# Lewis County Department of Public Works Engineering Division

# CONTRACT PROVISIONS AND PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF:

# NORTH FORK ROAD

# REALIGNMENT PROJECT

RAP Project No. 2113-01 COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 2158 April, 2019 Book 2 of 3

Lewis County Public Works 2025 NE Kresky Ave. Chehalis, WA 98532-2626



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# **APPENDIX D**

# **PERMIT DOCUMENTS**



Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife PO Box 43234 Olympia, WA 98504-3234

(360) 902-2200

Issued Date: February 07, 2019 Permit Number: 2019-5-17+01
Project End Date: September 30, 2021 FPA/Public Notice Number: N/A

Application ID: 16968

PERMITTEE	AUTHORIZED AGENT OR CONTRACTOR
Lewis County Public Works	
ATTENTION: Ann Weckback	
2025 NE Kresky Ave	
Chehalis, WA 98532-2308	

Project Name: North Fork Road Realignment - CRP 2158

Project Description: Lewis County Public Works proposes to realign a portion of North Fork Road from Milepost

(MP) 2.70 to 4.05. The proposed project will include improvements to the horizontal/vertical alignment, widening and reconstruction of the roadway base, overlay of the roadway with hot mix asphalt, replacement and/or extension of roadway cross culverts, the installation of a biodetention swale, and the installation/upgrade of traffic control devices such as flexible

guideposts, recessed pavement markers, and signage.

#### **PROVISIONS**

#### TIMING - PLANS - INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL

- 1. TIMING LIMITATION: You may begin the project on July 1, 2019 and you must complete the project by September 30, 2021. Work below the Ordinary High Water mark shall only occur from July 1 to September 30.
- 2. APPROVED PLANS: You must accomplish the work per plans and specifications submitted with the application and approved by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, except as modified by this Hydraulic Project Approval. You must have a copy of these plans available on site during all phases of the project construction.

#### NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 3. FISH KILL/ WATER QUALITY PROBLEM NOTIFICATION: If a fish kill occurs or fish are observed in distress at the job site, immediately stop all activities causing harm. Immediately notify the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife of the problem. If the likely cause of the fish kill or fish distress is related to water quality, also notify the Washington Military Department Emergency Management Division at 1-800-258-5990. Activities related to the fish kill or fish distress must not resume until the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife gives approval. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife may require additional measures to mitigate impacts.
- 4. PRE-, DURING, AND POST-CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION: You, your agent, or contractor must contact the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife by e-mail at HPAapplications@dfw.wa.gov; mail to Post Office Box 43234, Olympia, Washington 98504-3234; or fax to (360) 902-2946 at least three business days before starting work, one day before removing the temporary bypass and again within seven days after completing the work. The notification must include the permittee's name, project location, starting date for work or date the work was completed, and the permit number. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife may conduct inspections during and after construction; however, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife will notify you or your agent before conducting the inspection.

#### STAGING, JOB SITE ACCESS, AND EQUIPMENT

5. Establish staging areas (used for equipment storage, vehicle storage, fueling, servicing, and hazardous material storage) in a location and manner that will prevent contaminants such as petroleum products, hydraulic fluid, fresh



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concrete, sediments, sediment-laden water, chemicals, or any other toxic or harmful materials from entering waters of the state.

- Clearly mark boundaries to establish the limit of work associated with site access and construction.
- 7. Confine the use of equipment to the specific access and work corridor shown in the approved plans.
- 8. Equipment used for this project may operate waterward of the ordinary high water line, provided the drive mechanisms (wheels, tracks, tires, etc.) do not enter or operate waterward of the ordinary high water line.
- 9. Check equipment daily for leaks and complete any required repairs in an upland location before using the equipment in or near the water.
- 10. Use environmentally acceptable lubricants composed of biodegradable base oils such as vegetable oils, synthetic esters, and polyalkylene glycols in equipment operated in or near the water.

#### CONSTRUCTION-RELATED SEDIMENT, EROSION AND POLLUTION CONTAINMENT

- 11. Work in the dry watercourse (when no natural flow is occurring in the channel, or when flow is diverted around the job site).
- 12. Protect all disturbed areas from erosion. Maintain erosion and sediment control until all work and cleanup of the job site is complete.
- 13. All erosion control materials that will remain onsite must be composed of 100% biodegradable materials.
- 14. Straw used for erosion and sediment control, must be certified free of noxious weeds and their seeds.
- 15. Stop all hydraulic project activities except those needed to control erosion and siltation, if flow conditions arise that will result in erosion or siltation of waters of the state.
- 16. Prevent project contaminants, such as petroleum products, hydraulic fluid, fresh concrete, sediments, sediment-laden water, chemicals, or any other toxic or harmful materials, from entering or leaching into waters of the state.
- 17. Route construction water (wastewater) from the project to an upland area above the limits of anticipated floodwater. Remove fine sediment and other contaminants before discharging the construction water to waters of the state.
- 18. Deposit waste material from the project, such as construction debris, silt, excess dirt, or overburden, in an upland area above the limits of anticipated floodwater unless the material is approved by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife for reuse in the project.

#### CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

- 19. Store all construction and deconstruction material in a location and manner that will prevent contaminants such as petroleum products, hydraulic fluid, fresh cement, sediments, sediment-laden water, chemicals, or any other toxic or harmful materials from entering waters of the state.
- 20. Use only clean, suitable material as fill material (no trash, debris, car bodies, tires, asphalt, concrete, etc.).

## IN-WATER WORK AREA ISOLATION USING A TEMPORARY BYPASS

- 21. Use the least-impacting feasible method to temporarily bypass water from the work area. Consider the physical characteristics of the site and the anticipated volume of water flowing through the work area.
- 22. Design the temporary bypass to minimize the length of the dewatered stream channel.
- 23. During all phases of bypass installation and decommissioning, maintain flows downstream of the project site to ensure survival of all downstream fish.
- 24. Return diverted water to the channel immediately downstream of the work area. Dissipate flow energy from the diversion to prevent scour or erosion of the channel and bank.
- 25. If the bypass is a pumped diversion, once started it must run continuously until it is no longer necessary to bypass flows. This requires back-up pumps on-site and twenty-four-hour monitoring for overnight operation.



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- 26. If the diversion inlet is a pump diversion in a fish-bearing stream, the pump intake structure must have a fish screen installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with RCW 77.57.010 and 77.57.070. Screen the pump intake with one of the following:
- a) Perforated plate: 0.094 inch (maximum opening diameter);
- b) Profile bar: 0.069 inch (maximum width opening); or
- c) Woven wire: 0.087 inch (maximum opening in the narrow direction).

The minimum open area for all types of fish screens is twenty-seven percent. The screened intake facility must have enough surface area to ensure that the velocity through the screen is less than 0.4 feet per second. Maintain fish screens to prevent injury or entrapment of fish.

27. Remove fish screens on dewatering pumps in the isolated work area only after all fish are safe and excluded from the work area.

#### **CULVERT**

- 28. Install and maintain the culvert to ensure unimpeded fish passage.
- 29. Establish the culvert invert elevation with reference point(s) or benchmark(s) created before to starting work on this project. Clearly mark and preserve the reference point(s) for post-project compliance. Before backfilling, confirm the invert elevation, as stated on the plans, relative to the reference points with at least a construction-grade leveling device (such as an optical auto-level or laser level).
- 30. Protect structural fill associated with the culvert installation from erosion to the 100 year peak flow.
- 31. The owner(s) must maintain the culvert to ensure it provides continued, unimpeded fish passage. If the culvert becomes a hindrance to fish passage, the owner must obtain an Hydraulic Project Approval and provide prompt repair.

#### **DEMOBILIZATION AND CLEANUP**

- 32. Upon completion of the project, restore the disturbed bed, banks, and riparian zone to preproject condition to the extent possible.
- 33. Completely remove any temporary fill before the end of the in-water timing window if the fill material could erode and deliver sediment-laden water into waters of the state.
- 34. To prevent fish from stranding, backfill trenches, depressions, and holes in the bed that may entrain fish during high water or wave action.
- 35. To minimize sediment delivery to the stream or stream channel, do not return in-stream flows to the work area until all in-channel work is completed and the bed and banks are stabilized.
- 36. Seed areas disturbed by construction activities with a native seed mix suitable for the site that has at least one quick-establishing plant species.
- 37. Return water flow slowly to the in-water work area to prevent the downstream release of sediment laden water. If necessary, install silt fencing above the bypass outlet to capture sediment during re-watering of the channel.
- 38. Remove temporary erosion and sediment control methods after job site is stabilized or within three months of project completion, whichever is sooner.

LOCATION #1:	Site Name: North Fork Rd MP 2.70 to 4.05 North Fork Rd MP 2.70 to 4.05, Chehalis, WA 98532			
WORK START:	May 1, 2019		WORK END:	October 30, 2019
<u>WRIA</u>		Waterbody:		Tributary to:



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23 - Upper Cheh Upstream of Port		Newaukum North Fork		Chehalis River		
<u>1/4 SEC:</u>	Section:	Township:	Range:	Latitude:	Longitude:	County:
SE 1/4	09	13 N	01 W	46.620758	-122.803244	Lewis
Location #1 Driving Directions						

From I-5 take exit 74 for Labree Rd. Turn east on Labree Rd follow for 0.2 miles. Turn right onto Bishop Rd and follow for 2.2 miles. Turn right onto Jackson Hwy and follow for 1.9 miles. Turn left onto North Fork Rd and follow for 2.7 miles until you've reached your destination.

## APPLY TO ALL HYDRAULIC PROJECT APPROVALS

This Hydraulic Project Approval pertains only to those requirements of the Washington State Hydraulic Code, specifically Chapter 77.55 RCW. Additional authorization from other public agencies may be necessary for this project. The person(s) to whom this Hydraulic Project Approval is issued is responsible for applying for and obtaining any additional authorization from other public agencies (local, state and/or federal) that may be necessary for this project.

This Hydraulic Project Approval shall be available on the job site at all times and all its provisions followed by the person (s) to whom this Hydraulic Project Approval is issued and operator(s) performing the work.

This Hydraulic Project Approval does not authorize trespass.

The person(s) to whom this Hydraulic Project Approval is issued and operator(s) performing the work may be held liable for any loss or damage to fish life or fish habitat that results from failure to comply with the provisions of this Hydraulic Project Approval.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Hydraulic Project Approval could result in a civil penalty of up to one hundred dollars per day and/or a gross misdemeanor charge, possibly punishable by fine and/or imprisonment.

All Hydraulic Project Approvals issued under RCW 77.55.021 are subject to additional restrictions, conditions, or revocation if the Department of Fish and Wildlife determines that changed conditions require such action. The person(s) to whom this Hydraulic Project Approval is issued has the right to appeal those decisions. Procedures for filing appeals are listed below.



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MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS HPA: You may request approval of minor modifications to the required work timing or to the plans and specifications approved in this HPA unless this is a General HPA. If this is a General HPA you must use the Major Modification process described below. Any approved minor modification will require issuance of a letter documenting the approval. A minor modification to the required work timing means any change to the work start or end dates of the current work season to enable project or work phase completion. Minor modifications will be approved only if spawning or incubating fish are not present within the vicinity of the project. You may request subsequent minor modifications to the required work timing. A minor modification of the plans and specifications means any changes in the materials, characteristics or construction of your project that does not alter the project's impact to fish life or habitat and does not require a change in the provisions of the HPA to mitigate the impacts of the modification. If you originally applied for your HPA through the online Aquatic Protection Permitting System (APPS), you may request a minor modification through APPS. A link to APPS is at http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/hpa/. If you did not use APPS you must submit a written request that clearly indicates you are seeking a minor modification to an existing HPA. Written requests must include the name of the applicant, the name of the authorized agent if one is acting for the applicant, the APP ID number of the HPA, the date issued, the permitting biologist, the requested changes to the HPA, the reason for the requested change, the date of the request, and the requestor's signature. Send by mail to: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 43234, Olympia, Washington 98504-3234, or by email to HPAapplications@dfw.wa.gov. You should allow up to 45 days for the department to process your request.

MAJOR MODIFICATIONS TO THIS HPA: You may request approval of major modifications to any aspect of your HPA. Any approved change other than a minor modification to your HPA will require issuance of a new HPA. If you originally applied for your HPA through the online Aquatic Protection Permitting System (APPS), you may request a major modification through APPS. A link to APPS is at http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/hpa/. If you did not use APPS you must submit a written request that clearly indicates you are requesting a major modification to an existing HPA. Written requests must include the name of the applicant, the name of the authorized agent if one is acting for the applicant, the APP ID number of the HPA, the date issued, the permitting biologist, the requested changes to the HPA, the reason for the requested change, the date of the request, and the requestor's signature. Send your written request by mail to: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 43234, Olympia, Washington 98504-3234. You may email your request for a major modification to HPAapplications@dfw.wa.gov. You should allow up to 45 days for the department to process your request.

#### APPEALS INFORMATION

If you wish to appeal the issuance, denial, conditioning, or modification of a Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA), Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) recommends that you first contact the department employee who issued or denied the HPA to discuss your concerns. Such a discussion may resolve your concerns without the need for further appeal action. If you proceed with an appeal, you may request an informal or formal appeal. WDFW encourages you to take advantage of the informal appeal process before initiating a formal appeal. The informal appeal process includes a review by department management of the HPA or denial and often resolves issues faster and with less legal complexity than the formal appeal process. If the informal appeal process does not resolve your concerns, you may advance your appeal to the formal process. You may contact the HPA Appeals Coordinator at (360) 902-2534 for more information.

A. INFORMAL APPEALS: WAC 220-660-460 is the rule describing how to request an informal appeal of WDFW actions taken under Chapter 77.55 RCW. Please refer to that rule for complete informal appeal procedures. The following information summarizes that rule.



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A person who is aggrieved by the issuance, denial, conditioning, or modification of an HPA may request an informal appeal of that action. You must send your request to WDFW by mail to the HPA Appeals Coordinator, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Habitat Program, PO Box 43234, Olympia, Washington 98504-3234; e-mail to HPAapplications@dfw.wa.gov; fax to (360) 902-2946; or hand-delivery to the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington St SE, Habitat Program, Fifth floor. WDFW must receive your request within 30 days from the date you receive notice of the decision. If you agree, and you applied for the HPA, resolution of the appeal may be facilitated through an informal conference with the WDFW employee responsible for the decision and a supervisor. If a resolution is not reached through the informal conference, or you are not the person who applied for the HPA, the HPA Appeals Coordinator or designee may conduct an informal hearing or review and recommend a decision to the Director or designee. If you are not satisfied with the results of the informal appeal, you may file a request for a formal appeal.

B. FORMAL APPEALS: WAC 220-660-470 is the rule describing how to request a formal appeal of WDFW actions taken under Chapter 77.55 RCW. Please refer to that rule for complete formal appeal procedures. The following information summarizes that rule.

A person who is aggrieved by the issuance, denial, conditioning, or modification of an HPA may request a formal appeal of that action. You must send your request for a formal appeal to the clerk of the Pollution Control Hearings Boards and serve a copy on WDFW within 30 days from the date you receive notice of the decision. You may serve WDFW by mail to the HPA Appeals Coordinator, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Habitat Program, PO Box 43234, Olympia, Washington 98504-3234; e-mail to HPAapplications@dfw.wa.gov; fax to (360) 902-2946; or hand-delivery to the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington St SE, Habitat Program, Fifth floor. The time period for requesting a formal appeal is suspended during consideration of a timely informal appeal. If there has been an informal appeal, you may request a formal appeal within 30 days from the date you receive the Director's or designee's written decision in response to the informal appeal.

C. FAILURE TO APPEAL WITHIN THE REQUIRED TIME PERIODS: If there is no timely request for an appeal, the WDFW action shall be final and unappealable.

Habitat Biologist Scott.Brummer@dfw.wa.gov

Scott Brummer 360-785-0472

for Director

WDFW



#### DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SEATTLE DISTRICT P.O. BOX 3755 SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98124-3755

Regulatory Branch

March 13, 2019

Ms. Ann Weckback Lewis County Public Works 2025 Northeast Kresky Avenue Chehalis, Washington 98532

Reference: NWS-2018-969

Lewis County Public Works

(North Fork Road

Realignment - CRP 2158)

Dear Ms. Weckback:

We have reviewed your application to discharge fill in two unnamed tributaries to the North Fork Newaukum River and adjacent wetlands to realign a portion of North Fork Road from Milepost (MP) 2.70 to 4.05 near Chehalis, Lewis County, Washington. Based on the information you provided to us, two separate verifications of Nationwide Permit (NWP) 14, Linear Transportation Projects (Federal Register January 6, 2017, Vol. 82, No. 4), authorize your proposal as depicted on the enclosed drawings dated September 21, 2018.

In order for this authorization to be valid, you must ensure the work is performed in accordance with the enclosed *NWP 14*, *Terms and Conditions* and the following special conditions:

- a. You shall implement and abide by the *Wetland Mitigation Report*, *North Fork Road Realignment MP 2.70 to 4.05* (Bank Use Plan), dated September 20, 2018, and obtain mitigation bank credits from the Chehalis Basin Mitigation Bank, in accordance with Table 4 of the Bank Use Plan.
- b. You shall obtain from the Chehalis Basin Mitigation Bank sponsor, documentation of the completed mitigation bank transaction. You shall submit to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District, Regulatory Branch, documentation of the completed mitigation bank transaction prior to performing work in waters of the U.S. authorized by this permit. All submittals must prominently display the reference number NWS-2018-969.

- c. You shall implement and abide by the *Archaeological Monitoring and Inadvertent Discovery Plan for the North Fork Road Realignment MP 2.70-4.05 Project*, dated January 4, 2019, prepared by Archaeological Investigations Northwest, Inc. A professional archaeologist shall be on-site to monitor for the presence of archaeological resources for the monitoring areas identified in the plan.
- d. You shall prepare and submit a summary report of the findings of the archaeological monitoring (positive or negative) to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Seattle District, Regulatory Branch within 60 days after monitoring has been completed. The report must prominently display the reference number NWS-2018-969.
- e. If human remains, historic resources, or archaeological resources are encountered during construction, all ground disturbing activities shall cease in the immediate area and you shall immediately (within one business day of discovery) notify the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Seattle District, Regulatory Branch. You shall perform any work required by the Corps in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and Corps regulations.

We have reviewed your project pursuant to the requirements of the Endangered Species Act, the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and the National Historic Preservation Act. We have determined this project complies with the requirements of these laws provided you comply with all of the permit general and special conditions.

The authorized work complies with the Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Water Quality Certification (WQC) requirements for this NWP. No further coordination with Ecology for WQC is required.

You have not requested a jurisdictional determination for this proposed project. If you believe the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers does not have jurisdiction over all or portions of your project you may request a preliminary or approved jurisdictional determination (JD). If one is requested, please be aware that we may require the submittal of additional information to complete the JD and work authorized in this letter may not occur until the JD has been completed.

Our verifications of this NWP authorization are valid until March 18, 2022, unless the NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked prior to that date. If the authorized work has not been completed by that date and you have commenced or are under contract to commence this activity before March 18, 2022, you will have until March 18, 2023, to complete the activity under the enclosed terms and conditions of this NWP. Failure to comply with all terms and conditions of these NWP verifications invalidates these authorizations and could result in a violation of

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. You must also obtain all local, State, and other Federal permits that apply to this project.

You are cautioned that any change in project location or plans will require that you submit a copy of the revised plans to this office and obtain our approval before you begin work. Deviating from the approved plans could result in the assessment of criminal or civil penalties.

Upon completing the authorized work, you must fill out and return the enclosed *Certificate* of *Compliance with Department of the Army Permit*. Thank you for your cooperation during the permitting process. We are interested in your experience with our Regulatory Program and encourage you to complete a customer service survey. These documents and information about our program are available on our website at www.nws.usace.army.mil, select "Regulatory Branch, Permit Information" and then "Contact Us." If you have any questions, please contact me at evan.g.carnes@usace.army.mil or (206) 316-3049.

