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SUBJECT: State Construction General Permit Requirements

On September 2, 2009, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted a new State Construction General Permit (CGP), Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ. The requirements of this order went into effect on July 1, 2010 which regulates discharges of pollutants in storm water from construction sites that disturb 1-acre or more of land, including linear underground/overhead projects.

The following special provisions under Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ take effect in September 2011.

- **Grandfathering Expiration**: Section II.B of the CGP provides a grandfathering exception to dischargers that had active coverage under the old construction permit to enroll under the new CGP at Risk Level 1, which expires on September 2, 2011. In accordance with the CGP, if these sites have not filed a Notice of Termination (NOT), they are required to conduct a Risk Level Determination and submit the analysis onto the State’s electronic filing system (SMARTS), on or prior to September 2, 2011. Requirements of the re-assessed Risk Level become effective on September 2, 2011.

- **Certification and Training Requirements**: The Qualified SWPPP Developer (QSD) and Qualified SWPPP Practitioner (QSP) must meet the certifications and training requirements as specified in Section VII of the CGP. The SWPPP needs to be amended to reflect the updated training and certification information. Effective on September 2, 2011, the Development Services Department will not review SWPPP’s which do not meet this requirement.

- **Annual Report**: The CGP requires all projects to prepare and submit (using SMARTS) an annual report no later than September 1st of each year. The annual report is to be prepared in accordance with Section XVI of the CGP.

If you have questions regarding any of the above requirements, please contact the State Board Storm Water Help Desk at 1-866-563-3107 or e-mail at [stormwater@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:stormwater@waterboards.ca.gov)