevention and response plan and clean-up spills immediately
- Provide training to staff and subcontractors
- Retain all pertinent documents associated with the site for at least 3 years from the date the NOT was submitted to ADEQ

Keeping stormwater clean and protecting our washes is a job for all of us

ALL OF US ARE WORKING TO PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION

Arizona Department of Transportation
City of Apache Junction
City of Avondale
City of Chandler
City of El Mirage
City of Glendale
City of Goodyear
City of Litchfield Park
City of Mesa
City of Peoria
City of Phoenix
City of Scottsdale
City of Surprise
City of Tempe
City of Tolleson
Flood Control District of Maricopa County
Luke Air Force Base
Maricopa County
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Town of Fountain Hills
Town of Gilbert
Town of Guadalupe
Town of Paradise Valley

For more information, visit:
STormwater Outreach for Regional Municipalities
http://www.azstorm.org
When does my construction site require coverage under the Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) Construction General Permit?
Sites that will disturb one or more acres or less than one acre if the project is part of a larger common plan of development.

Why is the AZPDES Construction General Permit necessary?
Stormwater discharges and runoff associated with construction sites can be a major contributor of pollutants to an urban storm sewer system, a wash or other waterways. Pollutants associated with construction activity may include, but are not limited to sediment, solvents, petroleum products, solid waste, paints, asphalt, lime, sealants, pesticides, etc.

How do I obtain coverage under the AZPDES Construction General Permit?
You will be required to develop a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and submit a completed Notice of Intent (NOI) to the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) for permit coverage. Check with your local municipality to determine additional submittals and/or requirements.

What must I do to comply with the AZPDES Construction General Permit following coverage?
- Maintain a copy of the SWPPP on site
- Post Authorization Number near site entrance
- Implement and maintain Best Management Practices (BMPs) included in your SWPPP
- Incorporate a combination of BMPs to address erosion and sediment control and the control of wastes and other construction site pollutants
- Conduct site inspections per the frequency detailed in the SWPPP
- Promptly correct deficiencies found during inspections or field observations as soon as possible
- Repair and maintain BMPs when found to be ineffective or in need of repair
- Update the SWPPP and site map to reflect changes or modifications relative to current site conditions
- Submit a Notice of Termination (NOT) to ADEQ upon final site stabilization

Frequently Asked Questions ???

The SWPPP

The SWPPP is a site specific plan which includes narrative information describing how requirements in Parts III through VIII of the Construction General Permit are met, and includes, but is not limited to:
- SWPPP Certification
- Site and Activity Description
  - Identification of Operators
  - Responsible Parties
  - Site Description
  - Site Map
  - Receiving Waters
  - Identify and Describe BMPs
  - Summary of Potential Pollutant Sources
- Permit Related Records
  - Copy of Construction General Permit
  - Copy of completed NOI and NOT application
  - Copy of authorization certificate from ADEQ
  - Municipality that received a copy of the NOI
  - Other agreements or permits from any state local, or federal agencies

Inspections

The site shall be inspected a minimum of once every 7 calendar days, or once every 14 calendar days and also within 24 hours of the end of each rain event of 0.5 inches or greater.
- Inspections conducted by qualified personnel
- Complete inspection report for each inspection
- Address corrective actions noted during inspections

Best Management Practices

Methods, Measures or Practices that Prevent or Reduce Discharges

- Stabilized Construction Entrances/Exits
- Storm Drain Inlet and Drywell Protection
- Spill Prevention and Containment
- Stabilization of Disturbed Areas
- Erosion and Sediment Control
- Perimeter Protection
- Chemical Storage
- Street Sweeping
- Recordkeeping
- Housekeeping
- Maintenance
- Dust Control
- Training

Erosion and Sediment Control