Sincerely,

Evan G. Carnes, Project Manager

Regulatory Branch

Enclosures

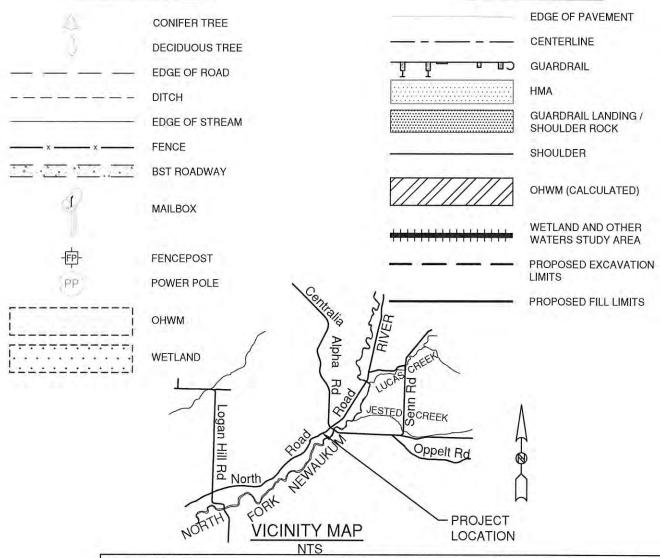
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Washington Department of Ecology, Federal Permit Coordinator: ecyrefedpermits@ecy.wa.gov

# LEGEND

### **EXISTING FEATURES**

### NEW CONSTRUCTION



REFERENCE NUMBER: NWS-2018-969 PROJECT LOCATION (ADDRESS):

PROPOSED PROJECT: NORTH FORK RD MP 2.7 - 4.05 ROAD REALIGNMENT

NORTH FORK ROAD MP 2.7 - 4.05 CHEHALIS, WA 98532

APPLICANT: LEWIS COUNTY LAT/LONG: 46° 36' 57.2"/-122° 48' 46.7" IN: (waterbody) NEWAUKUM RIVER VERTICAL HORIZONTAL NEAR/AT: (city) CHEHALIS DATUM: NAVD88 ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS: DATUM: NAD83 COUNTY: LEWIS 1. PARCEL#017003-002-000 JACK CGRAGGGEN 18. PARCEL#017002-002-003 CAROL BUTCHER 2. PARCEL#017002-001-002 CAROL BUTCHER 19. PARCEL#017002-003-003 ROBERT PEDERSON 3. PARCEL#016912-002-001 **RON LAKEY** 20. PARCEL#017002-003-004 ROBERT PEDERSON 4. PARCEL#016912-002-018 ROY AND LINDA VAN DONSEL 21. PARCEL#016912-001-000 CUSTODIO & VICKIE 5. PARCEL#016912-002-008 ROBERT HARRIS SANCHEZ NANCY GRAHAM 6. PARCEL#016922-001-000 22. PARCEL#016924-002-000 CUSTODIO & VICKIE 7. PARCEL#016921-002-000 **NANCY GRAHAM** SANCHEZ 8. PARCEL#016921-003-000 GEORGE COMINSKY 23. PARCEL#016924-001-000 VERN & MARY ROUNDTREE 9. PARCEL#016920-001-000 GEORGE COMINSKY 24. PARCEL#016922-002-000 BENJAMIN & 10. PARCEL#016919-005-003 **BRENDA HELDRETH** BERNADETTE KOSTICK 11. PARCEL#016917-001-000 JOHN COOKE 25. PARCEL#016923-000-000 CUSTODIO & VICKIE 12. PARCEL#106917-000-000 MARY ANN NORRIS SANCHEZ

14. PARCEL#107005-000-000 STEVEN GRACE & DANIEL

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15. PARCEL#107003-001-001 HABERSTROH

13. PARCEL#107005-001-000

GRACE

16. PARCEL#017003-001-002 RANDY TOBLER JR. 17. PARCEL#017002-001-002 CAROL BUTCHER

ARLENE SELCHERT

30. PARCEL#016916-010-000 LEWIS CO FIRE DISTRICT

GRADY

29. PARCEL#016919-001-000 WILLIAM THOMPSON

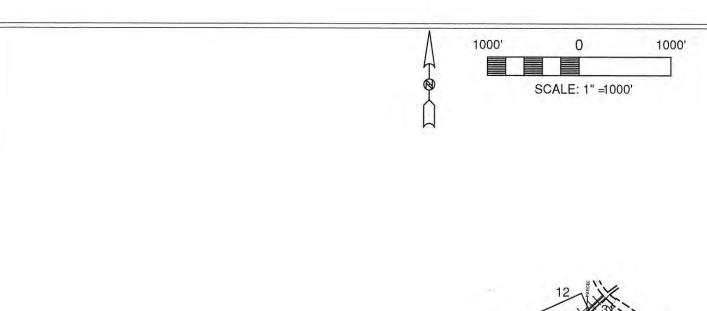
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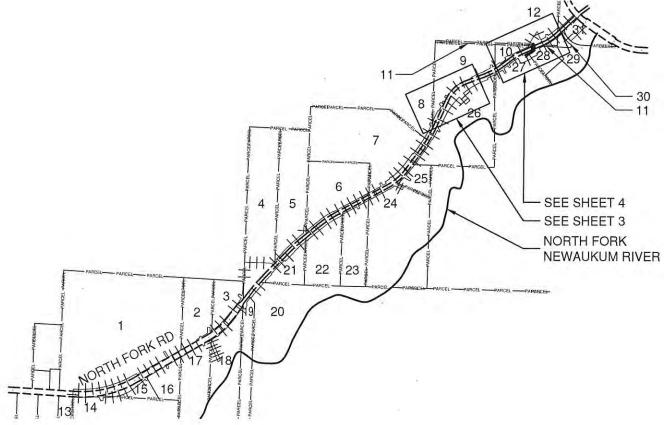
26. PARCEL#016920-002-001 JOHN AND SANDY

28. PARCEL#016919-002-000 WILLIAM THOMPSON

27. PARCEL#016919-005-004 MARTIN ROY

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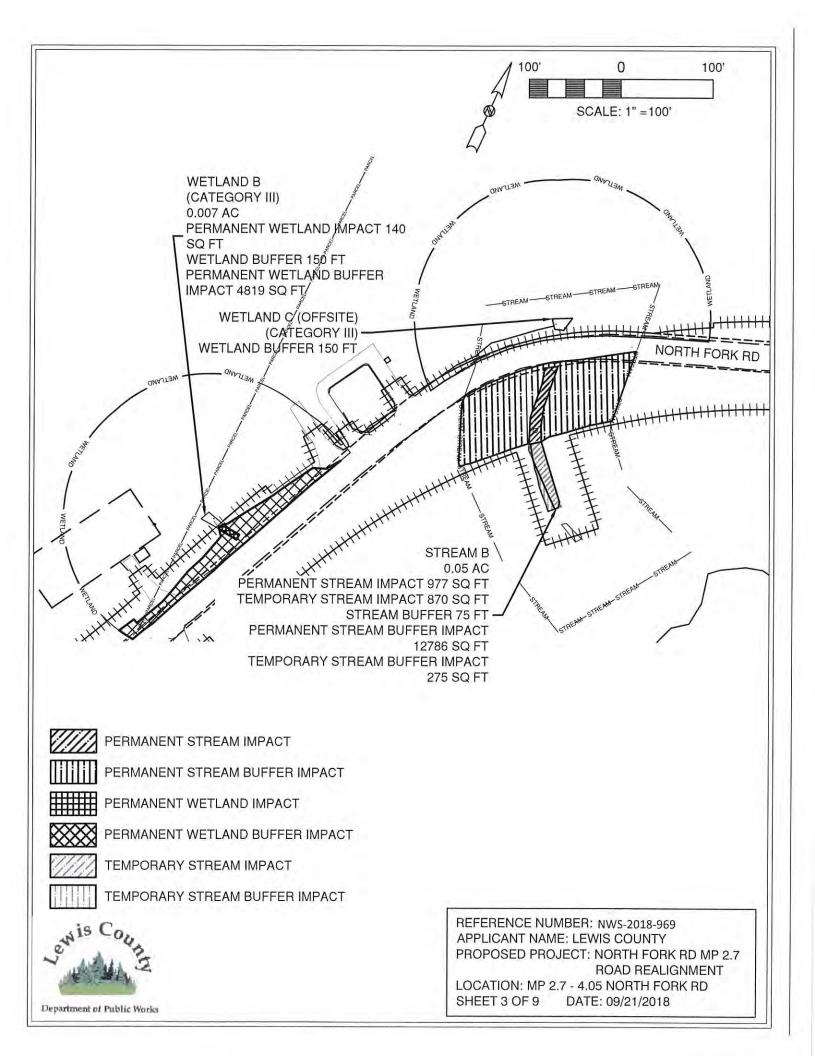
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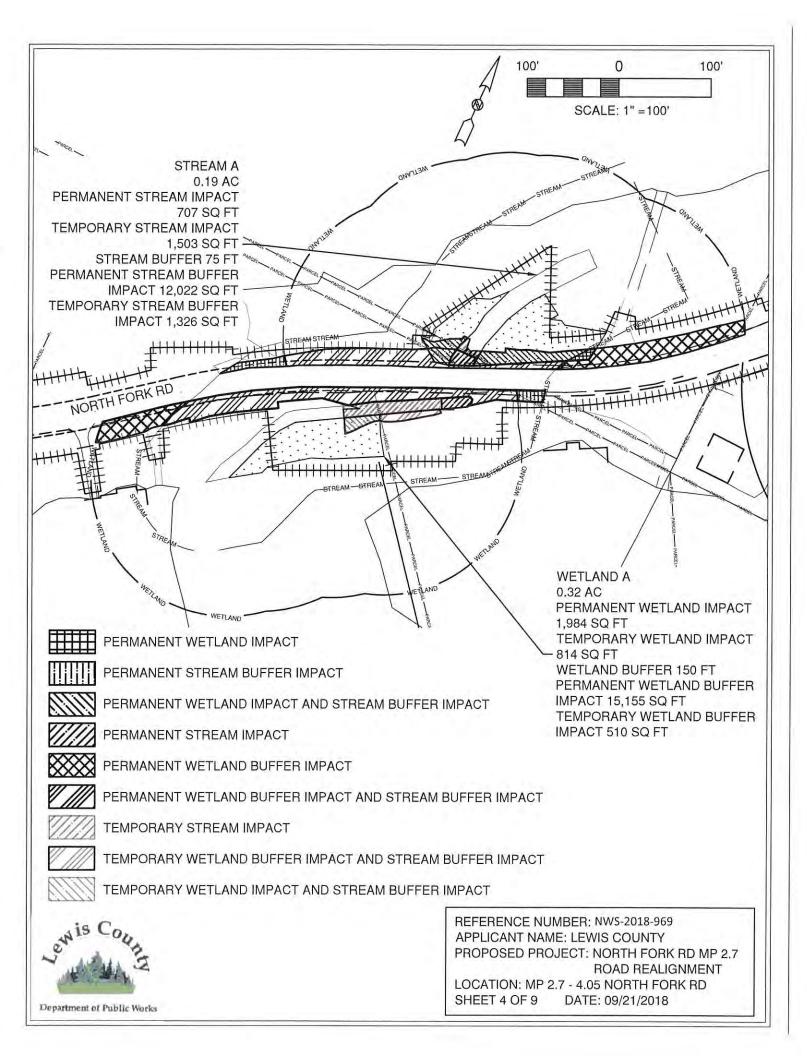
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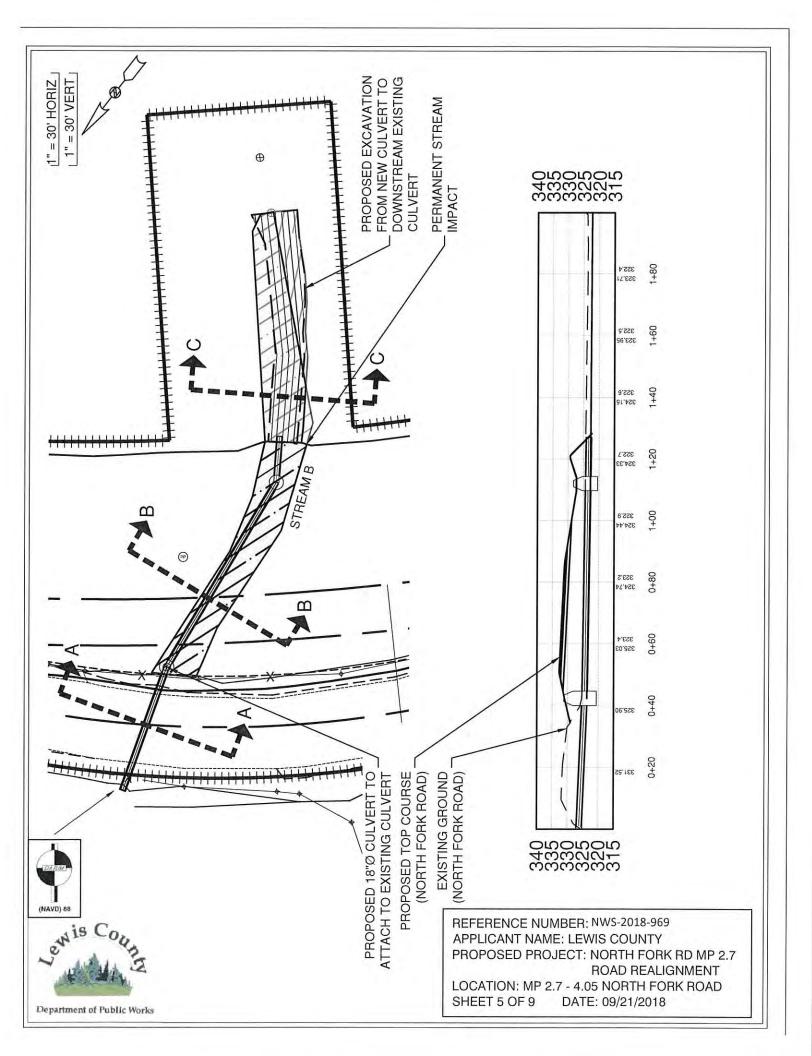
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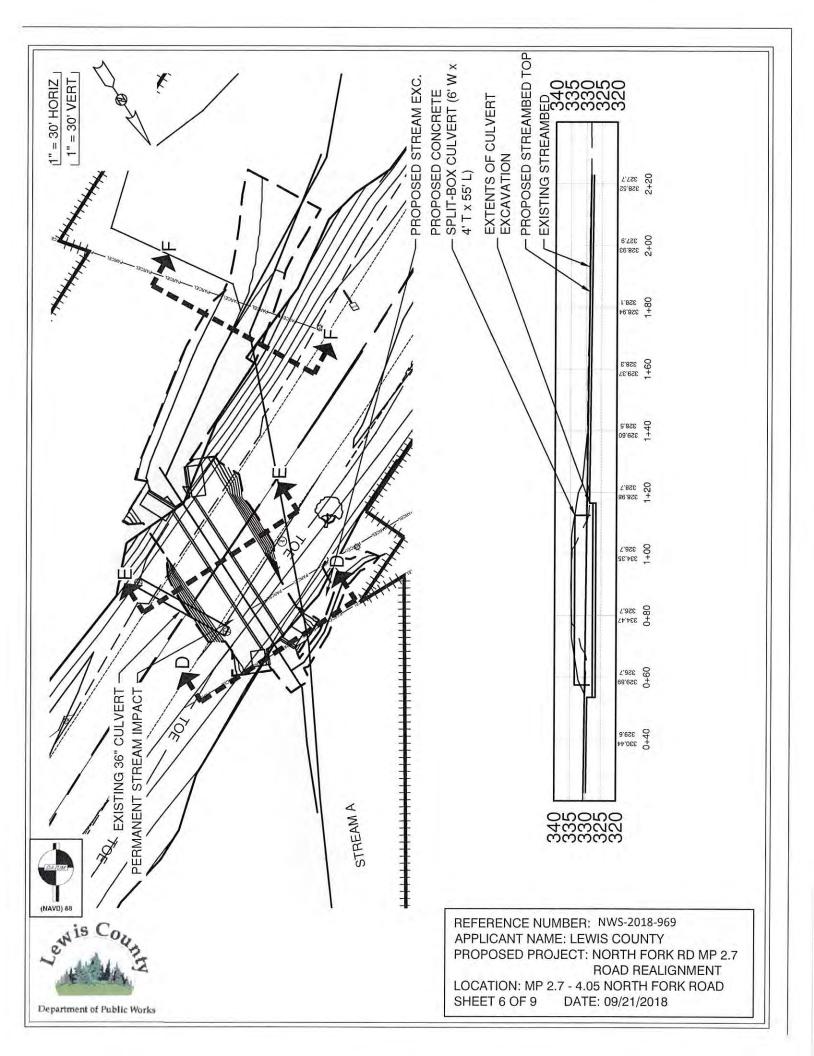
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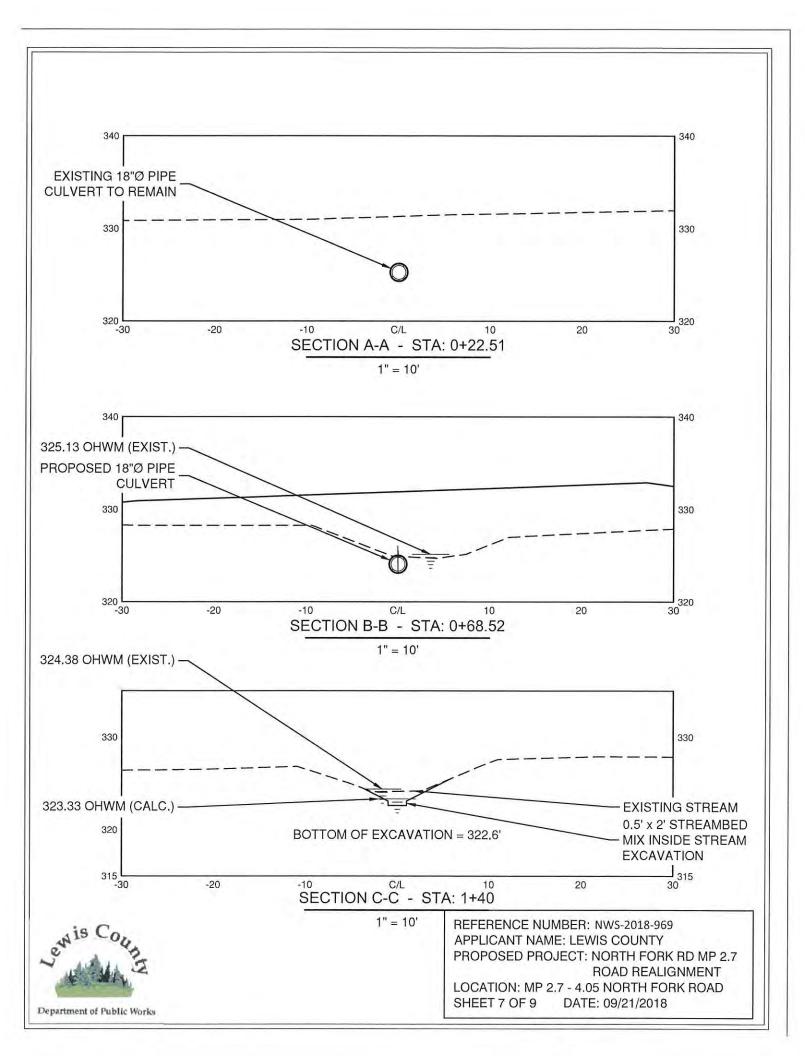
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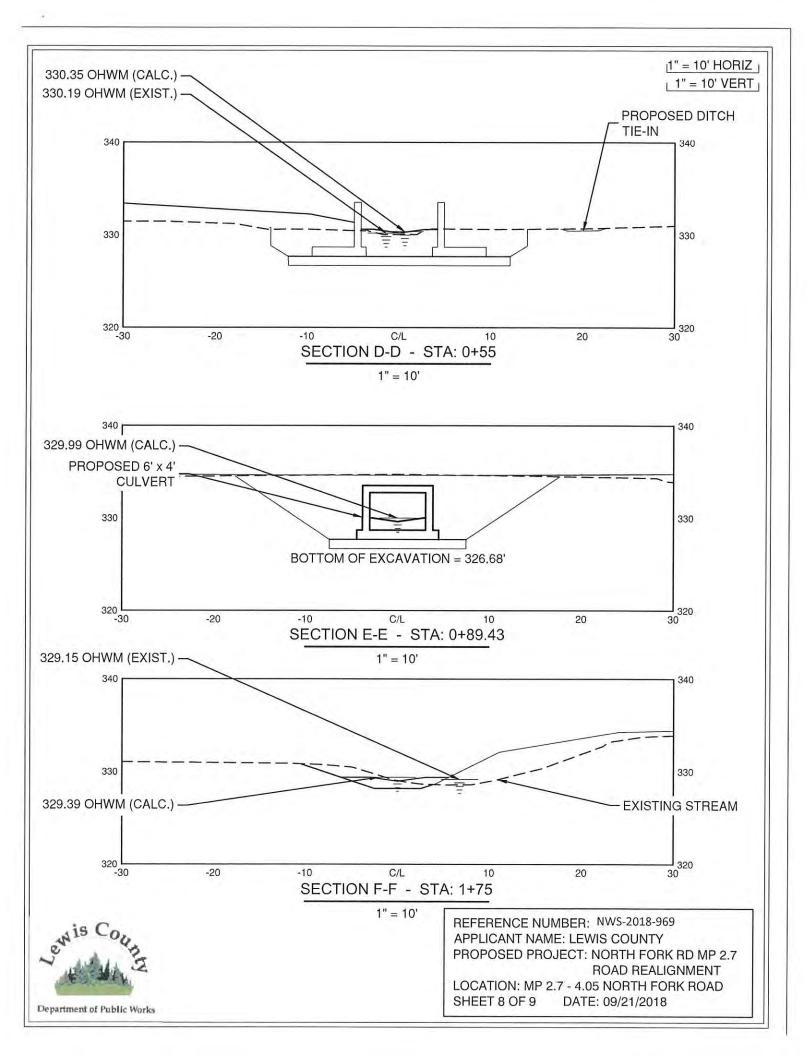


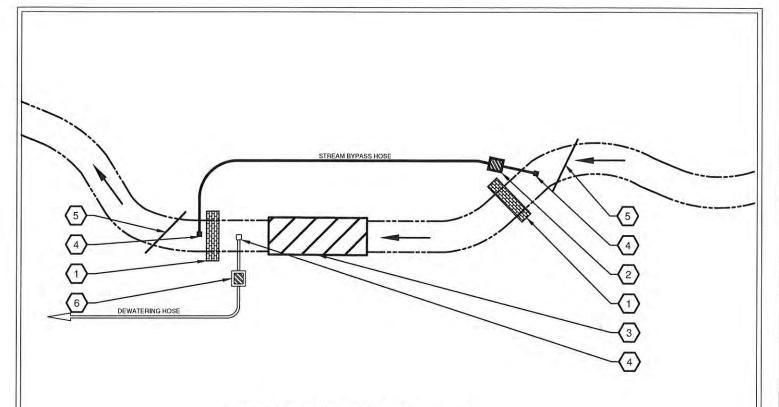








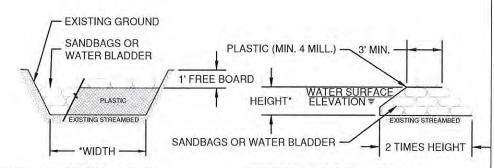




# DEWATERING PLAN (TYP.)- PLAN VIEW NOT TO SCALE

#### CONSTRUCTION NOTES:

- INSTALL COFFERDAM PER DETAILS
  THIS SHEET AS STAKED IN THE
  FIELD BY THE ENGINEER.
- 2 INSTALL SPILL CONTAINED PUMP SYSTEM FOR STREAM BYPASS.
- (3) WORK AREAS: STA: 16+92.78 STA: 55+62.22 STA: 64+88.21
- PUMP INTAKE SCREEN OVER ALL INTAKE AND OUTLET HOSES PER WDFW REQUIREMENTS.
- FISH DIVERSION SCREEN
  UPSTREAM OF BYPASS INTAKE AND
  DOWNSTREAM OF BYPASS OUTLET
  PER HPA PROVISIONS.
- 6 INSTALL SPILL CONTAINED PUMP SYSTEM FOR DEWATERING. PUMP WORK WATER WITHIN RIGHT OF WAY PER ENGINEER.



\* WIDTH OF COFFER DAM SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE EXISTING BANK OF THE STREAM AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.

COFFER DAM - PROFILE VIEW

NOT TO SCALE

\* HEIGHT OF COFFER DAM SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE WATER SURFACE ELEVATION AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.

COFFER DAM - SECTION VIEW

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Department of Public Works

REFERENCE NUMBER: NWS-2018-969 APPLICANT NAME: LEWIS COUNTY

PROPOSED PROJECT: NORTH FORK RD MP 2.7

ROAD REALIGNMENT

LOCATION: MP 2.7 - 4.05 NORTH FORK RD

SHEET 9 OF 9 DATE: 09/21/2018





# **NATIONWIDE PERMIT 14**

# **Terms and Conditions**



Effective Date: March 19, 2017

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In addition to any special condition that may be required on a case-by-case basis by the District Engineer, the following terms and conditions must be met, as applicable, for a Nationwide Permit (NWP) authorization to be valid in Washington State.

