



# CONSTRUCTION BULLETIN

## STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION



*Are You Qualified?*

October 2014

## *SWPPP Writing and Management*

### **What the Permit Says**

The Construction Storm Water General Permit states, “The SWPPP must be prepared by a qualified individual such as a Professional Engineer, Certified Landscape Architect, and /or Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control.”

The important detail is in the words *such as*.

### **What the Permit Means**

It is true that engineers, landscape architects, and hydrologists should understand how factors work together to affect stormwater management on a construction site. It is also true that over time experience can lead to the same knowledge.

Nebraska permit provides flexibility by allowing people with adequate experience and competency to write and manage Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPPs).

### **What Demonstrates Competency**

A SWPPP preparer must be able to effectively plan and manage all elements of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). This includes Best Management Practice (BMP) implementation, SWPPP inspections, stormwater monitoring and reporting, and writing or amending a SWPPP.

These elements require a good working knowledge of the General Construction Permit and SWPPP requirements; a background working with a variety of BMPs, their specifications, installation, and effectiveness in different situations; and experience with the effects of water and soil erosion on varying grades and soil conditions.

### **Ways to Gain More Knowledge**

There are several resources and seminars that provide training and information about the general construction permit, SWPPP writing, and Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Please plan to attend the free seminar advertised at right, utilize the resources listed on the next page, or call Scottsbluff Stormwater at 308-630-8011.

*Free Seminar*

## *SWPPP Preparation*

*for contractors, developers,  
and engineers*

Learn to create efficient and effective SWPPPs to comply with state and city stormwater construction requirements.

**8:00 AM—5:00 PM**

**Tuesday, October 28, 2014**

**Lied Scottsbluff Public Library  
Community Meeting Room**

Presenters:

**Scott Olson, Altitude Training Associates**

Mr. Olson has 24 years training experience delivers over 100 programs annually. He is the former Chair of the Environmental & Safety Technology Department at Red Rocks Community College (RRCC) and former Director of the Colorado Environmental Training Center. Mr. Olson instructed in the Environmental Compliance degree program for eight years and developed the state accredited curriculum. He presently is owner of Altitude Training Associates and adjunct faculty at RRCC, San Juan College, and Laramie County Community College. Mr. Olson is the author of International Environmental Standards Handbook; a 350 page reference book published in 1999 and has traveled internationally presenting environmental programs. He is a member of the National Environmental Training Association, International Erosion Control Association and American Society for Training and Development.

**Blayne Renner,**

**Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality**

Blayne Renner is the NPDES Storm Water Coordinator at the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality with primary responsibility for the Industrial Storm Water program, the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System program and the Construction Storm Water program in the state of Nebraska. Blayne conducts inspections on construction sites and industrial sites. He also conducts Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan reviews for both construction and industry. Blayne assists NDEQ field staff with permit interpretation and compliance assistance for permittees. Blayne speaks regularly on the topic of storm water permitting and is in regular communication with the regulated community through his compliance assistance activities.

**Call 630-8011 to register**

**Or email [lsato@scottsbluff.org](mailto:lsato@scottsbluff.org)**



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#### SWPPP Writing and Planning Resources

- EPA's Construction General Permit <http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/cgp>)
- Nebraska Stormwater Construction Permit: <http://www.deq.state.ne.us/Publications/Pages/WAT012>
- Developing Your Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan: A Guide for Construction Sites  
[http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/sw\\_swppp\\_guide.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/sw_swppp_guide.pdf)
- Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Guidance and Other Helpful Resources for Construction Activities:  
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/swppp.cfm>
- Stormwater Pollution Plan Prevention Templates:  
[http://www.scottsbluff.org/departments/development\\_services/permits/permit\\_applications.php](http://www.scottsbluff.org/departments/development_services/permits/permit_applications.php)
- City of Scottsbluff website: [www.scottsbluff.org](http://www.scottsbluff.org)
- NDOR BMP Manual: <http://www.transportation.nebraska.gov/environment/guides/Const-Strmwtr-Pocket%20Guide.pdf>
- Urban Drainage and Flood Control District Criteria Manual Volume III  
[http://www.udfcd.org/downloads/down\\_critmanual\\_volIII.htm](http://www.udfcd.org/downloads/down_critmanual_volIII.htm)

#### Upcoming SWPPP Training in the Region

- **Basic Construction Stormwater Compliance Course**  
Thursday, October 9                      Cost: \$475.00  
7:30 AM—4:30 PM                      Location: AGC Education Center, 686 Mariposa St., Denver, CO  
Register at: <http://www.agccolorado.org/events> by October 6  
\*This is a Colorado course, regulations may differ from Nebraska's state and city requirements.
- **Advanced Stormwater Manager's Course**  
Thursday, October 23                      Cost: \$750.00  
7:30 AM—4:30 PM                      Location: AGC Education Center, 686 Mariposa St., Denver, CO  
Prerequisite: Basic Construction Stormwater Compliance Course  
Register at: <http://www.agccolorado.org/events> by October 10  
\*This is a Colorado course, regulations may differ from Nebraska's state and city requirements.
- **SWPPP Preparation for Contractors, Engineers, and Developers**  
Tuesday, October 28, 2014              Cost: Free of Charge  
8:00 AM—5:00 PM                      Location: Lied Scottsbluff Public Library, 1809 3rd Ave., Scottsbluff  
Call 630-8011 to register by October 22

For additional information on the City of Scottsbluff Stormwater Program, or if you have any questions please contact:

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308.630.8011 -or- [stormwater@scottsbluff.org](mailto:stormwater@scottsbluff.org)