CGP Implementation Water Board Perspective

Central Valley Water Board, Redding April 22, 2010



- Storm Water Enforcement
- Regional Water Board Approach
- Permit/BMP Implementation

Storm Water Enforcement

Our chief goal is compliance, not enforcement. But we have found that without a strong enforcement program, you cannot reasonably expect compliance

Regional Board Enforcement

- Progressive Enforcement Tools
 Informal Enforcement
 Formal Enforcement
- Statewide Enforcement Policy <u>http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water/programs/e</u> <u>nforcement/</u>

Informal Enforcement

Verbal Warning

Staff Enforcement Letter

Notice of Violation (NOV)



Formal Enforcement

- Administrative Civil Liability (ACL)
- Notice of Non-Compliance (NNC)
- Mandatory Minimum Penalty (MMP)
- More Options
 - Notice to Comply
 - Cleanup and Abatement Order
 - Cease and Desist Order
 - Referral to Attorney General/US Attorney/District Attorney
 - Coordinated enforcement with Fish and Game, U.S. EPA, Army Corps of Engineers, and other agencies

Administrative Civil Liability (Water Code 13385)

Maximum Penalties

- \$10,000 per day per violation
- \$10/gallon (after 1st 1,000 gallons) of discharge
- Additional Requirements
 - Consideration of five Water Code factors
 - At a minimum must cover economic savings
 - Recovery of staff costs



Mandatory Minimum Penalty (Water Code 13399)

- Applies to individual NPDES permits and storm water general permits
- For storm water:
 - Failure to File a Notice of Intent
 - Failure to Submit an Annual Report
 - Risk Level 3 sites with 4 Numeric Effluent Limit violations in 6 months

Mandatory Minimum Penalty

- Failure to apply for coverage under the storm water General Permits
 Mandatory Minimum Penalty - \$5,000
- Failure to submit an annual report or certification under a storm water General Permit

*Mandatory Minimum Penalty - \$1,000

 Four Numeric Effluent Limit violations in a 6-month period at Risk Level 3 site
 Mandatory Minimum Penalty - \$3,000



Central Valley Water Board Approach (99-08-DWQ and 2009-0009-DWQ)

- 🗢 Training
- Implementation
- Inspections/Evaluation
- Compliance/Enforcement

Implementation Of Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ

Grandfathered Sites (Projects enrolled under 99-08-DWQ)

- Permit Required Documents (PRDs) must be submitted by July 1, 2010
- All sites Risk Level 1
- SWPPP must comply with Risk Level 1 requirements
- Risk Level determination requirements

Risk Determination Requirements

- Regional Water Boards can require dischargers to comply with risk determination requirements
- Projects with a prior history of noncompliance or located within a Risk Level 3 watershed will be considered
- Sites receiving NOVs after July 1, 2010 may be required to comply with risk determination requirements

QSD/QSP (Qualified SWPPP Developer/Practitioner)

- The timing on meeting the training requirements may be tight
- Until training is available our focus will be on the quality and implementation of the PRDs

BMP Implementation 2009-0009-DWQ

Regional Water Board staff expectations:

- Same expectations as under 99-08
- All inactive areas have effective soil cover
- REAPs (Risk Level 2 and 3 sites)
- Weekly inspection checklists
- Pre- and post- rain event reports
- Extended rain event checklists
- Quarterly non-storm water monitoring reports

Specific BMP Requirements

BMP Categories:

- Material Management
- Waste Management
- Vehicle Storage and Maintenance
- Landscape Material Management
- Non-Storm Water Management
- Run-on and Runoff Control
- Erosion Control
- Sediment Control

Material Management



Cover and berm stockpiled construction material when not in use (soil, spoils, aggregate, fly-ash, stucco, hydrated lime, etc.)



Store chemicals in watertight containers or in a completely enclosed structure





Prevent discharge from waste disposal containers to storm drains or receiving waters. Cover waste containers at the *end of every business day* and during rain events.



Contain and protect waste material from wind and rain at all times

Prevent disposal of rinse/wash water *or* materials to: impervious *or* pervious surfaces *or* storm drains



Contain concrete washouts (*any washout areas*) so there is no discharge to the underlying soil *or* the surrounding areas.



Contain "sanitation facilities" to prevent discharge to storm drains or receiving waters.



SWPPP must contain a spill response element that requires:

- Spill cleanup equipment and materials are located onsite
- Spills and leaks are immediately cleaned up, and disposed of properly
- Spill response personnel are assigned and trained

Vehicle Storage and Maintenance

- Prevent oil, grease, or fuel from leaking into the ground, storm drains or surface waters.
- All equipment or vehicles being fueled, maintained, or stored must be in a designated area with appropriate BMPs







Landscape Material Management

- Contain all landscape materials and fertilizers not actively in use
- No application of erodible landscape material *two* days prior to predicted rain events, or while raining
- Stack erodible landscape material on pallets, and cover when not being used



Non-Storm Water Management

Prevent non-storm water discharges from street cleaning and vehicle washing activities to surface waters and storm drains





Manage all:

Control

- 🗢 Run-on,
- Runoff within the site,

Run-on and Runoff

- Runoff that discharges off the site.
- Direct run-on from off site away from all disturbed areas (or comply with effluent limitations)

Erosion Control

- Soil cover required for inactive areas, finished slopes, open space, utility backfill, and completed lots
- Limit use of plastic materials if more sustainable, environmentally friendly alternatives exist. If use of plastic material is necessary, materials resistant to solar degradation must be considered





Sediment Control

- Perimeter controls must be implemented and maintained
- All construction entrances and exits must be stabilized
- Sediment basins must be designed, at a minimum, in accordance with the CASQA Construction BMP Handbook

Bottom Line:

While many conditions in the permit remain the same, failure to comply with the new requirements may result in increased enforcement

Especially at Risk Level 2 and 3 sites

Regional and State Water Board staff are available to answer questions and assist you in bringing your site into compliance



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