## A. DESCRIPTION OF AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES

14. <u>Linear Transportation Projects</u>. Activities required for crossings of waters of the United States associated with the construction, expansion, modification, or improvement of linear transportation projects (e.g., roads, highways, railways, trails, airport runways, and taxiways) in waters of the United States. For linear transportation projects in non-tidal waters, the discharge cannot cause the loss of greater than 1/2-acre of waters of the United States. For linear transportation projects in tidal waters, the discharge cannot cause the loss of greater than 1/3-acre of waters of the United States. Any stream channel modification, including bank stabilization, is limited to the minimum necessary to construct or protect the linear transportation project; such modifications must be in the immediate vicinity of the project.

This NWP also authorizes temporary structures, fills, and work, including the use of temporary mats, necessary to construct the linear transportation project. Appropriate measures must be taken to maintain normal downstream flows and minimize flooding to the maximum extent practicable, when temporary structures, work, and discharges, including cofferdams, are necessary for construction activities, access fills, or dewatering of construction sites. Temporary fills must consist of materials, and be placed in a manner, that will not be eroded by expected high flows. Temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to pre-construction elevations. The areas affected by temporary fills must be revegetated, as appropriate.

This NWP cannot be used to authorize non-linear features commonly associated with transportation projects, such as vehicle maintenance or storage buildings, parking lots, train stations, or aircraft hangars.

Notification: The permittee must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer prior to commencing the activity if: (1) the loss of waters of the United States exceeds 1/10-acre; or (2) there is a discharge in a special aquatic site, including wetlands. (See general condition 32.) (Authorities: Sections 10 and 404)

<u>Note 1</u>: For linear transportation projects crossing a single waterbody more than one time at separate and distant locations, or multiple waterbodies at separate and distant locations, each crossing is considered a single and complete project for purposes of NWP authorization. Linear transportation projects must

comply with 33 CFR 330.6(d). Note 2: Some discharges for the construction of farm roads or forest roads, or temporary roads for moving mining equipment, may qualify for an exemption under section 404(f) of the Clean Water Act (see 33 CFR 323.4). Note 3: For NWP 14 activities that require preconstruction notification, the PCN must include any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity, including other separate and distant crossings that require Department of the Army authorization but do not require pre-construction notification (see paragraph (b) of general condition 32). The district engineer will evaluate the PCN in accordance with Section D, "District Engineer's Decision." The district engineer may require mitigation to ensure that the authorized activity results in no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects (see general condition 23).

# B. CORPS NATIONAL GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR ALL NWPs

To qualify for NWP authorization, the prospective permittee must comply with the following general conditions, as applicable, in addition to any regional or case-specific conditions imposed by the division engineer or district engineer. Every person who may wish to obtain permit authorization under one or more NWPs, or who is currently relying on an existing or prior permit authorization under one or more NWPs, has been and is on notice that all of the provisions of 33 CFR 330.1 through 330.6 apply to every NWP authorization. Note especially 33 CFR 330.5 relating to the modification, suspension, or revocation of any NWP authorization.

- 1. Navigation. (a) No activity may cause more than a minimal adverse effect on navigation. (b) Any safety lights and signals prescribed by the U.S. Coast Guard, through regulations or otherwise, must be installed and maintained at the permittee's expense on authorized facilities in navigable waters of the United States. (c) The permittee understands and agrees that, if future operations by the United States require the removal, relocation, or other alteration, of the structure or work herein authorized, or if, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Army or his authorized representative, said structure or work shall cause unreasonable obstruction to the free navigation of the navigable waters, the permittee will be required, upon due notice from the Corps of Engineers, to remove, relocate, or alter the structural work or obstructions caused thereby, without expense to the United States. No claim shall be made against the United States on account of any such removal or alteration.
- 2. Aquatic Life Movements. No activity may substantially disrupt the necessary life cycle movements of those species of aquatic life indigenous to the waterbody, including those species that normally migrate through the area, unless the activity's primary purpose is to impound water. All permanent and temporary crossings of waterbodies shall be suitably culverted, bridged, or otherwise designed and constructed to maintain low flows to sustain the movement of those aquatic species. If a bottomless culvert cannot be used, then the crossing should be designed and constructed to minimize adverse effects to aquatic life movements.
- 3. <u>Spawning Areas</u>. Activities in spawning areas during spawning seasons must be avoided to the maximum extent practicable. Activities that result in the physical destruction (e.g., through excavation, fill, or downstream smothering by substantial turbidity) of an important spawning area are not authorized.
- 4. <u>Migratory Bird Breeding Areas</u>. Activities in waters of the United States that serve as breeding areas for migratory birds must be avoided to the maximum extent practicable.
- 5. <u>Shellfish Beds</u>. No activity may occur in areas of concentrated shellfish populations, unless the activity is directly related to a shellfish harvesting activity authorized by NWPs 4 and 48, or is a shellfish seeding or habitat restoration activity authorized by NWP 27.

- 6. <u>Suitable Material</u>. No activity may use unsuitable material (e.g., trash, debris, car bodies, asphalt, etc.). Material used for construction or discharged must be free from toxic pollutants in toxic amounts (see section 307 of the Clean Water Act).
- 7. <u>Water Supply Intakes</u>. No activity may occur in the proximity of a public water supply intake, except where the activity is for the repair or improvement of public water supply intake structures or adjacent bank stabilization.
- 8. <u>Adverse Effects From Impoundments</u>. If the activity creates an impoundment of water, adverse effects to the aquatic system due to accelerating the passage of water, and/or restricting its flow must be minimized to the maximum extent practicable.
- 9. Management of Water Flows. To the maximum extent practicable, the pre-construction course, condition, capacity, and location of open waters must be maintained for each activity, including stream channelization, storm water management activities, and temporary and permanent road crossings, except as provided below. The activity must be constructed to withstand expected high flows. The activity must not restrict or impede the passage of normal or high flows, unless the primary purpose of the activity is to impound water or manage high flows. The activity may alter the pre-construction course, condition, capacity, and location of open waters if it benefits the aquatic environment (e.g., stream restoration or relocation activities).
- 10. <u>Fills Within 100-Year Floodplains</u>. The activity must comply with applicable FEMA-approved state or local floodplain management requirements.
- 11. <u>Equipment</u>. Heavy equipment working in wetlands or mudflats must be placed on mats, or other measures must be taken to minimize soil disturbance.
- 12. <u>Soil Erosion and Sediment Controls</u>. Appropriate soil erosion and sediment controls must be used and maintained in effective operating condition during construction, and all exposed soil and other fills, as well as any work below the ordinary high water mark or high tide line, must be permanently stabilized at the earliest practicable date. Permittees are encouraged to perform work within waters of the United States during periods of low-flow or no-flow, or during low tides.
- 13. <u>Removal of Temporary Fills</u>. Temporary fills must be removed in their entirety and the affected areas returned to pre-construction elevations. The affected areas must be revegetated, as appropriate.
- 14. <u>Proper Maintenance</u>. Any authorized structure or fill shall be properly maintained, including maintenance to ensure public safety and compliance with applicable NWP general conditions, as well as any activity-specific conditions added by the district engineer to an NWP authorization.
- 15. <u>Single and Complete Project</u>. The activity must be a single and complete project. The same NWP cannot be used more than once for the same single and complete project.
- 16. Wild and Scenic Rivers. (a) No NWP activity may occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, unless the appropriate Federal agency with direct management responsibility for such river, has determined in writing that the proposed activity will not adversely affect the Wild and Scenic River designation or study status. (b) If a proposed NWP activity will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, the permittee must submit a pre-construction notification (see general condition 32). The district engineer will coordinate the PCN with the Federal agency with direct management

responsibility for that river. The permittee shall not begin the NWP activity until notified by the district engineer that the Federal agency with direct management responsibility for that river has determined in writing that the proposed NWP activity will not adversely affect the Wild and Scenic River designation or study status. (c) Information on Wild and Scenic Rivers may be obtained from the appropriate Federal land management agency responsible for the designated Wild and Scenic River or study river (e.g., National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service). Information on these rivers is also available at: http://www.rivers.gov/.

17. <u>Tribal Rights</u>. No NWP activity may cause more than minimal adverse effects on tribal rights (including treaty rights), protected tribal resources, or tribal lands.

18. Endangered Species. (a) No activity is authorized under any NWP which is likely to directly or indirectly jeopardize the continued existence of a threatened or endangered species or a species proposed for such designation, as identified under the Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA), or which will directly or indirectly destroy or adversely modify the critical habitat of such species. No activity is authorized under any NWP which "may affect" a listed species or critical habitat, unless ESA section 7 consultation addressing the effects of the proposed activity has been completed. Direct effects are the immediate effects on listed species and critical habitat caused by the NWP activity. Indirect effects are those effects on listed species and critical habitat that are caused by the NWP activity and are later in time, but still are reasonably certain to occur. (b) Federal agencies should follow their own procedures for complying with the requirements of the ESA. If pre-construction notification is required for the proposed activity, the Federal permittee must provide the district engineer with the appropriate documentation to demonstrate compliance with those requirements. The district engineer will verify that the appropriate documentation has been submitted. If the appropriate documentation has not been submitted, additional ESA section 7 consultation may be necessary for the activity and the respective federal agency would be responsible for fulfilling its obligation under section 7 of the ESA. (c) Non-federal permittees must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer if any listed species or designated critical habitat might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, or if the activity is located in designated critical habitat, and shall not begin work on the activity until notified by the district engineer that the requirements of the ESA have been satisfied and that the activity is authorized. For activities that might affect Federally-listed endangered or threatened species or designated critical habitat, the pre-construction notification must include the name(s) of the endangered or threatened species that might be affected by the proposed activity or that utilize the designated critical habitat that might be affected by the proposed activity. The district engineer will determine whether the proposed activity "may affect" or will have "no effect" to listed species and designated critical habitat and will notify the non-Federal applicant of the Corps' determination within 45 days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification. In cases where the non-Federal applicant has identified listed species or critical habitat that might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, and has so notified the Corps, the applicant shall not begin work until the Corps has provided notification that the proposed activity will have "no effect" on listed species or critical habitat, or until ESA section 7 consultation has been completed. If the non-Federal applicant has not heard back from the Corps within 45 days, the applicant must still wait for notification from the Corps. (d) As a result of formal or informal consultation with the FWS or NMFS the district engineer may add species-specific permit conditions to the NWPs. (e) Authorization of an activity by an NWP does not authorize the "take" of a threatened or endangered species as defined under the ESA. In the absence of separate authorization (e.g., an ESA Section 10 Permit, a Biological Opinion with "incidental take" provisions, etc.) from the FWS or the NMFS, the Endangered Species Act prohibits any person subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to take a listed species, where "take" means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct. The word "harm" in the definition of "take" means an act which actually kills or injures wildlife. Such an act may include significant habitat modification or degradation where it actually kills or injures wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding or sheltering.

- (f) If the non-federal permittee has a valid ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) incidental take permit with an approved Habitat Conservation Plan for a project or a group of projects that includes the proposed NWP activity, the non-federal applicant should provide a copy of that ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit with the PCN required by paragraph (c) of this general condition. The district engineer will coordinate with the agency that issued the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit to determine whether the proposed NWP activity and the associated incidental take were considered in the internal ESA section 7 consultation conducted for the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit. If that coordination results in concurrence from the agency that the proposed NWP activity and the associated incidental take were considered in the internal ESA section 7 consultation for the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit, the district engineer does not need to conduct a separate ESA section 7 consultation for the proposed NWP activity. The district engineer will notify the non-federal applicant within 45 days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification whether the ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit covers the proposed NWP activity or whether additional ESA section 7 consultation is required. (g) Information on the location of threatened and endangered species and their critical habitat can be obtained directly from the offices of the FWS and NMFS or their world wide web pages at http://www.fws.gov/ or http://www.fws.gov/ipac and http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/species/esa/ respectively.
- 19. <u>Migratory Birds and Bald and Golden Eagles</u>. The permittee is responsible for ensuring their action complies with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. The permittee is responsible for contacting appropriate local office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to determine applicable measures to reduce impacts to migratory birds or eagles, including whether "incidental take" permits are necessary and available under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act or Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act for a particular activity.
- 20. Historic Properties. (a) In cases where the district engineer determines that the activity may have the potential to cause effects to properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places, the activity is not authorized, until the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) have been satisfied. (b) Federal permittees should follow their own procedures for complying with the requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. If preconstruction notification is required for the proposed NWP activity, the Federal permittee must provide the district engineer with the appropriate documentation to demonstrate compliance with those requirements. The district engineer will verify that the appropriate documentation has been submitted. If the appropriate documentation is not submitted, then additional consultation under section 106 may be necessary. The respective federal agency is responsible for fulfilling its obligation to comply with section 106. (c) Non-federal permittees must submit a pre-construction notification to the district engineer if the NWP activity might have the potential to cause effects to any historic properties listed on, determined to be eligible for listing on, or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, including previously unidentified properties. For such activities, the pre-construction notification must state which historic properties might have the potential to be affected by the proposed NWP activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic properties or the potential for the presence of historic properties. Assistance regarding information on the location of, or potential for, the presence of historic properties can be sought from the State Historic Preservation Officer, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, or designated tribal representative, as appropriate, and the National Register of Historic Places (see 33 CFR 330.4(g)). When reviewing pre-construction notifications, district engineers will comply with the current procedures for addressing the requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The district engineer shall make a reasonable and good faith effort to carry out appropriate identification efforts, which may include background research, consultation, oral history interviews, sample field investigation, and field survey. Based on the information submitted in the PCN and these identification efforts, the district engineer shall determine whether the proposed NWP activity has the potential to cause effects on the historic properties. Section 106 consultation is not required when the district engineer determines that the activity does not have the potential to cause effects on historic properties (see 36 CFR 800.3(a)). Section 106 consultation is required when the district engineer

determines that the activity has the potential to cause effects on historic properties. The district engineer will conduct consultation with consulting parties identified under 36 CFR 800.2(c) when he or she makes any of the following effect determinations for the purposes of section 106 of the NHPA: no historic properties affected, no adverse effect, or adverse effect. Where the non-Federal applicant has identified historic properties on which the activity might have the potential to cause effects and so notified the Corps, the non-Federal applicant shall not begin the activity until notified by the district engineer either that the activity has no potential to cause effects to historic properties or that NHPA section 106 consultation has been completed. (d) For non-federal permittees, the district engineer will notify the prospective permittee within 45 days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification whether NHPA section 106 consultation is required. If NHPA section 106 consultation is required, the district engineer will notify the non-Federal applicant that he or she cannot begin the activity until section 106 consultation is completed. If the non-Federal applicant has not heard back from the Corps within 45 days, the applicant must still wait for notification from the Corps. (e) Prospective permittees should be aware that section 110k of the NHPA (54 U.S.C. 306113) prevents the Corps from granting a permit or other assistance to an applicant who, with intent to avoid the requirements of section 106 of the NHPA, has intentionally significantly adversely affected a historic property to which the permit would relate, or having legal power to prevent it, allowed such significant adverse effect to occur, unless the Corps, after consultation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), determines that circumstances justify granting such assistance despite the adverse effect created or permitted by the applicant. If circumstances justify granting the assistance, the Corps is required to notify the ACHP and provide documentation specifying the circumstances, the degree of damage to the integrity of any historic properties affected, and proposed mitigation. This documentation must include any views obtained from the applicant, SHPO/THPO, appropriate Indian tribes if the undertaking occurs on or affects historic properties on tribal lands or affects properties of interest to those tribes, and other parties known to have a legitimate interest in the impacts to the permitted activity on historic properties.

- 21. <u>Discovery of Previously Unknown Remains and Artifacts</u>. If you discover any previously unknown historic, cultural or archeological remains and artifacts while accomplishing the activity authorized by this permit, you must immediately notify the district engineer of what you have found, and to the maximum extent practicable, avoid construction activities that may affect the remains and artifacts until the required coordination has been completed. The district engineer will initiate the Federal, Tribal, and state coordination required to determine if the items or remains warrant a recovery effort or if the site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 22. <u>Designated Critical Resource Waters</u>. Critical resource waters include, NOAA-managed marine sanctuaries and marine monuments, and National Estuarine Research Reserves. The district engineer may designate, after notice and opportunity for public comment, additional waters officially designated by a state as having particular environmental or ecological significance, such as outstanding national resource waters or state natural heritage sites. The district engineer may also designate additional critical resource waters after notice and opportunity for public comment. (a) Discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States are not authorized by NWPs 7, 12, 14, 16, 17, 21, 29, 31, 35, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 49, 50, 51, and 52 for any activity within, or directly affecting, critical resource waters, including wetlands adjacent to such waters. (b) For NWPs 3, 8, 10, 13, 15, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, and 54, notification is required in accordance with general condition 32, for any activity proposed in the designated critical resource waters including wetlands adjacent to those waters. The district engineer may authorize activities under these NWPs only after it is determined that the impacts to the critical resource waters will be no more than minimal.
- 23. <u>Mitigation</u>. The district engineer will consider the following factors when determining appropriate and practicable mitigation necessary to ensure that the individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal: (a) The activity must be designed and constructed to avoid and minimize adverse effects, both temporary and permanent, to waters of the United States to the maximum

extent practicable at the project site (i.e., on site). (b) Mitigation in all its forms (avoiding, minimizing, rectifying, reducing, or compensating for resource losses) will be required to the extent necessary to ensure that the individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal. (c) Compensatory mitigation at a minimum one-for-one ratio will be required for all wetland losses that exceed 1/10-acre and require pre-construction notification, unless the district engineer determines in writing that either some other form of mitigation would be more environmentally appropriate or the adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal, and provides an activity-specific waiver of this requirement. For wetland losses of 1/10-acre or less that require preconstruction notification, the district engineer may determine on a case-by-case basis that compensatory mitigation is required to ensure that the activity results in only minimal adverse environmental effects. (d) For losses of streams or other open waters that require pre-construction notification, the district engineer may require compensatory mitigation to ensure that the activity results in no more than minimal adverse environmental effects. Compensatory mitigation for losses of streams should be provided, if practicable, through stream rehabilitation, enhancement, or preservation, since streams are difficult-toreplace resources (see 33 CFR 332.3(e)(3)). (e) Compensatory mitigation plans for NWP activities in or near streams or other open waters will normally include a requirement for the restoration or enhancement, maintenance, and legal protection (e.g., conservation easements) of riparian areas next to open waters. In some cases, the restoration or maintenance/protection of riparian areas may be the only compensatory mitigation required. Restored riparian areas should consist of native species. The width of the required riparian area will address documented water quality or aquatic habitat loss concerns. Normally, the riparian area will be 25 to 50 feet wide on each side of the stream, but the district engineer may require slightly wider riparian areas to address documented water quality or habitat loss concerns. If it is not possible to restore or maintain/protect a riparian area on both sides of a stream, or if the waterbody is a lake or coastal waters, then restoring or maintaining/protecting a riparian area along a single bank or shoreline may be sufficient. Where both wetlands and open waters exist on the project site, the district engineer will determine the appropriate compensatory mitigation (e.g., riparian areas and/or wetlands compensation) based on what is best for the aquatic environment on a watershed basis. In cases where riparian areas are determined to be the most appropriate form of minimization or compensatory mitigation, the district engineer may waive or reduce the requirement to provide wetland compensatory mitigation for wetland losses. (f) Compensatory mitigation projects provided to offset losses of aquatic resources must comply with the applicable provisions of 33 CFR part 332.

(1) The prospective permittee is responsible for proposing an appropriate compensatory mitigation option if compensatory mitigation is necessary to ensure that the activity results in no more than minimal adverse environmental effects. For the NWPs, the preferred mechanism for providing compensatory mitigation is mitigation bank credits or in-lieu fee program credits (see 33 CFR 332.3(b)(2) and (3)). However, if an appropriate number and type of mitigation bank or in-lieu credits are not available at the time the PCN is submitted to the district engineer, the district engineer may approve the use of permittee-responsible mitigation. (2) The amount of compensatory mitigation required by the district engineer must be sufficient to ensure that the authorized activity results in no more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects (see 33 CFR 330.1(e)(3)). (See also 33 CFR 332.3(f)). (3) Since the likelihood of success is greater and the impacts to potentially valuable uplands are reduced, aquatic resource restoration should be the first compensatory mitigation option considered for permittee-responsible mitigation. (4) If permitteeresponsible mitigation is the proposed option, the prospective permittee is responsible for submitting a mitigation plan. A conceptual or detailed mitigation plan may be used by the district engineer to make the decision on the NWP verification request, but a final mitigation plan that addresses the applicable requirements of 33 CFR 332.4(c)(2) through (14) must be approved by the district engineer before the permittee begins work in waters of the United States, unless the district engineer determines that prior approval of the final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation (see 33 CFR 332.3(k)(3)). (5) If mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program credits are the proposed option, the mitigation plan only needs

to address the baseline conditions at the impact site and the number of credits to be provided. (6) Compensatory mitigation requirements (e.g., resource type and amount to be provided as compensatory mitigation, site protection, ecological performance standards, monitoring requirements) may be addressed through conditions added to the NWP authorization, instead of components of a compensatory mitigation plan (see 33 CFR 332.4(c)(1)(ii)).

