

# Applying for the 1200-C Construction Stormwater Permit



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## Background

In Dec. 2016, the Water Quality Administrator for DEQ signed the revised National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Stormwater Construction General Permit No. 1200-C to be effective starting Dec. 15, 2015. The permit regulates stormwater runoff to surface waters from construction activities that disturb one or more acres in Oregon.

## What you need to know

Construction sites disturbing one acre or more must be covered under either the NPDES 1200-C or 1200-CN permit. In addition, construction sites disturbing less than one acre and part of a larger common development plan or sale must be covered under either the 1200-C or 1200-CN permit. Examples of a large common development or sale include a subdivision or possibly a business park.

## Permit applications

### 1. Obtain the application and check to see where to send it.

You can obtain permit application forms on DEQ's [website](#).

If you have questions about the application or do not have access to the internet, please contact the regional DEQ stormwater representative, agent or local government agency, who can provide assistance on the preparation and submittal of the application.

### DEQ Agents:

City of Eugene, City of Hermiston, City of Troutdale, Clean Water Services (serving Washington County), Clackamas County Service District #1 and Rogue Valley Sewer Services.

### DEQ Regional Offices for Stormwater:

Eugene, Pendleton, Bend and Portland

### 1200-CN Local Government Agencies:

City of Albany, City of Corvallis, City of Eugene, City of Milwaukie, City of Springfield, City of West Linn, City of Wilsonville, City of Gresham, City of Troutdale, City of Wood Village, Multnomah County, Clackamas County Service District #1 and Surface Water Management Agency of Clackamas County,

Clean Water Services and Rogue Valley Sewer Services.

### 2. What you submit with your application

For projects that disturb one or more acres, submit one paper copy and one electronic copy of a completed application form, an approved Land Use Compatibility Statement with Findings, if applicable, and a full sized Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. For projects that disturb less than one acre and are part of a larger common plan, submit one paper copy of a completed application form, and a full sized ESCP. These forms and related guidance documents, including the application and ESCP guidance document are available on [DEQ's website](#) or can be obtained at a DEQ regional office or through a DEQ agent.

### 3. Permit fees

You must submit the appropriate permit fees to DEQ or its Agent at the time you apply for new permit coverage.

Appropriate fees are available on [DEQ's stormwater web pages](#). All stormwater permits charge an application fee and an annual fee upon registration. The registrant will also be billed an annual fee for every year the permit coverage is in effect after the first year. Please note: if submitting a dewatering or active treatment Operating and Maintenance Plan to address contaminants beyond sediment, a disposal system plan review fee may be charged as indicated in Table 70H.

If you are submitting your application to a DEQ agent, please contact the Agent for information on the fees.

### 4. Processing your application

Once you submit the application materials, DEQ or its Agent will review the forms to make sure the application is complete as well as technically and administratively adequate. DEQ or its Agent will return any incomplete application with a list of missing information.

Please note: An incomplete application (incomplete forms, applications submitted without fees, and so on) will be returned to you and will slow the processing of your permit coverage.

## **5. Public review for construction sites disturbing five acres or more.**

- Projects that have the potential to disturb five acres or more of land will be subject to public review. Applications and Erosion and Sediment Control Plans for these projects will be subject to a 14-calendar day public review and comment period.
- A notice will be posted on [DEQ's website](#) for public notice. The public will have 14-calendar days to review the application materials and submit comments to DEQ about the application and ESCP. The application materials may also be reviewed at the regional DEQ office.
- After the public comment period, DEQ will review the comments and determine if the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is adequate. DEQ may request that you change the plan based on public comment.
- After accepting the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, DEQ or its agent will assign the applicant coverage under the 1200-C permit, and will notify all commenters.

For assistance, please contact the DEQ regional stormwater representative in your area.

DEQ regional (stormwater) offices:

Bend: 541-278-4605

Eugene: 541-686-7326

Pendleton: 541-278-4605

Portland: 503-229-5263

### **Alternative formats**

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