



# NOTICE

## Development Services Department

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DATE: January 20, 2012  
TO: Distribution  
FROM: Jeffrey D. Strohming, Assistant Deputy Director  
SUBJECT: **Revision to Applicability of Updated Requirements in the City's Storm Water Standards Manual**

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To ensure consistency with other copermittees of the local Municipal Storm Water (MS4) Permit in the application of the Regional Board's storm water standards, the City of San Diego has revised Section 1.3 (Applicability of Updated Requirements ) of its Storm Water Standards Manual. This change will be effective 30 calendar days from the date of this notice.

The revisions reflect that the applicability of the updated requirements in the City's Storm Water Standards, which were adopted on January 14, 2011, is based on whether a project had obtained a prior lawful approval and was under construction as of this date. The City's Storm Water Standards had previously established applicability based on the date on which a project application had been deemed complete by the City of San Diego.

The revised Section 1.3 is attached.

An updated version of Storm Water Manual will be posted on the City Website at <http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/stormwater.shtml>

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## **1.3 Applicability of Updated Requirements**

### **Construction BMPs**

Updated requirements for construction BMPs shall apply to all construction sites that are active at the time of the updated requirement, and to all subsequent construction activity.

### **Permanent BMPS**

The updated requirements for permanent BMPs shall apply to all projects that have not begun grading or construction activities on or prior to the following effective dates: Storm Water Standards Updates effective as of ***March 24, 2008***

- New requirement to include Low-Impact Development principles in the project design
- New requirement to use only those treatment control BMPs that are rated Medium or higher for removal efficiencies for the primary pollutants of concern
- New requirement to include hydromodification controls for projects greater than 50 acres

Storm Water Standards updates effective as of ***January 14, 2011***

- Updated hydromodification control requirements based on the Hydromodification Management Plan (HMP) approved by the Regional Water Quality Control Board on July 14, 2010, to be applied to all Priority Development Projects regardless of size unless qualifying for an exemption allowed within the approved HMP

The above applicability timeline is effective unless the project has a lawful prior approval, whereby application of the updated storm water standards to the project are infeasible as determined by the Development Services Director.