- (g) Compensatory mitigation will not be used to increase the acreage losses allowed by the acreage limits of the NWPs. For example, if an NWP has an acreage limit of 1/2-acre, it cannot be used to authorize any NWP activity resulting in the loss of greater than 1/2-acre of waters of the United States, even if compensatory mitigation is provided that replaces or restores some of the lost waters. However, compensatory mitigation can and should be used, as necessary, to ensure that an NWP activity already meeting the established acreage limits also satisfies the no more than minimal impact requirement for the NWPs. (h) Permittees may propose the use of mitigation banks, in-lieu fee programs, or permitteeresponsible mitigation. When developing a compensatory mitigation proposal, the permittee must consider appropriate and practicable options consistent with the framework at 33 CFR 332.3(b). For activities resulting in the loss of marine or estuarine resources, permittee-responsible mitigation may be environmentally preferable if there are no mitigation banks or in-lieu fee programs in the area that have marine or estuarine credits available for sale or transfer to the permittee. For permittee-responsible mitigation, the special conditions of the NWP verification must clearly indicate the party or parties responsible for the implementation and performance of the compensatory mitigation project, and, if required, its long-term management. (i) Where certain functions and services of waters of the United States are permanently adversely affected by a regulated activity, such as discharges of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States that will convert a forested or scrub-shrub wetland to a herbaceous wetland in a permanently maintained utility line right-of-way, mitigation may be required to reduce the adverse environmental effects of the activity to the no more than minimal level.
- 24. <u>Safety of Impoundment Structures</u>. To ensure that all impoundment structures are safely designed, the district engineer may require non-Federal applicants to demonstrate that the structures comply with established state dam safety criteria or have been designed by qualified persons. The district engineer may also require documentation that the design has been independently reviewed by similarly qualified persons, and appropriate modifications made to ensure safety.
- 25. Water Quality. Where States and authorized Tribes, or EPA where applicable, have not previously certified compliance of an NWP with CWA section 401, individual 401 Water Quality Certification must be obtained or waived (see 33 CFR 330.4(c)). The district engineer or State or Tribe may require additional water quality management measures to ensure that the authorized activity does not result in more than minimal degradation of water quality.
- 26. <u>Coastal Zone Management</u>. In coastal states where an NWP has not previously received a state coastal zone management consistency concurrence, an individual state coastal zone management consistency concurrence must be obtained, or a presumption of concurrence must occur (see 33 CFR 330.4(d)). The district engineer or a State may require additional measures to ensure that the authorized activity is consistent with state coastal zone management requirements.
- 27. <u>Regional and Case-By-Case Conditions</u>. The activity must comply with any regional conditions that may have been added by the Division Engineer (see 33 CFR 330.4(e)) and with any case specific conditions added by the Corps or by the state, Indian Tribe, or U.S. EPA in its section 401 Water Quality Certification, or by the state in its Coastal Zone Management Act consistency determination.
- 28. <u>Use of Multiple Nationwide Permits</u>. The use of more than one NWP for a single and complete project is prohibited, except when the acreage loss of waters of the United States authorized by the NWPs does not exceed the acreage limit of the NWP with the highest specified acreage limit. For example, if a

road crossing over tidal waters is constructed under NWP 14, with associated bank stabilization authorized by NWP 13, the maximum acreage loss of waters of the United States for the total project cannot exceed 1/3-acre.

29. <u>Transfer of Nationwide Permit Verifications</u>. If the permittee sells the property associated with a nationwide permit verification, the permittee may transfer the nationwide permit verification to the new owner by submitting a letter to the appropriate Corps district office to validate the transfer. A copy of the nationwide permit verification must be attached to the letter, and the letter must contain the following statement and signature: "When the structures or work authorized by this nationwide permit are still in existence at the time the property is transferred, the terms and conditions of this nationwide permit, including any special conditions, will continue to be binding on the new owner(s) of the property. To validate the transfer of this nationwide permit and the associated liabilities associated with compliance with its terms and conditions, have the transferee sign and date below."

(Transferee)	
(Date)	

- 30. Compliance Certification. Each permittee who receives an NWP verification letter from the Corps must provide a signed certification documenting completion of the authorized activity and implementation of any required compensatory mitigation. The success of any required permittee-responsible mitigation, including the achievement of ecological performance standards, will be addressed separately by the district engineer. The Corps will provide the permittee the certification document with the NWP verification letter. The certification document will include: (a) A statement that the authorized activity was done in accordance with the NWP authorization, including any general, regional, or activity-specific conditions; (b) A statement that the implementation of any required compensatory mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions. If credits from a mitigation bank or in-lieu fee program are used to satisfy the compensatory mitigation requirements, the certification must include the documentation required by 33 CFR 332.3(1)(3) to confirm that the permittee secured the appropriate number and resource type of credits; and (c) The signature of the permittee certifying the completion of the activity and mitigation. The completed certification document must be submitted to the district engineer within 30 days of completion of the authorized activity or the implementation of any required compensatory mitigation, whichever occurs later.
- 31. Activities Affecting Structures or Works Built by the United States. If an NWP activity also requires permission from the Corps pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will alter or temporarily or permanently occupy or use a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) federally authorized Civil Works project (a "USACE project"), the prospective permittee must submit a pre-construction notification. See paragraph (b)(10) of general condition 32. An activity that requires section 408 permission is not authorized by NWP until the appropriate Corps office issues the section 408 permission to alter, occupy, or use the USACE project, and the district engineer issues a written NWP verification.
- 32. Pre-Construction Notification. (a) Timing. Where required by the terms of the NWP, the prospective permittee must notify the district engineer by submitting a pre-construction notification (PCN) as early as possible. The district engineer must determine if the PCN is complete within 30 calendar days of the date of receipt and, if the PCN is determined to be incomplete, notify the prospective permittee within that 30 day period to request the additional information necessary to make the PCN complete. The request must specify the information needed to make the PCN complete. As a general rule, district engineers will request additional information necessary to make the PCN complete only once. However, if the prospective permittee does not provide all of the requested information, then the district engineer will notify the prospective permittee that the PCN is still incomplete and the PCN review process will not

commence until all of the requested information has been received by the district engineer. The prospective permittee shall not begin the activity until either:

(1) He or she is notified in writing by the district engineer that the activity may proceed under the

NWP with any special conditions imposed by the district or division engineer; or

(2) 45 calendar days have passed from the district engineer's receipt of the complete PCN and the prospective permittee has not received written notice from the district or division engineer. However, if the permittee was required to notify the Corps pursuant to general condition 18 that listed species or critical habitat might be affected or are in the vicinity of the activity, or to notify the Corps pursuant to general condition 20 that the activity might have the potential to cause effects to historic properties, the permittee cannot begin the activity until receiving written notification from the Corps that there is "no effect" on listed species or "no potential to cause effects" on historic properties, or that any consultation required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (see 33 CFR 330.4(f)) and/or section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (see 33 CFR 330.4(g)) has been completed. Also, work cannot begin under NWPs 21, 49, or 50 until the permittee has received written approval from the Corps. If the proposed activity requires a written waiver to exceed specified limits of an NWP, the permittee may not begin the activity until the district engineer issues the waiver. If the district or division engineer notifies the permittee in writing that an individual permit is required within 45 calendar days of receipt of a complete PCN, the permittee cannot begin the activity until an individual permit has been obtained. Subsequently, the permittee's right to proceed under the NWP may be modified, suspended, or revoked only in accordance with the procedure set forth in 33 CFR 330.5(d)(2).

(b) Contents of Pre-Construction Notification: The PCN must be in writing and include the following information:

(1) Name, address and telephone numbers of the prospective permittee;

(2) Location of the proposed activity;

(3) Identify the specific NWP or NWP(s) the prospective permittee wants to use to authorize

the proposed activity;

- (4) A description of the proposed activity; the activity's purpose; direct and indirect adverse environmental effects the activity would cause, including the anticipated amount of loss of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters expected to result from the NWP activity, in acres, linear feet, or other appropriate unit of measure; a description of any proposed mitigation measures intended to reduce the adverse environmental effects caused by the proposed activity; and any other NWP(s), regional general permit(s), or individual permit(s) used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity, including other separate and distant crossings for linear projects that require Department of the Army authorization but do not require pre-construction notification. The description of the proposed activity and any proposed mitigation measures should be sufficiently detailed to allow the district engineer to determine that the adverse environmental effects of the activity will be no more than minimal and to determine the need for compensatory mitigation or other mitigation measures. For single and complete linear projects, the PCN must include the quantity of anticipated losses of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters for each single and complete crossing of those wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters. Sketches should be provided when necessary to show that the activity complies with the terms of the NWP. (Sketches usually clarify the activity and when provided results in a quicker decision. Sketches should contain sufficient detail to provide an illustrative description of the proposed activity (e.g., a conceptual plan), but do not need to be detailed engineering plans);
- (5) The PCN must include a delineation of wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters, such as lakes and ponds, and perennial, intermittent, and ephemeral streams, on the project site. Wetland delineations must be prepared in accordance with the current method required by the Corps. The permittee may ask the Corps to delineate the special aquatic sites and other waters on the project site, but there may be a delay if the Corps does the delineation, especially if the project site is large or contains many wetlands, other special aquatic sites, and other waters. Furthermore, the 45 day period will not start until the delineation has been submitted to or completed by the Corps, as appropriate;

- (6) If the proposed activity will result in the loss of greater than 1/10-acre of wetlands and a PCN is required, the prospective permittee must submit a statement describing how the mitigation requirement will be satisfied, or explaining why the adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal and why compensatory mitigation should not be required. As an alternative, the prospective permittee may submit a conceptual or detailed mitigation plan.
- (7) For non-Federal permittees, if any listed species or designated critical habitat might be affected or is in the vicinity of the activity, or if the activity is located in designated critical habitat, the PCN must include the name(s) of those endangered or threatened species that might be affected by the proposed activity or utilize the designated critical habitat that might be affected by the proposed activity. For NWP activities that require pre-construction notification, Federal permittees must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with the Endangered Species Act;
- (8) For non-Federal permittees, if the NWP activity might have the potential to cause effects to a historic property listed on, determined to be eligible for listing on, or potentially eligible for listing on, the National Register of Historic Places, the PCN must state which historic property might have the potential to be affected by the proposed activity or include a vicinity map indicating the location of the historic property. For NWP activities that require pre-construction notification, Federal permittees must provide documentation demonstrating compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act;
- (9) For an activity that will occur in a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, or in a river officially designated by Congress as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the system while the river is in an official study status, the PCN must identify the Wild and Scenic River or the "study river" (see general condition 16); and
- (10) For an activity that requires permission from the Corps pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 408 because it will alter or temporarily or permanently occupy or use a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers federally authorized civil works project, the pre-construction notification must include a statement confirming that the project proponent has submitted a written request for section 408 permission from the Corps office having jurisdiction over that USACE project.
- (c) Form of Pre-Construction Notification: The standard individual permit application form (Form ENG 4345) may be used, but the completed application form must clearly indicate that it is an NWP PCN and must include all of the applicable information required in paragraphs (b)(1) through (10) of this general condition. A letter containing the required information may also be used. Applicants may provide electronic files of PCNs and supporting materials if the district engineer has established tools and procedures for electronic submittals. (d) Agency Coordination: (1) The district engineer will consider any comments from Federal and state agencies concerning the proposed activity's compliance with the terms and conditions of the NWPs and the need for mitigation to reduce the activity's adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal. (2) Agency coordination is required for; (i) all NWP activities that require pre-construction notification and result in the loss of greater than 1/2-acre of waters of the United States; (ii) NWP 21, 29, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 50, 51, and 52 activities that require preconstruction notification and will result in the loss of greater than 300 linear feet of stream bed; (iii) NWP 13 activities in excess of 500 linear feet, fills greater than one cubic yard per running foot, or involve discharges of dredged or fill material into special aquatic sites; and (iv) NWP 54 activities in excess of 500 linear feet, or that extend into the waterbody more than 30 feet from the mean low water line in tidal waters or the ordinary high water mark in the Great Lakes. (3) When agency coordination is required, the district engineer will immediately provide (e.g., via e-mail, facsimile transmission, overnight mail, or other expeditious manner) a copy of the complete PCN to the appropriate Federal or state offices (FWS, state natural resource or water quality agency, EPA, and, if appropriate, the NMFS). With the exception of NWP 37, these agencies will have 10 calendar days from the date the material is transmitted to notify the district engineer via telephone, facsimile transmission, or e-mail that they intend to provide substantive, site-specific comments. The comments must explain why the agency believes the adverse environmental effects will be more than minimal. If so contacted by an agency, the district engineer will wait an additional 15 calendar days before making a decision on the pre-construction notification. The district engineer will fully consider agency comments received within the specified time frame

concerning the proposed activity's compliance with the terms and conditions of the NWPs, including the need for mitigation to ensure the net adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than minimal. The district engineer will provide no response to the resource agency, except as provided below. The district engineer will indicate in the administrative record associated with each preconstruction notification that the resource agencies' concerns were considered. For NWP 37, the emergency watershed protection and rehabilitation activity may proceed immediately in cases where there is an unacceptable hazard to life or a significant loss of property or economic hardship will occur. The district engineer will consider any comments received to decide whether the NWP 37 authorization should be modified, suspended, or revoked in accordance with the procedures at 33 CFR 330.5.

(4) In cases of where the prospective permittee is not a Federal agency, the district engineer will provide a response to NMFS within 30 calendar days of receipt of any Essential Fish Habitat conservation recommendations, as required by section 305(b)(4)(B) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. (5) Applicants are encouraged to provide the Corps with either electronic files or multiple copies of pre-construction notifications to expedite agency coordination.

District Engineer's Decision: 1. In reviewing the PCN for the proposed activity, the district engineer will determine whether the activity authorized by the NWP will result in more than minimal individual or cumulative adverse environmental effects or may be contrary to the public interest. If a project proponent requests authorization by a specific NWP, the district engineer should issue the NWP verification for that activity if it meets the terms and conditions of that NWP, unless he or she determines, after considering mitigation, that the proposed activity will result in more than minimal individual and cumulative adverse effects on the aquatic environment and other aspects of the public interest and exercises discretionary authority to require an individual permit for the proposed activity. For a linear project, this determination will include an evaluation of the individual crossings of waters of the United States to determine whether they individually satisfy the terms and conditions of the NWP(s), as well as the cumulative effects caused by all of the crossings authorized by NWP. If an applicant requests a waiver of the 300 linear foot limit on impacts to streams or of an otherwise applicable limit, as provided for in NWPs 13, 21, 29, 36, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 50, 51, 52, or 54, the district engineer will only grant the waiver upon a written determination that the NWP activity will result in only minimal individual and cumulative adverse environmental effects. For those NWPs that have a waivable 300 linear foot limit for losses of intermittent and ephemeral stream bed and a 1/2-acre limit (i.e., NWPs 21, 29, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 50, 51, and 52), the loss of intermittent and ephemeral stream bed, plus any other losses of jurisdictional waters and wetlands, cannot exceed 1/2-acre. 2. When making minimal adverse environmental effects determinations the district engineer will consider the direct and indirect effects caused by the NWP activity. He or she will also consider the cumulative adverse environmental effects caused by activities authorized by NWP and whether those cumulative adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal. The district engineer will also consider site specific factors, such as the environmental setting in the vicinity of the NWP activity, the type of resource that will be affected by the NWP activity, the functions provided by the aquatic resources that will be affected by the NWP activity, the degree or magnitude to which the aquatic resources perform those functions, the extent that aquatic resource functions will be lost as a result of the NWP activity (e.g., partial or complete loss), the duration of the adverse effects (temporary or permanent), the importance of the aquatic resource functions to the region (e.g., watershed or ecoregion), and mitigation required by the district engineer. If an appropriate functional or condition assessment method is available and practicable to use, that assessment method may be used by the district engineer to assist in the minimal adverse environmental effects determination. The district engineer may add case-specific special conditions to the NWP authorization to address sitespecific environmental concerns. 3. If the proposed activity requires a PCN and will result in a loss of greater than 1/10-acre of wetlands, the prospective permittee should submit a mitigation proposal with the PCN. Applicants may also propose compensatory mitigation for NWP activities with smaller impacts, or for impacts to other types of waters (e.g., streams). The district engineer will consider any proposed compensatory mitigation or other mitigation measures the applicant has included in the proposal in determining whether the net adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are no more than

minimal. The compensatory mitigation proposal may be either conceptual or detailed. If the district engineer determines that the activity complies with the terms and conditions of the NWP and that the adverse environmental effects are no more than minimal, after considering mitigation, the district engineer will notify the permittee and include any activity-specific conditions in the NWP verification the district engineer deems necessary. Conditions for compensatory mitigation requirements must comply with the appropriate provisions at 33 CFR 332.3(k). The district engineer must approve the final mitigation plan before the permittee commences work in waters of the United States, unless the district engineer determines that prior approval of the final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation. If the prospective permittee elects to submit a compensatory mitigation plan with the PCN, the district engineer will expeditiously review the proposed compensatory mitigation plan. The district engineer must review the proposed compensatory mitigation plan within 45 calendar days of receiving a complete PCN and determine whether the proposed mitigation would ensure the NWP activity results in no more than minimal adverse environmental effects. If the net adverse environmental effects of the NWP activity (after consideration of the mitigation proposal) are determined by the district engineer to be no more than minimal, the district engineer will provide a timely written response to the applicant. The response will state that the NWP activity can proceed under the terms and conditions of the NWP, including any activity-specific conditions added to the NWP authorization by the district engineer. 4. If the district engineer determines that the adverse environmental effects of the proposed activity are more than minimal, then the district engineer will notify the applicant either: (a) that the activity does not qualify for authorization under the NWP and instruct the applicant on the procedures to seek authorization under an individual permit; (b) that the activity is authorized under the NWP subject to the applicant's submission of a mitigation plan that would reduce the adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal; or (c) that the activity is authorized under the NWP with specific modifications or conditions. Where the district engineer determines that mitigation is required to ensure no more than minimal adverse environmental effects, the activity will be authorized within the 45-day PCN period (unless additional time is required to comply with general conditions 18, 20, and/or 31, or to evaluate PCNs for activities authorized by NWPs 21, 49, and 50), with activity-specific conditions that state the mitigation requirements. The authorization will include the necessary conceptual or detailed mitigation plan or a requirement that the applicant submit a mitigation plan that would reduce the adverse environmental effects so that they are no more than minimal. When compensatory mitigation is required, no work in waters of the United States may occur until the district engineer has approved a specific mitigation plan or has determined that prior approval of a final mitigation plan is not practicable or not necessary to ensure timely completion of the required compensatory mitigation.

Further Information: 1. District Engineers have authority to determine if an activity complies with the terms and conditions of an NWP. 2. NWPs do not obviate the need to obtain other federal, state, or local permits, approvals, or authorizations required by law. 3. NWPs do not grant any property rights or exclusive privileges. 4. NWPs do not authorize any injury to the property or rights of others. 5. NWPs do not authorize interference with any existing or proposed Federal project (see general condition 31).

- C. CORPS SEATTLE DISTRICT REGIONAL GENERAL CONDITIONS: The following conditions apply to all NWPs for the Seattle District in Washington State, unless specified.
- 1. <u>Project Drawings</u>: Drawings must be submitted with pre-construction notification (PCN). Drawings must provide a clear understanding of the proposed project, and how waters of the U.S. will be affected. Drawings must be originals and not reduced copies of large-scale plans. Engineering drawings are not required. Existing and proposed site conditions (manmade and landscape features) must be drawn to scale.
- 2. <u>Aquatic Resources Requiring Special Protection</u>: Activities resulting in a loss of waters of the United States in mature forested wetlands, bogs and peatlands, aspen-dominated wetlands, alkali

wetlands, vernal pools, camas prairie wetlands, estuarine wetlands, wetlands in coastal lagoons, and wetlands in dunal systems along the Washington coast cannot be authorized by a NWP, except by the following NWPs:

NWP 3 - Maintenance

NWP 20 - Response Operations for Oil and Hazardous Substances

NWP 32 - Completed Enforcement Actions

NWP 38 - Cleanup of Hazardous and Toxic Waste

In order to use one of the above-referenced NWPs in any of the aquatic resources requiring special protection, prospective permittees must submit a PCN to the Corps of Engineers (see NWP general condition 32) and obtain written authorization before commencing work.

- 3. New Bank Stabilization in Tidal Waters of Puget Sound: Activities involving new bank stabilization in tidal waters in Water Resource Inventory Areas (WRIAs) 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 (within the areas identified on Figures 1a through 1e on Corps website) cannot be authorized by NWP.
- **4.** <u>Commencement Bay</u>: The following NWPs may not be used to authorize activities located in the Commencement Bay Study Area (see Figure 2 on Corps website):

NWP 12 – Utility Line Activities (substations)

NWP 13 - Bank Stabilization

NWP 14 - Linear Transportation Projects

NWP 23 - Approved Categorical Exclusions

NWP 29 - Residential Developments

NWP 39 - Commercial and Institutional Developments

NWP 40 - Agricultural Activities

NWP 41 - Reshaping Existing Drainage Ditches

NWP 42 - Recreational Facilities

NWP 43 - Stormwater and Wastewater Management Facilities

- <u>5. Bank Stabilization:</u> All projects including new or maintenance bank stabilization activities require PCN to the Corps of Engineers (see NWP general condition 32). For new bank stabilization projects only, the following must be submitted to the Corps of Engineers:
  - a. The cause of the erosion and the distance of any existing structures from the area(s) being stabilized.
  - b. The type and length of existing bank stabilization within 300 feet of the proposed project.
  - c. A description of current conditions and expected post-project conditions in the waterbody.
  - d. A statement describing how the project incorporates elements avoiding and minimizing adverse environmental effects to the aquatic environment and nearshore riparian area, including vegetation impacts in the waterbody.

In addition to a. through d., the results from any relevant geotechnical investigations can be submitted with the PCN if it describes current or expected conditions in the waterbody.

- 6. Crossings of Waters of the United States: Any project including installing, replacing, or modifying crossings of waters of the United States, such as culverts or bridges, requires submittal of a PCN to the Corps of Engineers (see NWP general condition 32). If a culvert is proposed to cross waters of the U.S. where salmonid species are present or could be present, the project must apply the stream simulation design method from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife located in the Water Crossing Design Guidelines (2013), or a design method which provides passage at all life stages at all flows where the salmonid species would naturally seek passage. If the stream simulation design method is not applied for a culvert where salmonid species are present or could be present, the project proponent must provide a rationale in the PCN sufficient to establish one of the following:
  - a. The existence of extraordinary site conditions.

b. How the proposed design will provide equivalent or better fish passage and fisheries habitat benefits than the stream simulation design method.

If a culvert is proposed to cross waters of the U.S. where salmonid species are present or could be present, project proponents must provide a monitoring plan with the PCN that specifies how the proposed culvert will be assessed over a five-year period from the time of construction completion to ensure its effectiveness in providing passage at all life stages at all flows where the salmonid species would naturally seek passage. Culverts installed under emergency authorization that do not meet the above design criteria will be required to meet the above design criteria to receive an after-the-fact nationwide permit verification.

