

## **What Requires a SESC Plan Certification**

A "Project" means any disturbance of more than 5,000 square feet of the surface area of land for:

- **Building Permit and/or Construction Permit**
- **Demolition**
- **Parking Lots**
- **Public Facilities**
- **Quarrying & Mining**
- **Clearing & Grading**

**Building Permit and/or Construction Permit** - the accommodation of construction for which the State Uniform Construction Code would require a construction permit.

**Demolition** - the demolition of one or more structures in which such activity will disturb 5,000 square feet or more of the surface of the land.

**Parking Lots** - the construction of parking lots in which such activity will disturb 5,000 square feet or more of the surface of the land.

**Public Facilities** - means any building; pipeline; highway; electricity, telephone or other transmission line; or any other structure to be constructed by a public utility, municipality, county, or the State or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

**Quarrying & Mining** - the operation of any mining or quarrying activity.

**Clearing & Grading** - the clearing and grading of any land for other than agricultural or horticultural purposes.

### **Please Note the Following RFA Fee adjustments:**

**Effective October 1, 2009,** Stormwater Construction Permit (5G3-NJ0088323) Request for Authorization (RFA) applications will no longer be accepted and processed along with your Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan application\* by the local Soil Conservation District. Permittees are required to submit their applications and payment electronically online utilizing the NJDEP's Stormwater Construction Activity E-Permitting System or, via paper application to the NJDEP's Bureau of Permits Management. Information and instructions for completing and submitting RFAs utilizing either process may be accessed through the NJDEP webpage at <http://www.nj-gov/dep/stormwater/>.

This change does not affect the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan approval process.\* Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan applications must still be submitted to the local district offices for certification. However, for those projects requiring a NJDPES Stormwater Construction Activity permit, the district shall issue a SCD Certification Code to the permittee verifying that the 251 Plan has been approved. This code is necessary to complete either the online E-permitting and/or paper RFA process.

To make this transition as easy as possible for all parties involved please contact the Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control (BNPC) with any questions or concerns you may have regarding this action. BNPC may be reached by telephone at (609) 633-7021 or, by e-mail at [Daniel.kuti@dep.state.nj.us](mailto:Daniel.kuti@dep.state.nj.us).

\*Information completed on the RFA e-permit application must be consistent with the information submitted on the Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan application.

Effective January 5, 2009, the permit fees for the Phase II Stormwater Construction General permit (NJ0088323) will be increased and bifurcated. This notification is in conjunction with adopted modifications to the NJPDES Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A appearing in the January 5, 2009 N.J. Register and are as follows:

- **1.0 – 5.0 acre disturbance - \$450.00**
- **Great than 5.0 acre disturbance - \$650.00**

All fees remain payable by check, money order or public agency voucher; made payable to Treasurer, State of New Jersey. Public schools, religious and charitable institutions remain fee exempt.

Construction projects less than one acre but part of a larger plan of development continue to be subject to the policies outlined in the Stormwater Permit Program, Phase II Manual, Section 20.4.