- 7. Stream Loss: A PCN is required for all activities that result in the loss of any linear feet of stream beds. No activity shall result in the loss of any linear feet of perennial stream beds or the loss of greater than 300 linear feet of intermittent and/or ephemeral stream beds. A stream may be rerouted if it is designed in a manner that maintains or restores hydrologic, ecologic, and geomorphic stream processes, provided there is not a reduction in the linear feet of stream bed. Streams include brooks, creeks, rivers, and historical waters of the U.S. that have been channelized into ditches. This condition does not apply to ditches constructed in uplands. Stream loss restrictions may be waived by the district engineer on a case-by-case basis provided the activities result in net increases of aquatic resource functions and services.
- 8. <u>Mitigation</u>: Pre-construction notification is required for any project that will result in permanent wetland losses that exceed 1,000 square feet. In addition to the requirements of General Condition 23 (Mitigation), compensatory mitigation at a minimum one-to-one ratio will be required for all permanent wetland losses that exceed 1,000 square feet. When a PCN is required for wetland losses less than 1,000 square feet, the Corps of Engineers may determine on a case-by-case basis that compensatory mitigation is required to ensure that the activity results in minimal adverse effects on the aquatic environment. Compensatory mitigation for impacts to marine waters, lakes, and streams will be determined on a case-by-case basis. If temporary impacts to waters of the U.S. exceed six months, the Corps of Engineers may require compensatory mitigation for temporal effects.
- 9. Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Essential Fish Habitat
  Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) is defined as those waters and substrate necessary to fish for spawning, breeding, feeding, or growth to maturity. If EFH may be adversely affected by a proposed activity, the prospective permittee must provide a written EFH assessment with an analysis of the effects of the proposed action on EFH. The assessment must identify the type(s) of essential fish habitat (i.e., Pacific salmon, groundfish, and/or coastal-pelagic species) that may be affected. If the Corps of Engineers determines the project will adversely affect EFH, consultation with NOAA Fisheries will be required. Federal agencies should follow their own procedures for complying with the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. If PCN is required for the proposed activity, Federal permittees must provide the district engineer with the appropriate documentation to demonstrate compliance with those requirements.
- 10. Forage Fish: For projects in forage fish spawning habitat, in-water work must occur within designated forage fish work windows, or when forage fish are not spawning. If working outside of a designated work window, or if forage fish work windows are closed year round, work may occur if the work window restriction is released for a period of time after a forage fish spawning survey has been conducted by a biologist approved by the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW). Forage fish species with designated in-water work windows include Pacific sand lance (Ammodytes hexapterus), Pacific herring (Clupea pallasi), and surf smelt (Hypomesus pretiosus). This RGC does not apply to NWP 48, Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Activities. Please see specific regional conditions for NWP 48.

- 11. <u>Notification of Permit Requirements</u>: The permittee must provide a copy of the nationwide permit authorization letter, conditions, and permit drawings to all contractors and any other parties performing the authorized work prior to the commencement of any work in waters of the U.S. The permittee must ensure all appropriate contractors and any other parties performing the authorized work at the project site have read and understand relevant NWP conditions as well as plans, approvals, and documents referenced in the NWP letter. A copy of these documents must be maintained onsite throughout the duration of construction.
- 12. <u>Construction Boundaries</u>: Permittees must clearly mark all construction area boundaries before beginning work on projects that involve grading or placement of fill. Boundary markers and/or construction fencing must be maintained and clearly visible for the duration of construction. Permittees should avoid and minimize removal of native vegetation (including submerged aquatic vegetation) to the maximum extent possible.

### 13. Temporary Impacts and Site Restoration

- a. Temporary impacts to waters of the U.S. must not exceed six months unless the prospective permittee requests and receives a waiver by the district engineer. Temporary impacts to waters of the U.S. must be identified in the PCN.
- b. No more than 1/2 acre of waters of the U.S. may be temporarily filled unless the prospective permittee requests and receives a waiver from the district engineer (temporary fills do not affect specified limits for loss of waters associated with specific nationwide permits).
- c. Native soils removed from waters of the U.S. for project construction should be stockpiled and used for site restoration. Restoration of temporarily disturbed areas must include returning the area to preproject ground surface contours. If native soil is not available from the project site for restoration, suitable clean soil of the same textural class may be used. Other soils may be used only if identified in the PCN.
- d. The permittee must revegetate disturbed areas with native plant species sufficient in number, spacing, and diversity to restore affected functions. A maintenance and monitoring plan commensurate with the impacts, may be required. Revegetation must begin as soon as site conditions allow within the same growing season as the disturbance unless the schedule is approved by the Corps of Engineers. Native plants removed from waters of the U.S. for project construction should be stockpiled and used for revegetation when feasible. Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control measures must be removed as soon as the area has established vegetation sufficient to control erosion and sediment.
- e. If the Corps determines the project will result in temporary impacts of submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) that are more than minimal, a monitoring plan must be submitted. If recovery is not achieved by the end of the monitoring period, contingencies must be implemented, and additional monitoring will be required.

This RGC does not apply to NWP 48, Commercial Shellfish Aquaculture Activities. Please see specific regional conditions for NWP 48.

### D. CORPS REGIONAL SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR THIS NWPS:

- 1. Private residential driveways in waters of the U.S. with footprints wider than 22 feet or longer than 200 feet are not authorized by this NWP. For this requirement, "footprint" refers to the bottom width of the roadway fill prism.
- 2. A pre-construction notification must be submitted to the district engineer (see NWP general condition 32) for linear transportation project crossings in tidal waters.

### E. ECOLOGY 401 CERTIFICATION: GENERAL CONDITIONS

In addition to all the Corps National and Seattle Districts' Regional permit conditions, the following State General Section 401 Water Quality Certification (Section 401) conditions apply to all Nationwide Permits whether **certified** or **partially certified** in the State of Washington.

- 1. For in-water construction activities. Ecology Section 401 review is required for projects or activities authorized under NWPs that will cause, or may be likely to cause or contribute to an exceedance of a State water quality standard (Chapter 173-201A WAC) or sediment management standard (Chapter 173-204 WAC). State water quality standards and sediment management standards are available on Ecology's website. Note: In-water activities include any activity within a wetland and/or activities below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM).
- 2. **Projects or Activities Discharging to Impaired Waters**. Ecology Section 401 review is required for projects or activities authorized under NWPs if the project or activity will occur in a 303(d) listed segment of a waterbody or upstream of a listed segment and may result in further exceedances of the specific listed parameter. To determine if your project or activity is in a 303(d) listed segment of a waterbody, visit Ecology's Water Quality Assessment webpage for maps and search tools.
- 3. Application. For projects or activities that will require Ecology Section 401 review, applicants must provide Ecology with a Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) along with the documentation provided to the Corps, as described in National General Condition 32, Pre-Construction Notification, including, when applicable: (a) A description of the project, including site plans, project purpose, direct and indirect adverse environmental effects the project would cause, best management practices (BMPs), and any other Department of the Army or federal agency permits used or intended to be used to authorize any part of the proposed project or any related activity. (b) Drawings indicating the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM), delineation of special aquatic sites and other waters of the state. Wetland delineations must be prepared in accordance with the current method required by the Corps and shall include Ecology's Wetland Rating form. Wetland rating forms are subject to review and verification by Ecology staff. Guidance for determining the OHWM is available on Ecology's website. (c) A statement describing how the mitigation requirement will be satisfied. A conceptual or detailed mitigation or restoration plan may be submitted. See State General Condition 5 for details on mitigation requirements. (d) Other applicable requirements of Corps Nationwide Permit General Condition 32. Corps Regional Conditions, or notification conditions of the applicable NWP. (e) Within 180 calendar days from receipt of applicable documents noted above and a copy of the final authorization letter from the Corps providing coverage for a proposed project or activity under the NWP Program Ecology will provide the applicant notice of whether an individual Section 401 will be required for the project. If Ecology fails to act within a year after receipt of both of these documents, Section 401 is presumed waived.
- 4. Aquatic resources requiring special protection. Certain aquatic resources are unique, difficult-to-replace components of the aquatic environment in Washington State. Activities that would affect these resources must be avoided to the greatest extent possible. Compensating for adverse impacts to high value aquatic resources is typically difficult, prohibitively expensive, and may not be possible in some landscape settings. Ecology Section 401 review is required for activities in or affecting the following aquatic resources (and not prohibited by Seattle District Regional General Condition): (a) Wetlands with special characteristics (as defined in the Washington State Wetland Rating Systems for western and eastern Washington, Ecology Publications #14-06-029 and #14-06-030):
  - · Estuarine wetlands.
  - · Wetlands of High Conservation Value.
  - · Bogs.
  - Old-growth and mature forested wetlands.
  - Wetlands in coastal lagoons.
  - Interdunal wetlands.

- · Vernal pools.
- · Alkali wetlands.
- (b) Fens, aspen-dominated wetlands, camas prairie wetlands. (c) Marine water with eelgrass (Zostera marina) beds (except for NWP 48). (d) Category I wetlands. (e) Category II wetlands with a habitat score ≥ 8 points. This State General Condition does not apply to the following Nationwide Permits: NWP 20 − Response Operations for Oil and Hazardous Substances, NWP 32 − Completed Enforcement Actions
- 5. Mitigation. Applicants are required to show that they have followed the mitigation sequence and have first avoided and minimized impacts to aquatic resources wherever practicable. For projects requiring Ecology Section 401 review with unavoidable impacts to aquatics resources, adequate compensatory mitigation must be provided.

(a) Wetland mitigation plans submitted for Ecology review and approval shall be based on the most current guidance provided in Wetland Mitigation in Washington State, Parts 1 and 2 (available on Ecology's website) and shall, at a minimum, include the following:

i. A description of the measures taken to avoid and minimize impacts to wetlands and other waters of the U.S.

ii. The nature of the proposed impacts (i.e., acreage of wetlands and functions lost or degraded).

iii. The rationale for the mitigation site that was selected.

iv. The goals and objectives of the compensatory mitigation project.

v. How the mitigation project will be accomplished, including construction sequencing, best management practices to protect water quality, proposed performance standards for measuring success and the proposed buffer widths.

vi. How it will be maintained and monitored to assess progress towards goals and objectives. Monitoring will generally be required for a minimum of five years. For forested and scrub-shrub wetlands, 10 years of monitoring will often be necessary.

vii. How the compensatory mitigation site will be legally protected for the long term. Refer to Wetland Mitigation in Washington State – Part 2: Developing Mitigation Plans (Ecology Publication #06-06-011b) and Selecting Wetland Mitigation Sites Using a Watershed Approach (Ecology Publications #09-06-032 (Western Washington) and #10-06-007 (Eastern Washington)) for guidance on selecting suitable mitigation sites and developing mitigation plans. Ecology encourages the use of alternative mitigation approaches, including credit/debit methodology, advance mitigation, and other programmatic approach such as mitigation banks and in-lieu fee programs. If you are interested in proposing use of an alternative mitigation approach, consult with the appropriate Ecology regional staff person. Information on alternative mitigation approaches is available on Ecology's website.

(b) Mitigation for other aquatic resource impacts will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

- **6. Temporary Fills.** Ecology Section 401 review is required for any project or activity with temporary fill in wetlands or other waters of the state for more than 90 days, unless the applicant has received written approval from Ecology. Note: This State General Condition does not apply to projects or activities authorized under NWP 33, *Temporary Construction, Access, and Dewatering*
- 7. Stormwater pollution prevention: All projects that involve land disturbance or impervious surfaces must implement stormwater pollution prevention or control measures to avoid discharge of pollutants in stormwater runoff to waters of the State.

(a) For land disturbances during construction, the applicant must obtain and implement permits (e.g., Construction Stormwater General Permit) where required and follow Ecology's current stormwater manual.

(b) Following construction, prevention or treatment of on-going stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces shall be provided.

Ecology's Stormwater Management and Design Manuals and stormwater permit information are available on Ecology's website.

8. State Section 401 Review for PCNs not receiving 45-day response from the Seattle District. In the event the Seattle District Corps does not issue a NWP authorization letter within 45 calendar days of receipt of a complete pre-construction notification, the applicant must contact Ecology for Section 401 review prior to commencing work.

#### F. ECOLOGY 401 CERTIFICATION: SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR THIS NWP:

Certified subject to conditions. Ecology Section 401 review is required for projects or activities authorized under this NWP if:

- 1. The project or activity impacts more than more than 1/3 acre of waters of the state.
- 2. The project includes fill related to a residential and/or commercial development.
- 3. The project or activity is in or adjoining a known contaminated or cleanup site.

## G. COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT CONSISTENCY RESPONSE FOR THIS NWP: (Note: This is only applies in the following counties: Clallam, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum and Whatcom)

Response: Ecology concurs that this NWP is consistent with the CZMP, subject to the following condition: An individual Coastal Zone Management Consistency Determination is required for project or activities under this NWP if State Section 401 review is required.

### General Conditions: For Non-Federal Permittees

- 1. Necessary Data and Information. A Coastal Zone Management Program "Certification of Consistency" form is required for projects located within a coastal county. "Certification of Consistency" forms are available on Ecology's website. The form shall include a description of the proposed project or activity and evidence of compliance with the applicable enforceable policies of the Washington Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP). Also, a map of the site location is required.
- 2. Timing. Within 6 months from receipt of the necessary data and information, Ecology will provide a federal consistency determination for the proposed project or activity. If Ecology fails to act within the 6 month period, concurrence with the CZMP is presumed.

### General Conditions: For Federal Permittees (Agencies)

- 1. Necessary Data and Information. Federal agencies shall submit the determination, information, and analysis required by 15 CFR 930.39 to obtain a federal consistency determination.
- 2. Timing. Within 60 days from receipt of the necessary data and information, Ecology will provide a federal consistency determination for the proposed project or activity. If Ecology fails to act within the 60 day period, concurrence with the CZMP is presumed.

### LEWIS COUNTY – STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT THRESHOLD DETERMINATION DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

**LEAD AGENCY:** Lewis County – Community Development Department

**PROPONENT:** Lewis County – Public Works Department (Ann Weckback)

FILE NUMBERS: SEP18-0042

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:** Realignment of a portion of North Fork Road from Milepost (MP) 2.70 to MP 4.05. The proposal includes improvements to the horizontal/vertical alignment, widening and reconstruction of the roadway base, overlay of the roadway with hot mix asphalt, replacement and/or extension of roadway cross culverts, the installation of a bio-detention swale, and the installation/upgrade of traffic control devices such as flexible guideposts, recessed pavement markers and signage.

**LOCATION OF PROPOSAL:** The project is located on North Fork Road between MP 2.70 and MP 4.05, south of the city of Chehalis in Lewis County, Washington – Sections 09, 10 & 16, Township 13 N, Range 01 W, WM.

#### THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable, significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is NOT required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review by Lewis County of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with this agency and such information is adopted herein by reference. This information is available for public review upon request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. Written comments may be submitted during the 14 day period.

Responsible Official:

Lee Napier, Director

Lewis County Community Development

2025 NE Kresky Avenue Chehalis, Washington 98532

**Contact Person:** 

**Karen Witherspoon, Senior Project Planner** 

for Responsible Official

Date of Issue:

**December 4, 2018** 

This SEPA determination may be appealed in writing to the Lewis County Hearings Examiner until 4 pm on **December 26, 2018** at the Lewis County Community Development Permit Center. Appellants should be prepared to make **specific factual objections**. The appeal procedure is established in Lewis County Code (LCC) Section 17.110.130 and LCC Section 2.25.130. The administrative appeal fee is established by Resolution No. 18-134 of the Board of County Commissioners.

### **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT**

Lewis County Community Development 2025 NE Kresky Avenue Chehalis, WA 98532 360-740-1133 – Inspection line

360-740-1146 – Office

www.lewiscountywa.gov - web site

PERMIT NO.: G18-00067

TYPE: GRADING
SUB: FILL/GRADE

ISSUED: 03/13/2019

AUTHORIZED/ISSUED BY:

Stewart

### Authorization to perform the following work and/or development, consistent with the approved plans and documents submitted in the application

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: REALIGNMENT OF PORTION OF NORTH FORK ROAD - 47,192 CUBIC YARDS FILL & GRADE

Cubic Yards Fill: 37,196

Cubic Yards Cut/Grade: 9,996 Total Cubic Yards: 47192

ASSOCIATED PERMITS: SEP18-0042

SITE LOCATION 638 NORTH FORK RD, CHEHALIS

Tax Parcel No: 017005001000

Legal Description: Section 16 Township 13N Range 01W PT SW NE W 150' N 500' & Pt NE SE NW Ely 11.98' NIy 500

### Is granted to:

APPLICANT:
LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
2025 NE KRESKY AVENUE
CHEHALIS, WA 98532
CONTRACTOR:
LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS
2025 NE KRESKY AVENUE
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

OWNER: LEWIS COUNTY 2025 NE KRESKY AVENUE CHEHALIS, WA 98532

### Requirements for Final Inspection:

This permit is issued on the express condition that the above-described work shall conform in all respects to all statements and documents submitted in the application herefore, and shall conform to any specific requirements of any other associated permit issued by the County. It shall be the responsibility of the permit holder to verify if any other local, state and/or federal permit or approval is required for the performance of the above-described work.

It is the responsibility of the permit holder (applicant) to cause the required inspections to be made. The County or any official or employee thereof shall not be liable for any direct or consequential damages whatsoever resulting from a failure of the permit holder (applicant) to secure the required inspections and comply with any correction notice issued. Any deviation from the work described in this permit, the application therefor or any supporting document shall be cause for the County to require a subsequent review and approval process.

By applying for this development permit, the applicant has agreed to comply with all applicable regulations of the County and all conditions of approval of this permit. Construction shall not start on any deferred submittals until such plans have been reviewed and approved by the County.

### **Conditions of Permit**

- Fill material is required to be clean earth material (rock, natural soil or a combination of both).
- This permit expires 180 days from the date of issue if no substantial progress is made.
- All work shall conform to the requirements of the Lewis County Code, 2015 International Building Code-Appendix J
  and any other applicable laws and ordinances.
- All conditions listed on the attached State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination must be met as a condition of this permit issuance.
- All development must comply with the conditions set forth in the attached Lewis County Planning Review.
- Requests for extension of this permit must be submitted in writing to the Building Official with documentation of the total amount of fill or grade, and the type of material deposited at the time of the extension request.

- It is the responsibility of the property owner and/or their contractor to ensure this structure meets the minimum setbacks (as set by Lewis County code) from all rights of way, easements and property lines. Failure to do so will invalidate this permit and may result in the requirement to remove this structure.
- All fees and fines must be paid prior to final inspection
- All associated permits to be final approved prior to or at the time of final approval of this permit.
- POST INSPECTION RECORD AND PLANS ON THE JOBSITE FOR INSPECTIONS

### **NOTICES**

AMERICANS WITH DISIBILITY ACT: This project may be subject to the architectural standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. Issuance of a County development permit does not certify or assure compliance with the Federal Statute. Copies of the guidelines and information concerning the ADA may be obtained thru the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (1-202-653-7834 [voice or TDD] or 1/800-872-2253). Failure to comply with the Federal Statute (ADA) may result in Federal fines and penalties.

**ELECTRICAL WORK:** A separate permit is required for electrical work. Contact Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L & I) Electrical Inspector at (360) 902-6350 (Tumwater) or 360-575-6900 (Longview). L & I final approval must be completed prior to occupancy or final inspection.

**INSPECTIONS:** If the permit holder fails to notify the Building Official that construction has commenced to a point that inspection is appropriate and work is covered before inspection, the Building Official is empowered to require uncovering such work to permit proper inspection. A minimum **twenty-four (24) hour notice** must be given to assure prompt inspection service. Inspections can be scheduled by calling the inspection line at 360-740-1133.

OCCUPANCY: Occupancy of any residence or structure prior to written authorization by the Lewis County Building Department is prohibited. Unauthorized occupancy will result in fines and/or penalties being assessed. Receipt of payment for any fines or penalties must be paid prior to any further inspections being scheduled.

<u>PERMIT CHANGE REQUEST:</u> Any change to the building permit or the construction plans associated with this permit after the permit has been issued will be assessed a \$50.00 change fee. This fee will be in addition to any fees calculated for the change.

<u>PERMIT EXPIRATION & REFUNDS:</u> This permit becomes null and void if work or construction is not commenced within 180 days or if construction or work is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days at any time after work is commenced. A refund may be authorized in certain instances. Please refer to the currently adopted Schedule of Fees for the payment refund policy.

SALES TAX - NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: For all projects in unincorporated Lewis County, please report sales tax to CODE 2100. Projects in the City limits should be reported to the designated City codes. If you have questions call the Lewis County Treasurer's Office at 360-740-1116 or toll free (within Lewis County) at 1-800-562-6130 ext. 1116. SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL: Lewis County Code (LCC) prohibits any person from disposing of solid waste generated or collected within Lewis County in a manner inconsistent with the process described throughout LCC 8.15. This county code requires that all solid waste collected or generated within Lewis County, unless source separated recycling, must be disposed of at a Lewis County owned, operated and permitted facility. The staff of the Solid Waste Division is available to assist and advise on proper disposal methods by calling 360 740 1451 or 1 800 749 5980.

<u>SPECIAL TAX PROGRAMS</u>: If your parcel is in a special tax program such as Open Space Farm and Agriculture Land, Open Space Timber, or Designated Forest Land, you must personally advise the Assessor's Office of any change in use of the land. Consideration of special tax programs is NOT part of the permitting process and may involve considerable additional expense. You may reach the Assessor's Office at (360) 740-1392.

## LEWIS COUNTY PERMIT INSPECTION RECORD

Applicant: LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

Owner: LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS Contractor: LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

- Call (360) 740-1133 to request inspection at least 24 hours in advance
- Address numbers need to be posted at the driveway entrance prior to any inspection requests. Minimum 6" Characters with 3/4" brush stroke.
- CALL ONLY WHEN READY FOR INSPECTIONS
- Inspection record and plans must be posted and kept dry on the jobsite.

<u>EXPIRATION</u> – Permit expires within 180 days of issuance or last inspection. It is the applicant and/or their contractor's responsibility to call for inspections at the appropriate stages of permitted project.

<u>SETBACKS</u> – It is the responsibility of the property owner and/or their contractor to ensure this structure meets the minimum setbacks (as set by Lewis County Code) from all right-of-ways, easements and property lines. Failure to do so will invalidate this permit and may result in the requirement to remove this structure.

Requirements for Final Inspection:

PERMIT NO: G18-00067

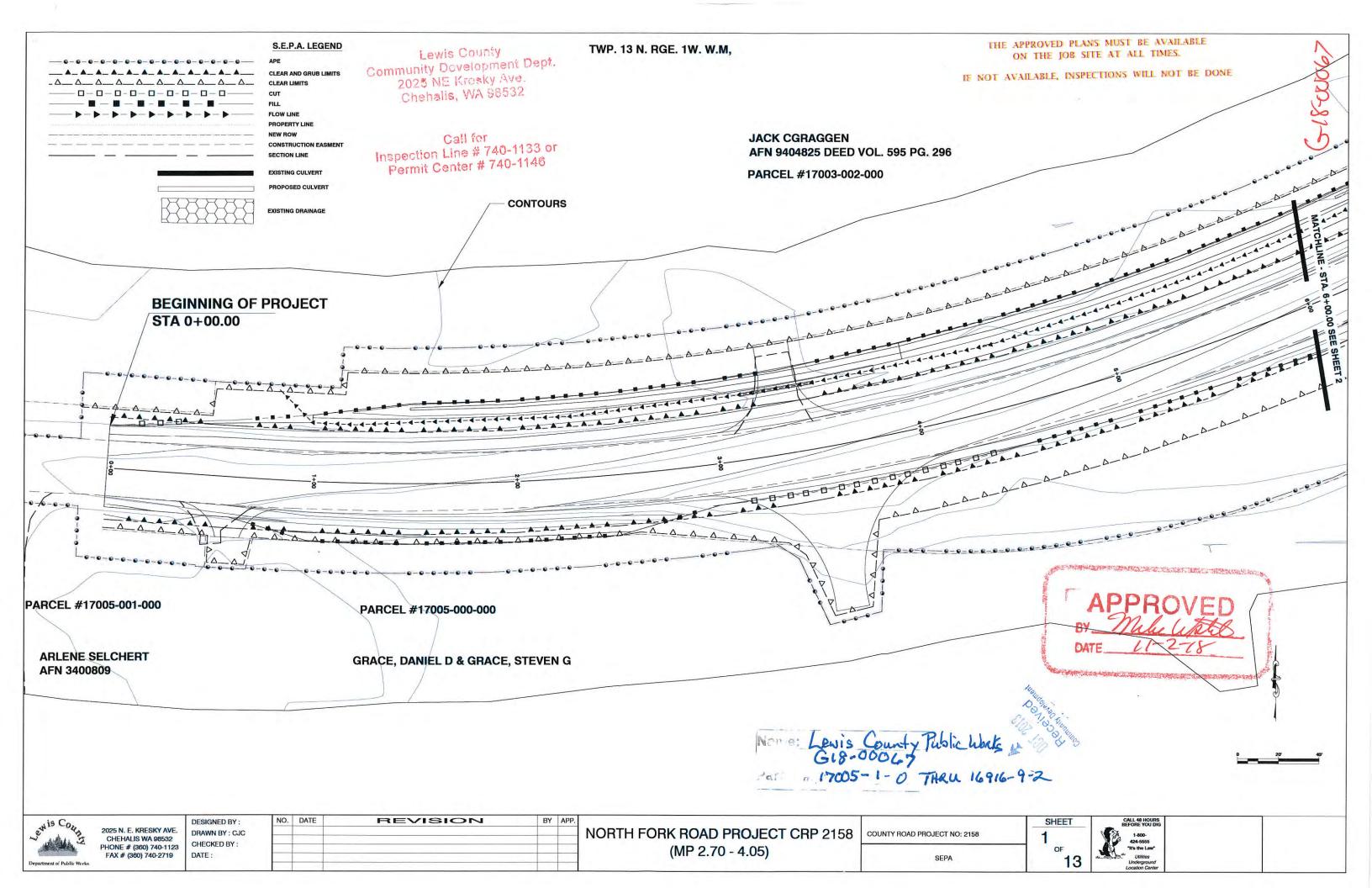
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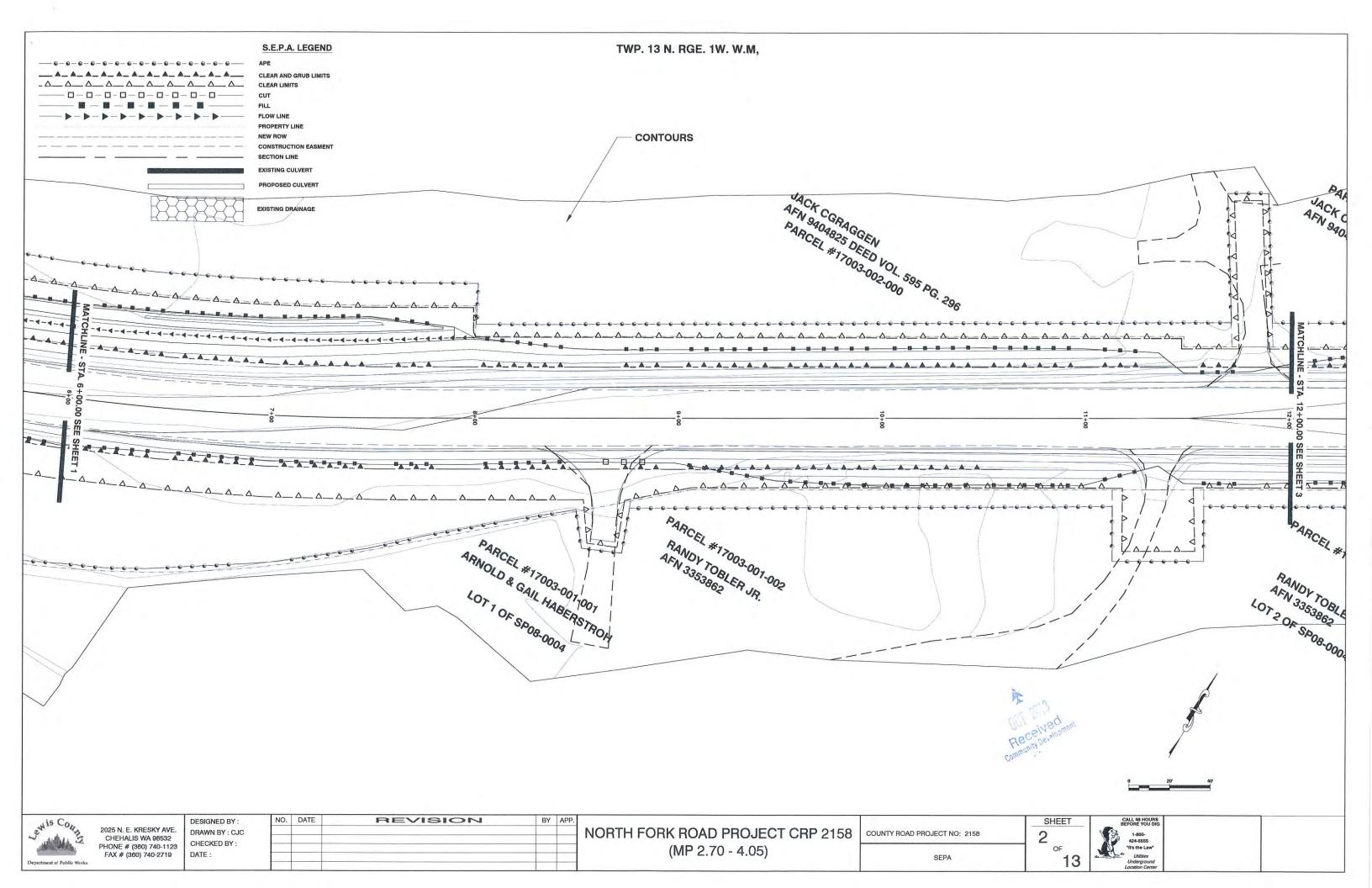
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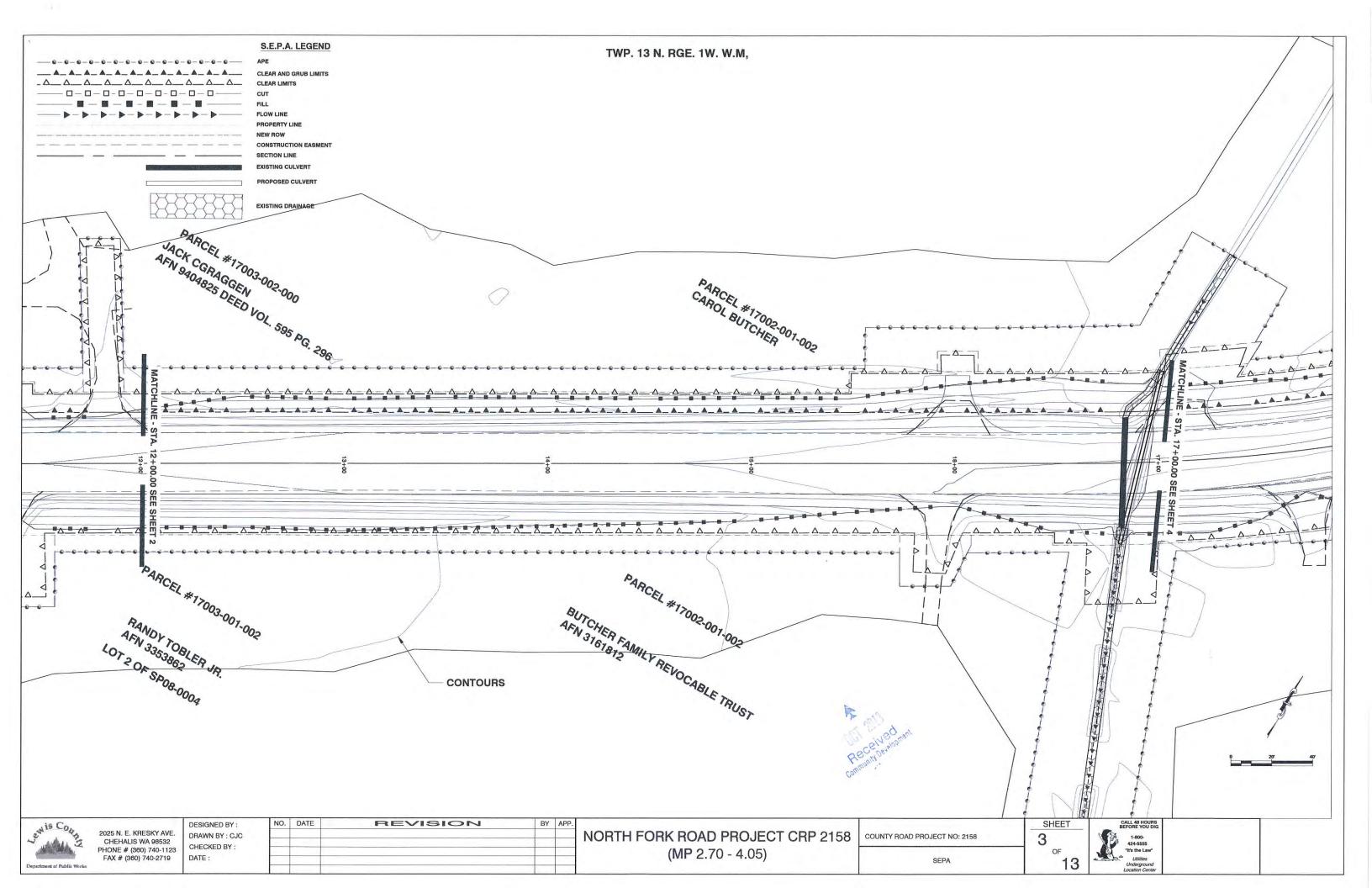
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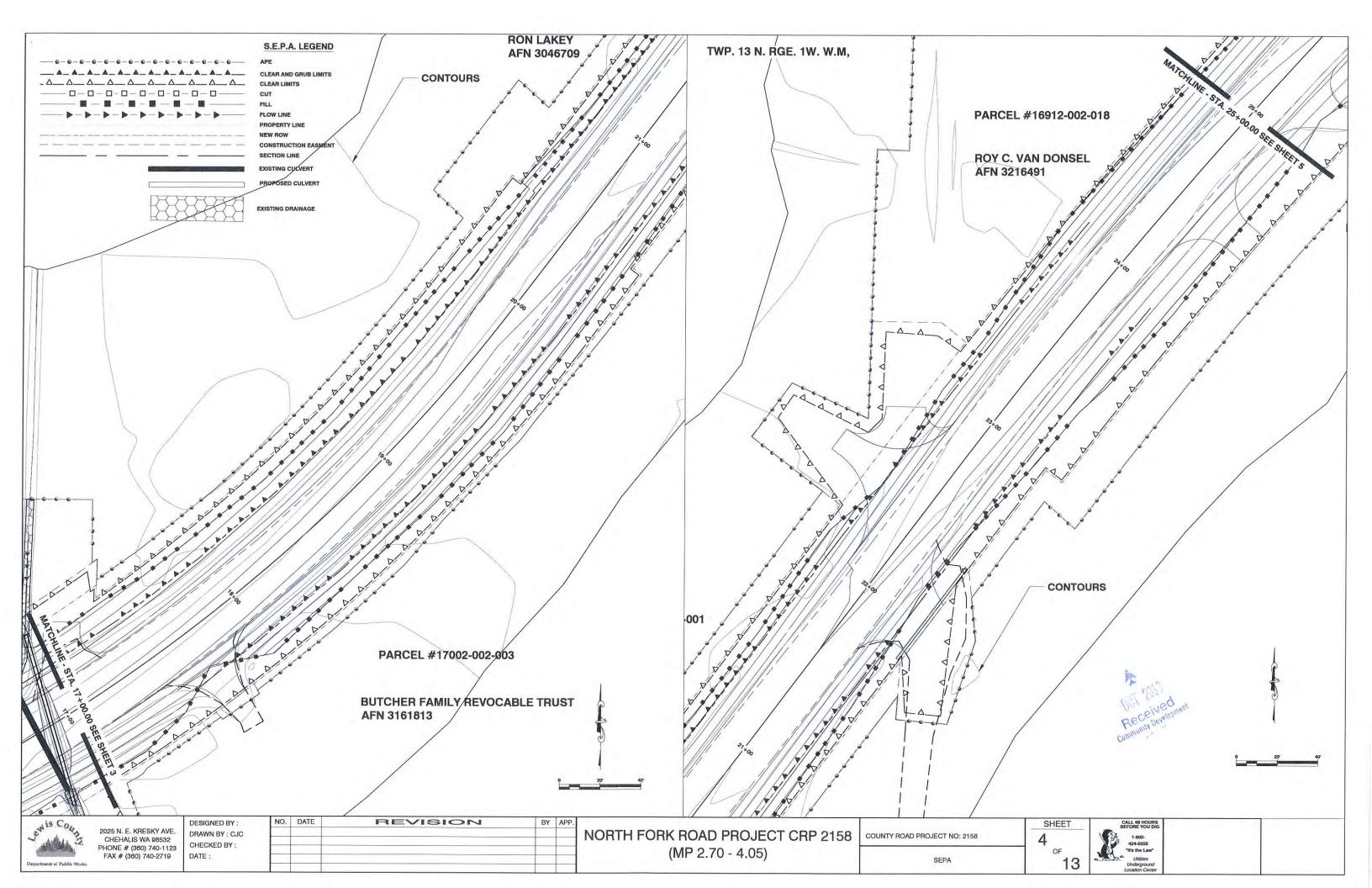
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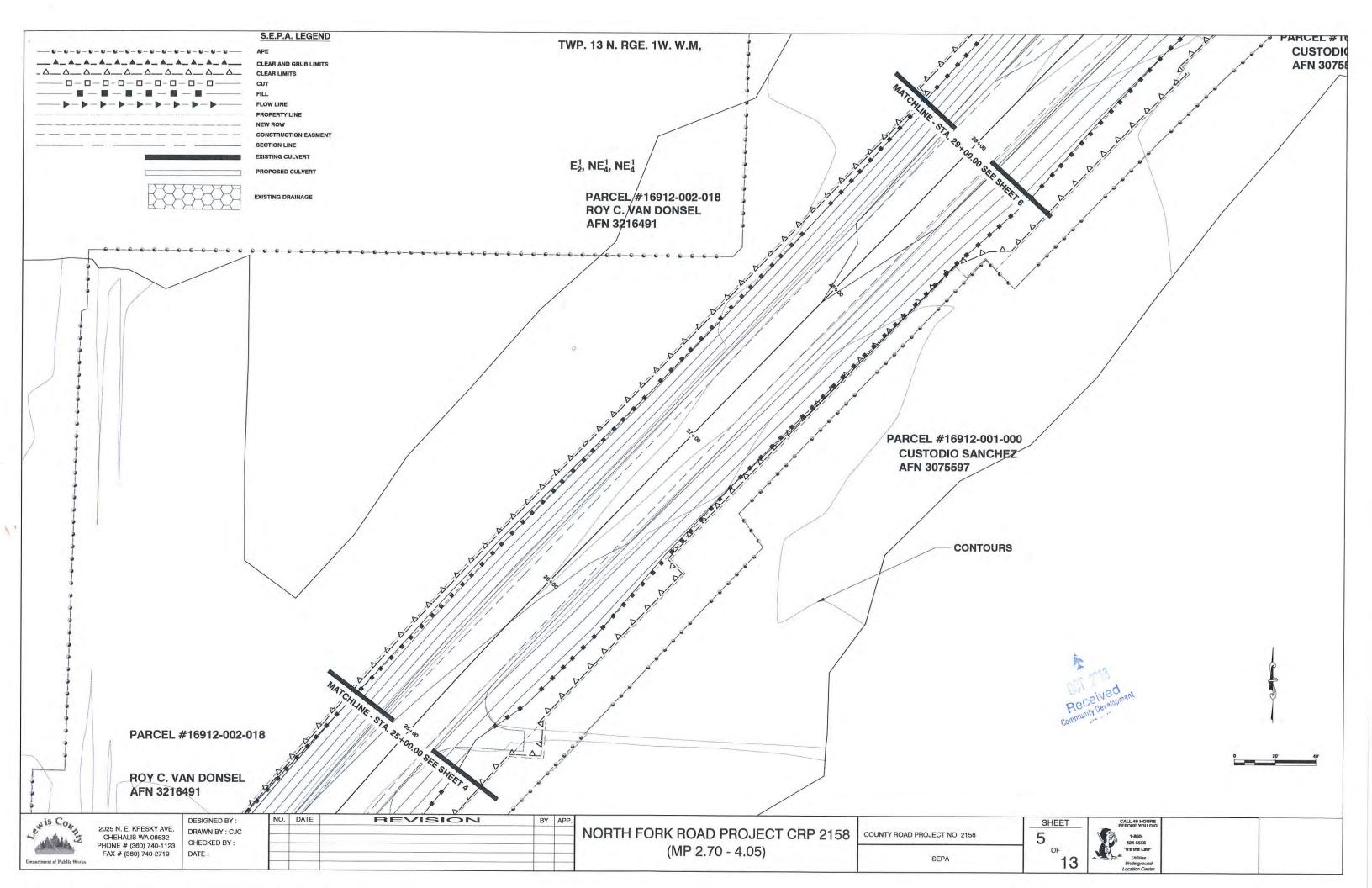
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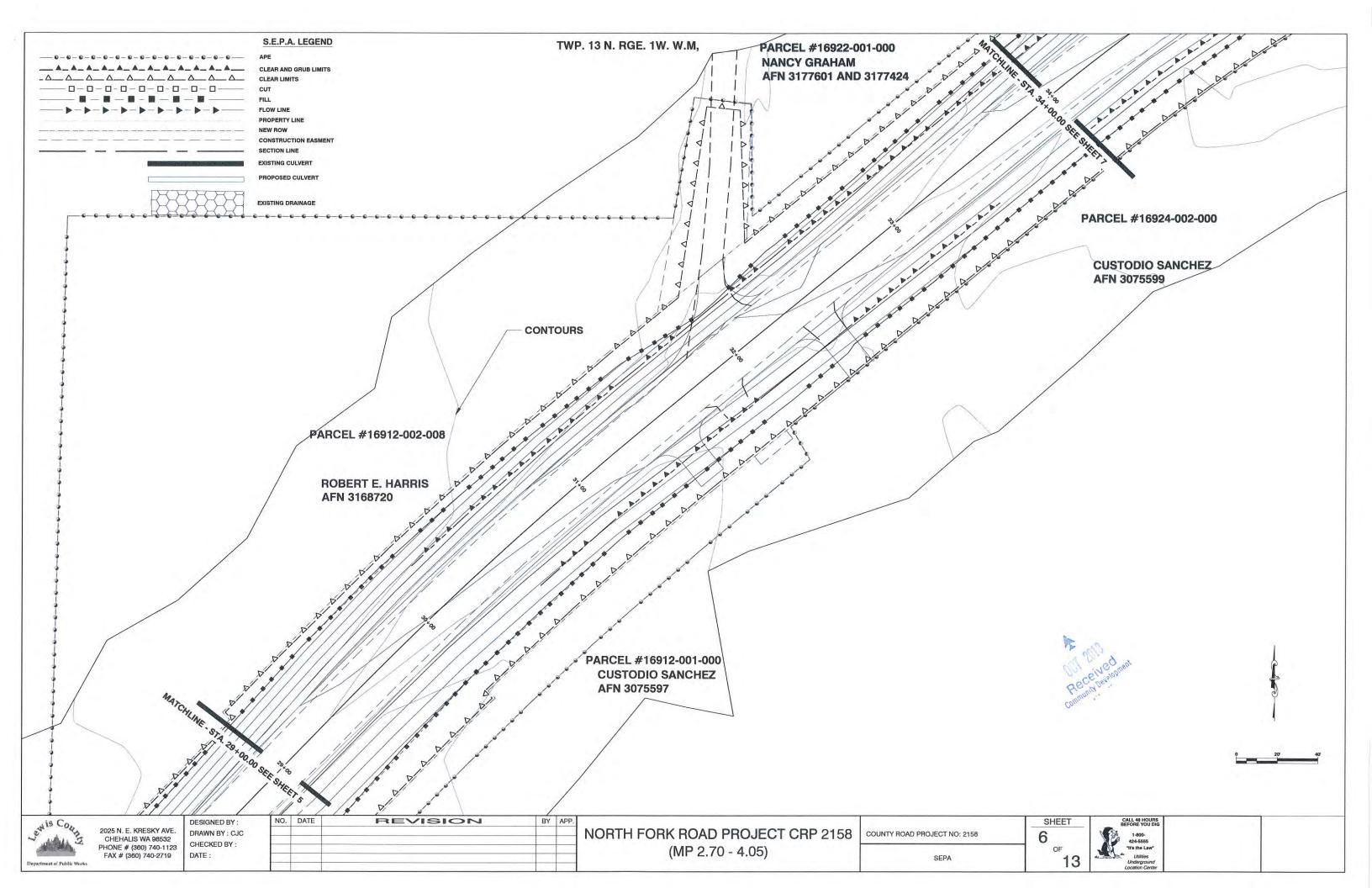


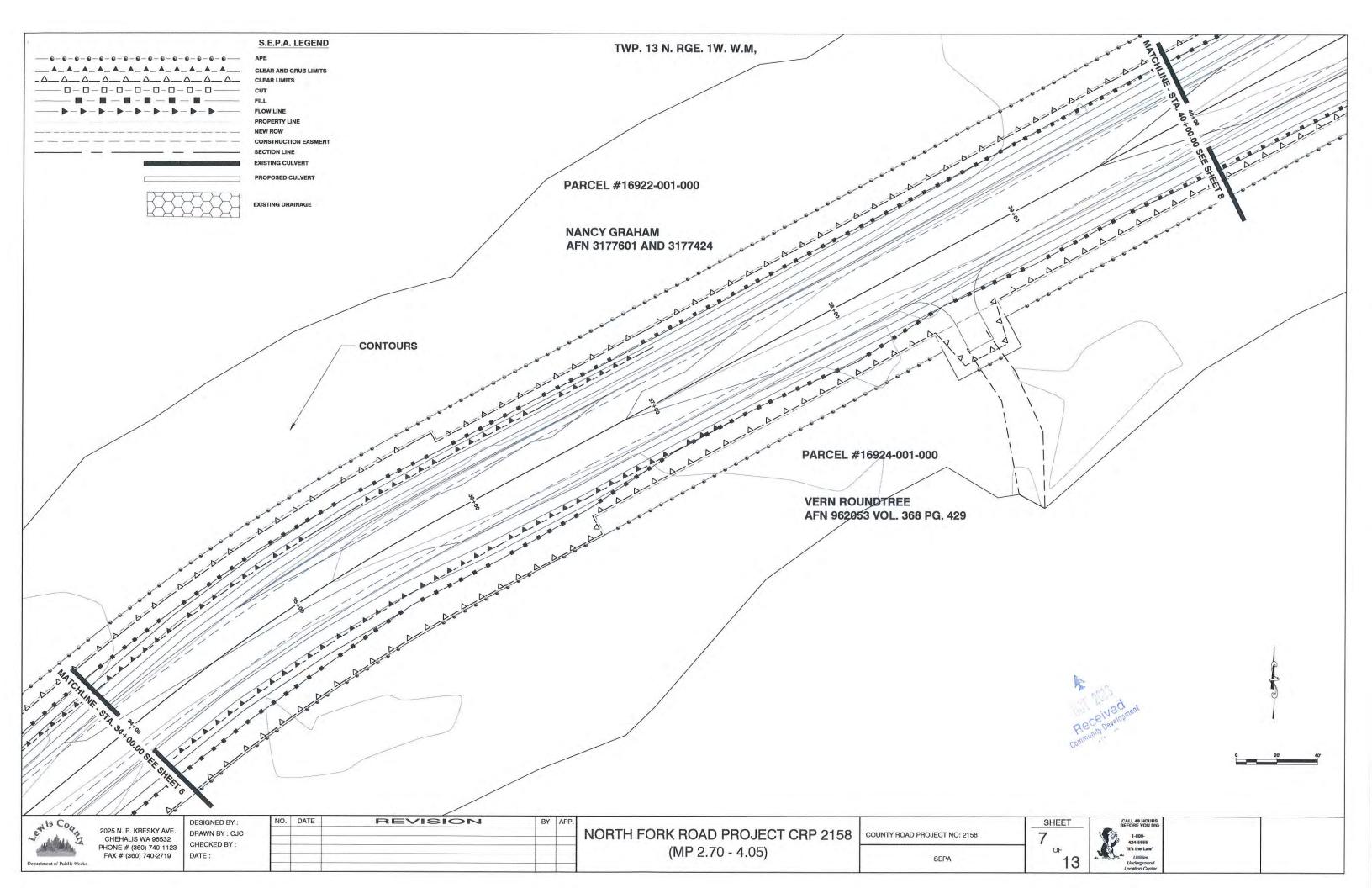


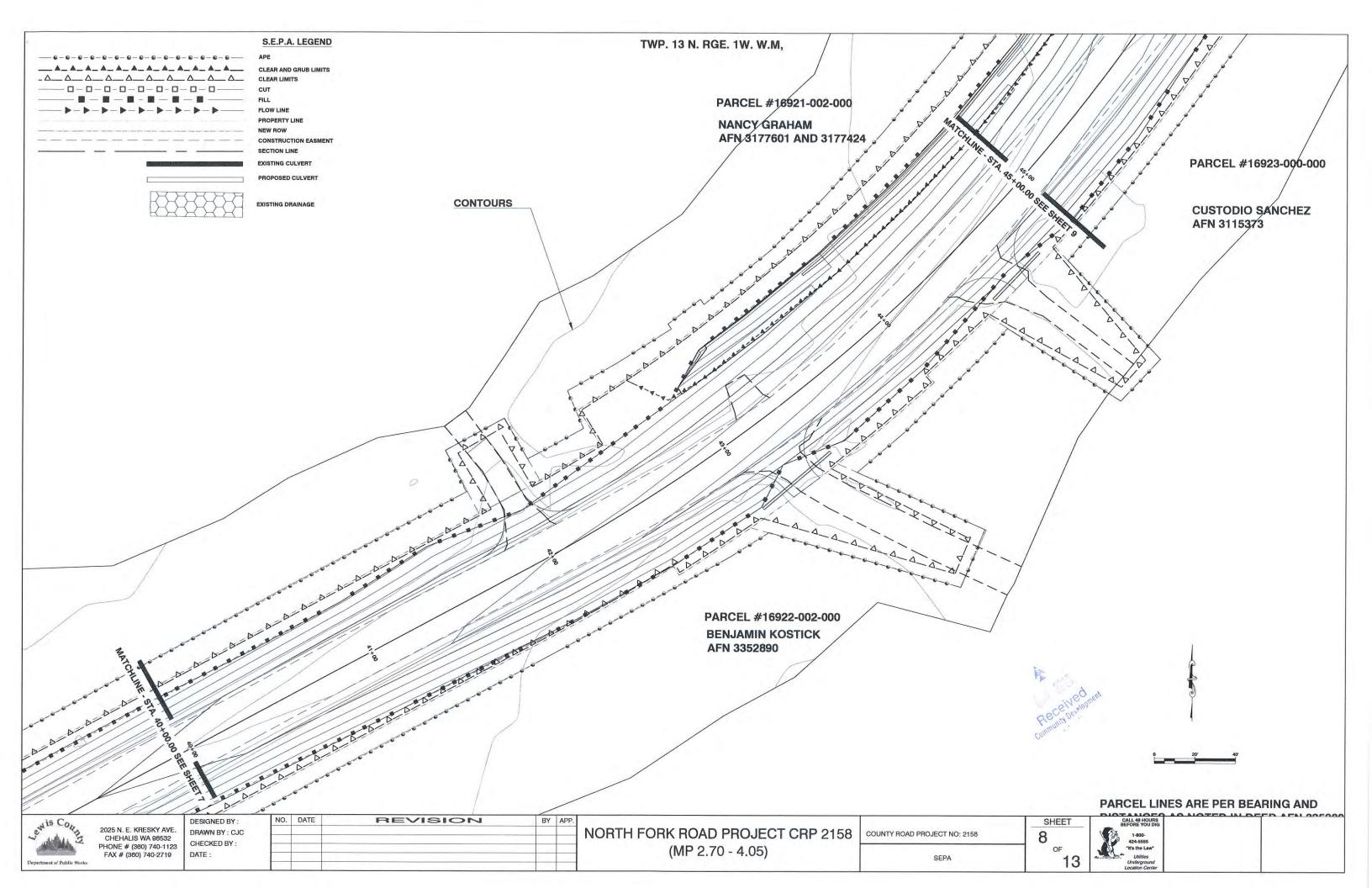


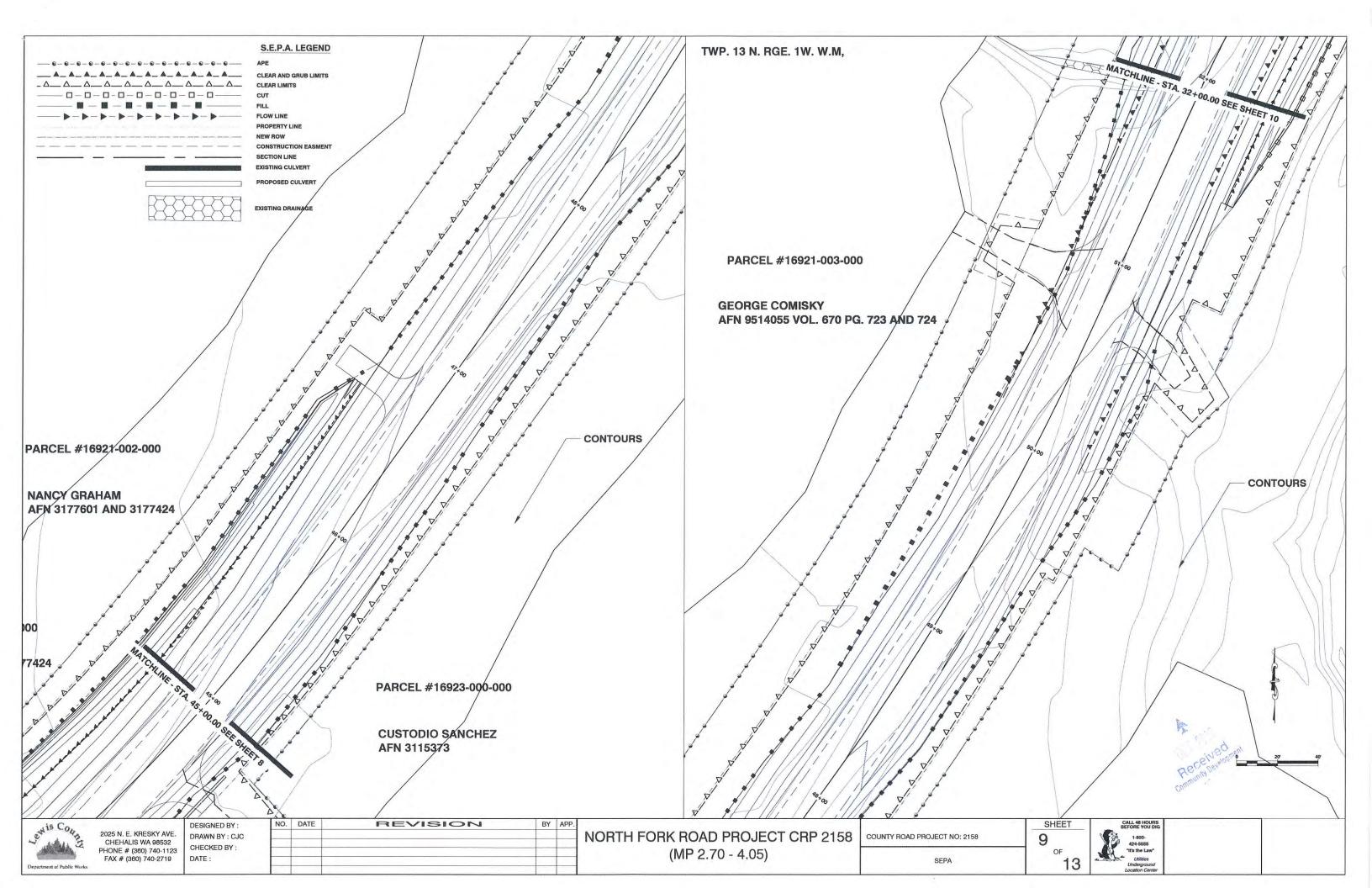


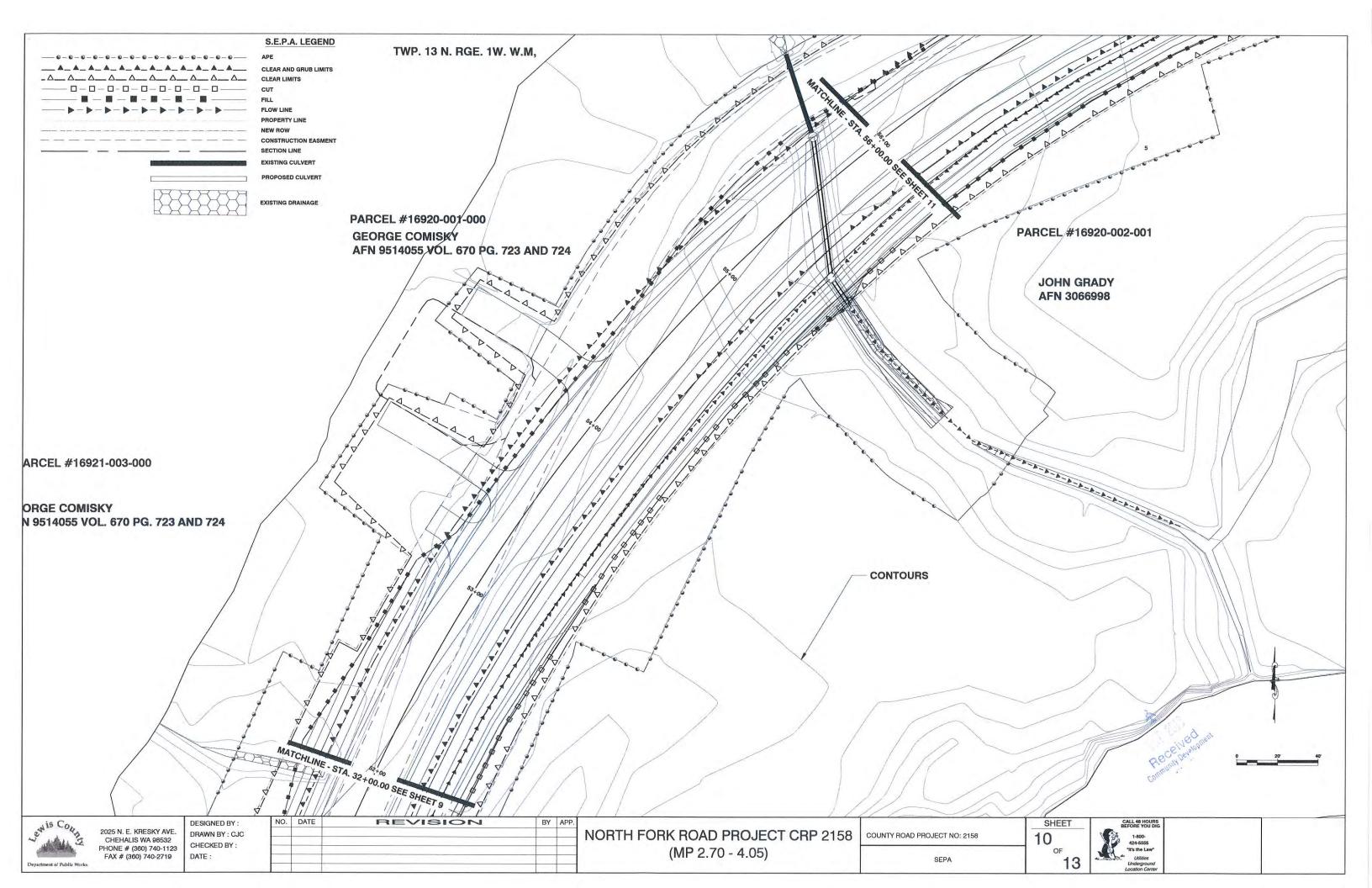


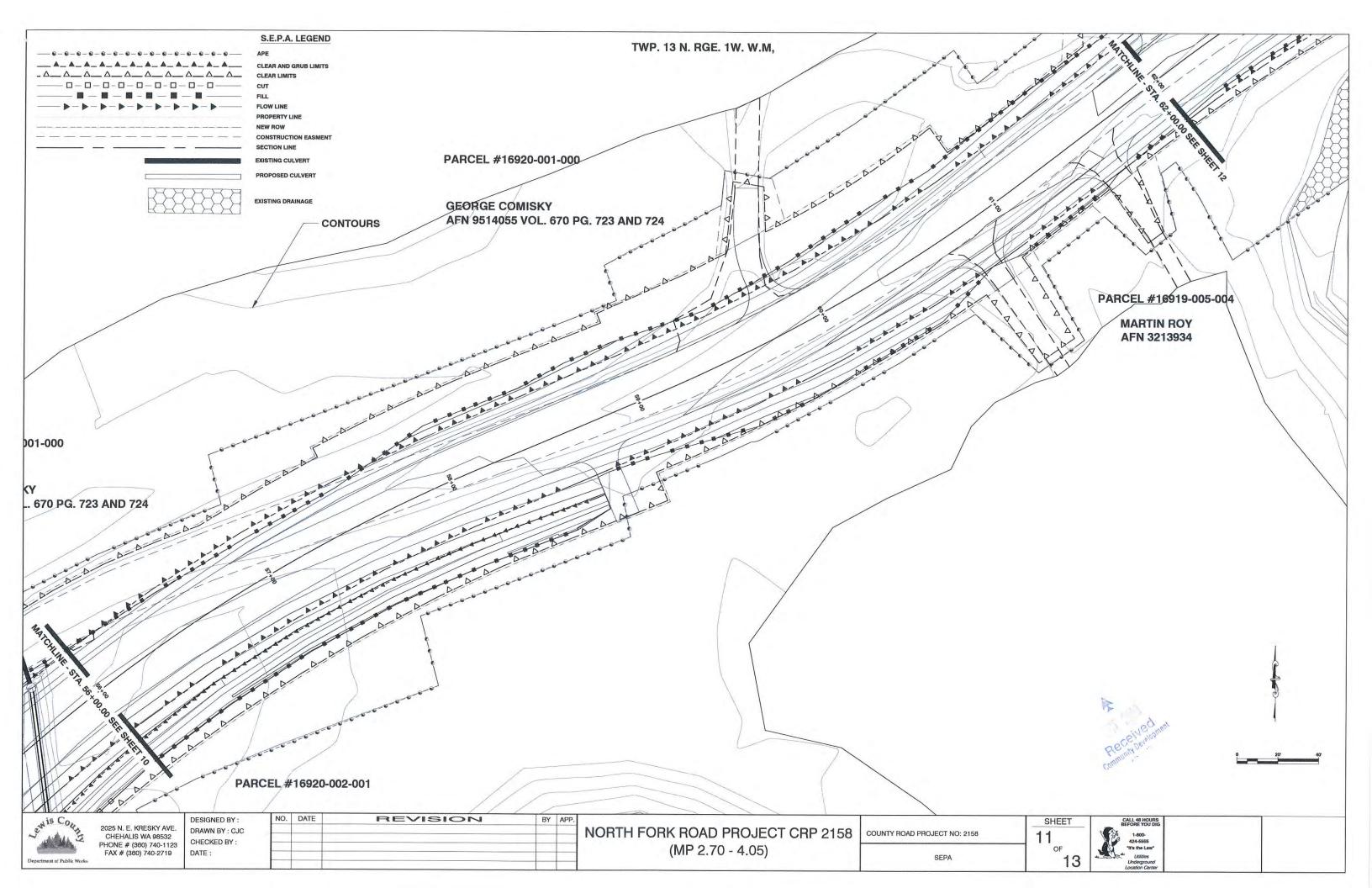


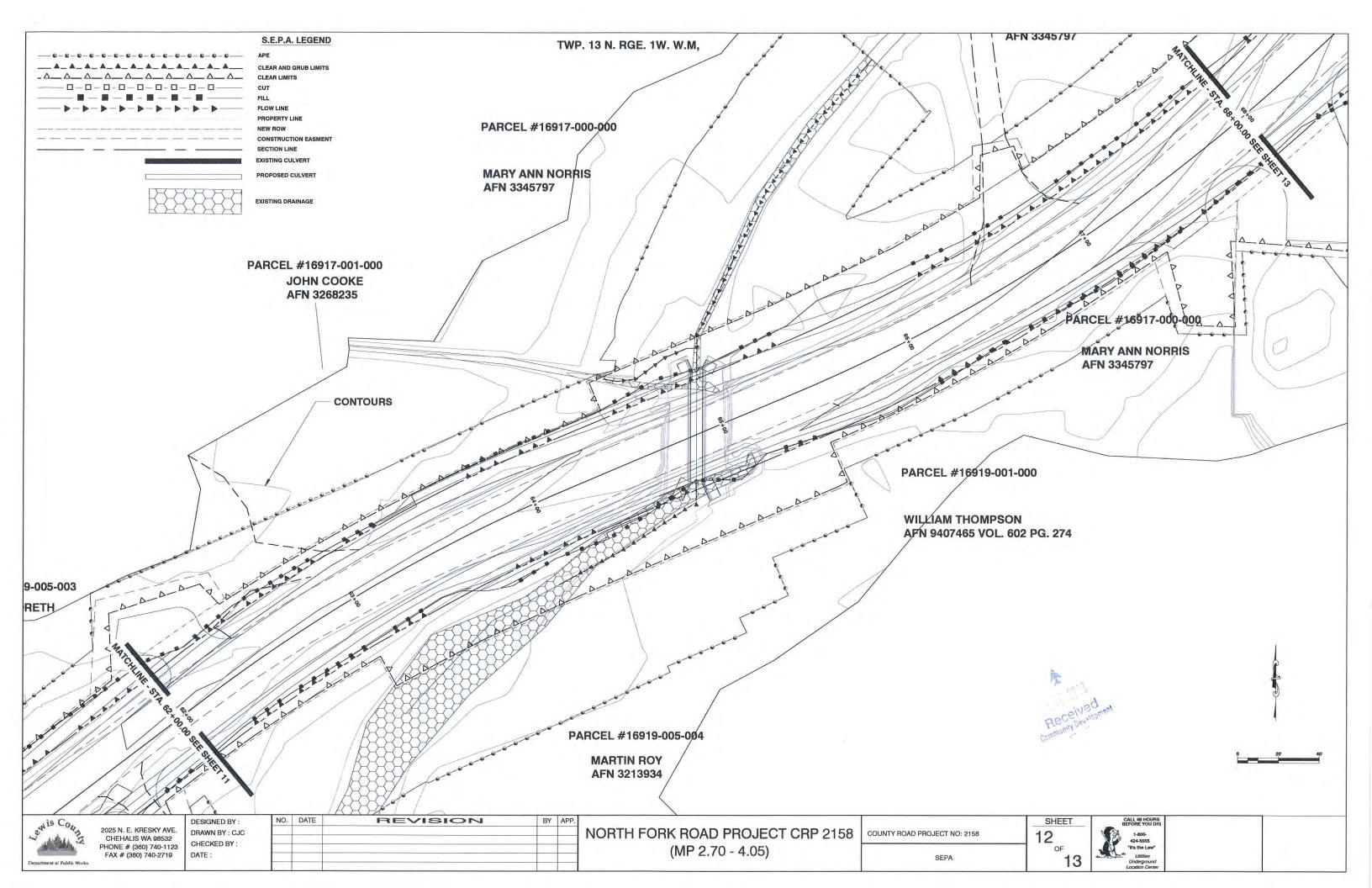












### **Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP)**

# Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)

for

### North Fork Road Realignment - CRP 2158

Prepared for:

### Department of Ecology Southwest Regional Office

Permittee / Owner	Developer	Operator / Contractor
Josh Metcalf	N/A	TBD

### **Project Site Location**

North Fork Rd Milepost (MP) 2.70 to 4.05, Chehalis, Lewis County, WA

### **Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead (CESCL)**

Name	Organization	Contact Phone Number
Joe Byers	Lewis County Public Works	360-520-4144

### **SWPPP Prepared By**

Name	Organization	Contact Phone Number
Ann Weckback	Lewis County Public Works	360-740-1440

### **SWPPP Preparation Date**

09/27/2018

### **Project Construction Dates**

Activity / Phase	Start Date	End Date
Construction	05/01/2019	10/30/2019

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### **List of Acronyms and Abbreviations**

**Acronym / Abbreviation Explanation** 303(d) Section of the Clean Water Act pertaining to Impaired Waterbodies **BFO** Bellingham Field Office of the Department of Ecology BMP(s) Best Management Practice(s) **CESCL** Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon Dioxide **CRO** Central Regional Office of the Department of Ecology **CSWGP** Construction Stormwater General Permit **CWA** Clean Water Act **DMR** Discharge Monitoring Report DO Dissolved Oxygen **Ecology** Washington State Department of Ecology **EPA** United States Environmental Protection Agency **ERO** Eastern Regional Office of the Department of Ecology **ERTS Environmental Report Tracking System ESC Erosion and Sediment Control GULD** General Use Level Designation **NPDES** National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Units **NWRO** Northwest Regional Office of the Department of Ecology Power of Hydrogen Ha **RCW** Revised Code of Washington SPCC Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Standard Units su **SWMMEW** Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington

SWMMEW Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington
SWMMWW Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington

SWPPP Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

TESC Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control

SWRO Southwest Regional Office of the Department of Ecology

**TMDL** Total Maximum Daily Load

**VFO** Vancouver Field Office of the Department of Ecology

WAC Washington Administrative Code

WSDOT Washington Department of Transportation
WWHM Western Washington Hydrology Model

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# 1.0 Project Information

Project/Site Name: North Fork Road Realignment - CRP 2158

Street/Location: North Fork Road MP 2.70-4.05

City: Chehalis State: WA Zip code: 98532

Subdivision: N/A

Receiving waterbody: North Fork Newaukum River via two unnamed non-fishbearing tributaries

and an upland drainage ditch

### 1.1 Existing Conditions

Total acreage (including support activities such as off-site equipment staging yards, material storage areas, borrow areas).

Total acreage: 30.12 acres

Disturbed acreage: 6.73 acres

Existing structures: N/A

Landscape topography: Topography is level to somewhat rolling with a gentle southwesterly slope. Depressional landscape positions and streamside areas are generally concave with very little slope.

Drainage patterns: Currently, the majority of runoff in the project area sheetflows into adjacent properties though some enters roadway drainage ditches and swales which convey water to unnamed tributaries to the North Fork Newaukum River.

Existing Vegetation: Vegetation within the project area consists primarily of ryegrass, foxtail, orchard grass, and reed canarygrass, with scattered patches of Queen Anne's Lace, Himalayan blackberry, and lamp rush. There is a stand of fir trees from MP 3.30 to 3.45.

Critical Areas (wetlands, streams, high erosion risk, steep or difficult to stabilize slopes): A total of three wetlands were identified and delineated in or adjacent to the project area. Wetland B is adjacent to MP 3.69, Wetland C is adjacent to MP 3.76, and Wetland A is adjacent to MP 3.94. There are two unnamed non-fishbearing streams within the project area. Stream B crosses under the road at MP 3.76 and Stream A crosses under the road at MP 3.94. Both streams are tributaries to the North Fork Newaukum River.

List of known impairments for 303(d) listed or Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the receiving waterbody: N/A

Table 1 includes a list of suspected and/or known contaminants associated with the construction activity.

Table 1 – Summary of Site Pollutant Constituents

Constituent (Pollutant)	Location	Depth	Concentration
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

There are no known contaminants within the project area.

# 1.2 Proposed Construction Activities

Description of site development (example: subdivision):

The project will include improvements to the horizontal/vertical alignment, widening and reconstruction of the roadway base, overlay of the roadway with hot mix asphalt, replacement and/or extension of roadway cross culverts, the installation of a bio-detention swale, and the installation/upgrade of traffic control devices such as flexible guideposts, recessed pavement markers and signage.

Description of construction activities (example: site preparation, demolition, excavation): Prior to construction staging areas will be identified by Lewis County for storage or equipment and materials. The staging area will be established at least 50 feet from the ordinary high water (OHW) line of any wetland or waterbody. Staging areas will be established in previously cleared areas. Refueling and storage of hazardous material will be limited to areas at least 150-ft away from any waterbody.

Lewis County is proposing to build the road grades at slightly higher elevations that the existing North Fork Road. Consequently, project excavation outside of the roadway prism will not be necessary along the majority of the route. The existing roadway surface, however, will be partially planed down 6 to 12 inches and replace with new engineered material. Road shoulders will be widened and fill slopes flattened. Adjacent properties will be slope-filled with new fill material. Some clearing and grubbing may occur to a depth of 6 inches. There are three culverts within the project area that will be replaced.

Construction equipment proposed to be used in the completion of the project includes the following: excavators, backhoes, bulldozers, dump trucks, grinder, grader, roller, compactor, water truck, generators, pumps, and small tools.

As described above currently, the majority of runoff in the project area sheetflows into adjacent properties though some enters roadway drainage ditches and swales which convey water to unnamed tributaries to the North Fork Newaukum River. The proposed project will retrofit the existing stormwater conveyance channels to meet stormwater design guidelines. All stormwater from new and existing impervious surfaces associated with roadway reconstruction will be collected via compost amended filter strips (CAFS) or catchbasins. It is anticipated was will be filtered onsite and then either infiltrate into the ground or be conveyed to the North Fork Newaukum River through unnamed tributaries or agricultural ditches during higher than normal flows.

Description of final stabilization (example: extent of revegetation, paving, landscaping): Upon project completion, disturbed soils will be stabilized through hydroseeding.

### Contaminated Site Information:

Proposed activities regarding contaminated soils or groundwater (example: on-site treatment system, authorized sanitary sewer discharge):

N/A, There are no known contaminants within the project area.

# 2.0 Construction Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs)

### 2.1 The 12 Elements

# 2.1.1 Element 1: Preserve Vegetation / Mark Clearing Limits

### List and describe BMPs:

Preserving Natural Vegetation (BMP C101) – clear and grub limits, clearing only limits (mowing and trimming only), sensitive area and their buffers, and any trees to be preserved shall be clearly delineated on construction plans and marked in the field, with appropriate materials, before ground-disturbing activities begin. In general, natural vegetation shall be retained in an undisturbed state to the maximum extent possible.

Construction Staking, in lieu of High Visibility Plastic or Metal Fence (BMP C103) – due to ground disturbance restrictions in portions of the project, trenches cannot be dug in order to install fencing. Instead construction staking or wooden lathe shall be installed in place of fencing. Construction staking or wooden lathe shall be placed at the outermost limits of clearing/mowing/trimming activities as well as along any sensitive areas and their buffers, and any trees to be preserved.

Compost Sock, in lieu of Silt Fence (BMP 233) – due to ground disturbance restrictions in portions of the project, trenches cannot be dug in order to toe in silt fencing. Instead, compost socks shall be installed in place of fencing. Compost socks will be placed outside the boundary of the outermost limits of any proposed clearing or grubbing or fill limits in areas where stormwater has the potential to run offsite.

### **Installation Schedules:**

Preserving Natural Vegetation (BMP C101) – this BMPs will be implemented prior to staging or start of construction within an area and will continue to be implemented until final stabilization occurs.

Construction Staking, in lieu of High Visibility Plastic or Metal Fence (BMP C103) –This BMP will be installed prior to staging or start of construction within an area and will continue to be implemented until final stabilization occurs within the entire drainage area affecting the installed BMP.

Compost Sock, in lieu if Silt Fence (BMP C233) –this BMP will be installed prior to staging or start of construction within an area and will continue to be implemented until final stabilization occurs.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Preserving Natural Vegetation (BMP C101) and Construction Staking, in lieu of High Visibility Plastic or Metal Fence (BMP C103) – inspect site boundaries to ensure construction staking and/or other BMPs identifying and delineated these areas remain in place throughout construction. If the delineators have been damaged or removed in areas where active construction is not complete they shall be replaced.

Construction Staking, in lieu of High Visibility Plastic or Metal Fence (BMP C103)

Compost Sock, in lieu of Silt Fence (BMP C233) – this BMP shall be regularly inspected for damage and sediment deposits after any and all runoff events. Damage to or undercutting of the BMP shall be repaired immediately. When the depth of sediment accumulation reaches 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the height of the BMP those deposits shall be removed.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of these BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works

### 2.1.2 Element 2: Establish Construction Access

**List and describe BMPs**: Construction Road/Parking Stabilization Area (BMP C107) – roads shall be stabilized whenever they are constructed, whether permanent or temporary, for use by construction traffic. Rock will be applied immediately after grading in order to reduce erosion caused by construction traffic or runoff.

No additional BMPs are anticipated to be necessary for Element 2 as the majority of vegetation will be mowed and fill laid down from the road outward in order to avoid ground disturbance in areas adjacent to the road. Additionally, staging will occur on existing graveled surfaces.

### **Installation Schedules:**

Construction Road Parking Stabilization Area (BMP C107) – This BMP will be implemented beginning with roadway grinding and continue to be implemented until final stabilization.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Construction Road/Parking Stabilization Area (BMP C107) – Stabilized areas shall be inspected regularly, especially after large storm events. Crushed rock, gravel base, etc., shall be added as required to maintain a stable driving surface and to stabilize any areas that have been eroded. Following construction, these areas shall be restored to pre-construction condition or better to prevent future erosion. Street cleaning shall be performed if track out occurs.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of this BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Joe Byers, Project Inspector at Lewis County Public Works

### 2.1.3 Element 3: Control Flow Rates

Will you construct stormwater retention and/or detention facilities?

Yes No

Will you use permanent infiltration ponds or other low impact development (example: rain gardens, bio-retention, porous pavement) to control flow during construction?

Yes No

### List and describe BMPs:

Check Dams (BMP C207) – quarry spalls shall be used to install rock check dams perpendicular to the flow of water, within proposed roadside drainage swales. This BMPs will reduce the velocity of concentrated flows and dissipate energy as well as allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) –shall be installed as perpendicular to the flow of water in the unnamed streams and upland drainage ditch. This BMP will reduce flows and allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

Outlet Protection (BMP C209) – quarry spalls shall be installed immediately downstream of a culvert outlet to the area 6 feet downstream and extend up the channel sides a minimum of 1-foot above the maximum tailwater elevation or 1-foot above the crown, whichever is higher. Outlet protection will prevent scour at conveyance outlets and minimize the potential for downstream erosion by reducing the velocity of concentrated stormwater flows.

Compost Amended Vegetated Filter Strip (CAVFS) (BMP T7.40) – CAVFSs will be installed along the roadway embankment at various locations throughout the project area. This BMP will improve infiltration and increase surface roughness. .

### **Installation Schedules:**

Check Dams (BMP C207) - CAVFS and berms are constructed

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) – this BMP will be installed prior to construction within the unnamed streams and upland drainage ditch. This BMP will be implemented until final stabilization of the area occurs.

Outlet Protection (BMP C209) – this BMP will be installed once existing culverts are replaced and will remain in place in perpetuity.

CAVFS (BMP T7.40) – this BMP will be installed as final grades are being reached and will remain in place in perpetuity.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Check Dams (BMP C207) – This BMP shall be monitored for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches reaches 1/2 the height of the BMP.

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) – Triangular silt dikes shall be inspected for performance and sediment accumulation during and after every runoff event. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches one half the height of the BMP. Immediately repair any damage or undercutting of the BMP.

Outlet Protection (BMP C235) – This BMP shall be inspected and repaired as needed. Rock shall be added if the BMP is not serving its intended function. The BMP shall be monitored for sediment buildup and sediment shall be removed as needed.

CAVFS (BMP T7.40) – The BMP shall be regularly inspected for sediment accumulation and effectiveness after runoff events. Any CAVFS that appears to be plugged and are no longer functioning properly shall be replaced.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

### 2.1.4 Element 4: Install Sediment Controls

### List and describe BMPs:

Check Dams (BMP C207) – quarry spalls shall be used to install rock check dams perpendicular to the flow of water, within proposed roadside drainage swales. This BMPs will reduce the velocity of concentrated flows and dissipate energy as well as allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) –shall be installed as perpendicular to the flow of water in the unnamed streams and upland drainage ditch. This BMP will reduce flows and allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

Compost Sock, in lieu of Silt Fence (BMP 233) – due to ground disturbance restrictions in portions of the project, trenches cannot be dug in order to toe in silt fencing. Instead, compost socks shall be installed in place of fencing. Compost socks will be placed outside the boundary of the outermost limits of any proposed clearing or grubbing or fill limits to provide a temporary physical barrier to sediment and reduce runoff velocities.

### Installation Schedules:

Check Dams (BMP C207) – this BMP will be installed as CAVFS and berms are constructed and will remain in place in perpetuity.

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) – this BMP will be installed prior to construction within the unnamed streams and upland drainage ditch. This BMP will be implemented until final stabilization of the area occurs.

Compost Sock, in lieu if Silt Fence (BMP C233) –this BMP will be installed prior to staging or start of construction within an area and will continue to be implemented until final stabilization occurs.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Check Dams (BMP C207) – This BMP shall be monitored for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 1/2 the height of the BMP.

Triangular Silt Dike (BMP C208) – Triangular silt dikes shall be inspected for performance and sediment accumulation during and after every runoff event. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches one half the height of the BMP. Immediately repair any damage or undercutting of the BMP.

Compost Sock, in lieu of Silt Fence (BMP C233) – this BMP shall be regularly inspected for damage and sediment deposits after any and all runoff events. Damage to or undercutting of the BMP shall be repaired immediately. When the depth of sediment accumulation reaches 1/3<sup>rd</sup> the height of the BMP those deposits shall be removed.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

### 2.1.5 Element 5: Stabilize Soils

### **West of the Cascade Mountains Crest**

Season	Dates	Number of Days Soils Can be Left Exposed	
During the Dry Season	May 1 – September 30	7 days	
During the Wet Season	October 1 – April 30	2 days	

Soils shall be stabilized at the end of the shift before a holiday or weekend, as needed, based on weather forcasts.

Anticipated project dates: Start date: 05/01/2019 End date: 10/30/2019

Will you construct during the wet season?

Yes No

### List and describe BMPs:

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – seeding shall occur throughout the project area on any exposed soils that have been unworked for more than 7 days between May 1 and September 30 or more than 2 days between October 1 and April 30 whether or not final grades have been reached. A native seed mix, provided in the special provisions, appropriate to the site shall be as hydroseed. Hydroseed applications shall include a minimum of 1,500 pounds per acre of mulch with 3 percent tackifier. Seeding reduces erosion by stabilizing exposed soils.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – plastic covering may be installed on disturbed areas, slopes, or stockpiles that require temporary cover measures for less than 30 days. If this BMP is used on slopes or areas of higher elevation than surrounding lands compost socks shall be installed at the base of the slope, or at lower grades from the disturbed area. Run plastic up and downslope, not across slope with a minimum 8 –inch overlap at seams. Sandbags shall be placed every 3 to 6 feet along seams and tied together with twine to hold them in place. Plastic

covering provides immediate, short-term erosion protection from stormwater runoff and reduces soil compaction.

Polyacrylamide (PAM) for Soil Erosion Protection (BMP C126) – PAM may be preemptively applied to bare soil in the instance of a suspected rain event. PAM is to be applied at a maximum rate of 2/3 pound PAM per 1,000 gallons of water per 1 acres of bare soil. PAM increases the soil's available pore volume, increasing infiltration and reducing the quantity of stormwater runoff.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be implemented in areas that will not be stabilized immediately as well as on slopes steeper than 3H:1V. A trackhoe, or other similar piece of construction equipment, will be used to track consecutive grooves into a slope parallel to the contours of the slope. The roughened condition of the soil will aid in the establishment of vegetative cover (once hydroseeded) and will reduce runoff velocity and increase infiltration.

Dust Control (BMP C140) – this BMP shall be implemented on and along roadways and within staging areas to prevent wind from transporting dust onto roadways, and/or into drainage ways, and surface waters. The site shall be sprinkled with water until the surface is wet.

### Installation Schedules:

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – this BMP will need to be implemented throughout the project area on any exposed soils that have been unworked for more than 7 days between May 1 and September 30 or more than 2 days between October 1 and April 30 whether or not final grades have been reached. The optimum seeding window is April 1 through June 30 and September 1 through October 1. Areas where see is applied outside of these times may need a second application during these windows.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – this BMP may be installed on disturbed slopes that require cover for more than 30 days and will remain until the area is ready for further work or final stabilization.

Polyacrylamide (PAM) for Soil Erosion and Protection (BMP C126) – this BMP may be installed prior to a suspected rainfall event in areas of bare soil.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be implemented in areas that will not be stabilized immediately as well as on slopes steeper than 3H:1V.

Dust Control (BMP C140) – Implement this BMP over the full length of the construction period, in all areas throughout the project area as needed..

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – this BMPs shall be regularly inspected for effectiveness. Any areas that fail to establish at least 80 percent cover (100 percent cover if receiving sheet or concentrated flows) shall be reseeded. If reseeding is ineffective, an alternative BMP must be applied. If seeding is ineffective alternative methods shall be used, including but not limited to sodding, mulching, or installing nets/blankets. Any eroded areas or

areas that experience erosion after achieving adequate cover shall be re-seeded and protected by mulch.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – this BMPs shall be inspected regularly. In the instance of a tear, plastic covering shall be replaced and open seams repaired. Plastic covering that is weakened and/or deteriorating due to prolonged periods of sun exposure shall be removed and replaced. This BMP shall be removed and disposed of properly once it is no longer required.

Polyacrylamide (PAM) for Soil Erosion Protection (BMP C126) – this BMP shall be inspected regularly for effectiveness. PAM may be reapplied on actively worked areas in 48-hour intervals as needed. If the PAM-treated area is left undisturbed, another application may not be need for up to two months. If the PAM-treated area is left undisturbed and covered with straw, reapplication may not be necessary for several months.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be inspected regularly for effectiveness. If rills appear the area should be regraded and reseeded as quickly as possible.

Dust Control (C140) – monitor surfaces and respray as necessary to keep dust to a minimum.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

# 2.1.6 Element 6: Protect Slopes

Will steep slopes be present at the site during construction? Yes **No** 

### List and describe BMPs:

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – seeding shall occur throughout the project area on any exposed soils that have been unworked for more than 7 days between May 1 and September 30 or more than 2 days between October 1 and April 30 whether or not final grades have been reached. A native seed mix, provided in the special provisions, appropriate to the site shall be as hydroseed. Hydroseed applications shall include a minimum of 1,500 pounds per acre of mulch with 3 percent tackifier. Seeding reduces erosion by stabilizing exposed soils.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – plastic covering may be installed on disturbed areas, slopes, or stockpiles that require temporary cover measures for less than 30 days. If this BMP is used on slopes or areas of higher elevation than surrounding lands compost socks shall be installed at the base of the slope, or at lower grades from the disturbed area. Run plastic up and downslope, not across slope with a minimum 8 –inch overlap at seams. Sandbags shall be placed every 3 to 6 feet along seams and tied together with twine to hold them in place. Plastic covering provides immediate, short-term erosion protection from stormwater runoff and reduces soil compaction.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be implemented in areas that will not be stabilized immediately as well as on slopes steeper than 3H:1V. A trackhoe, or other similar

piece of construction equipment, will be used to track consecutive grooves into a slope parallel to the contours of the slope. The roughened condition of the soil will aid in the establishment of vegetative cover (once hydroseeded) and will reduce runoff velocity and increase infiltration.

Check Dams (BMP C207) – quarry spalls shall be used to install rock check dams perpendicular to the flow of water, within proposed roadside drainage swales. This BMPs will reduce the velocity of concentrated flows and dissipate energy as well as allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

### Installation Schedules:

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – this BMP will need to be implemented throughout the project area on any exposed soils that have been unworked for more than 7 days between May 1 and September 30 or more than 2 days between October 1 and April 30 whether or not final grades have been reached. The optimum seeding window is April 1 through June 30 and September 1 through October 1. Areas where see is applied outside of these times may need a second application during these windows.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – this BMP may be installed on disturbed slopes that require cover for more than 30 days and will remain until the area is ready for further work or final stabilization.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be implemented in areas that will not be stabilized immediately as well as on slopes steeper than 3H:1V.

Check Dams (BMP C207) – this BMP will be installed as CAVFS and berms are constructed and will remain in place in perpetuity.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Temporary and Permanent Seeding (BMP C120) – this BMPs shall be regularly inspected for effectiveness. Any areas that fail to establish at least 80 percent cover (100 percent cover if receiving sheet or concentrated flows) shall be reseeded. If reseeding is ineffective, an alternative BMP must be applied. If seeding is ineffective alternative methods shall be used, including but not limited to sodding, mulching, or installing nets/blankets. Any eroded areas or areas that experience erosion after achieving adequate cover shall be re-seeded and protected by mulch.

Plastic Covering (BMP C123) – this BMPs shall be inspected regularly. In the instance of a tear, plastic covering shall be replaced and open seams repaired. Plastic covering that is weakened and/or deteriorating due to prolonged periods of sun exposure shall be removed and replaced. This BMP shall be removed and disposed of properly once it is no longer required.

Surface Roughening (BMP C130) – this BMP shall be inspected regularly for effectiveness. If rills appear the area should be regraded and reseeded as quickly as possible.

Check Dams (BMP C207) – This BMP shall be monitored for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 1/2 the height of the BMP.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

### 2.1.7 Element 7: Protect Drain Inlets

The proposed project is within a rural area where no storm drain inlets are present so no BMPs will be utilized for this element.

### 2.1.8 Element 8: Stabilize Channels and Outlets

### List and describe BMPs:

Check Dams (BMP C207) – quarry spalls shall be used to install rock check dams perpendicular to the flow of water, within proposed roadside drainage swales. This BMPs will reduce the velocity of concentrated flows and dissipate energy as well as allow sediment to settle out rather than being carrier offsite.

Outlet Protection (BMP C209) – quarry spalls shall be installed immediately downstream of a culvert outlet to the area 6 feet downstream and extend up the channel sides a minimum of 1-foot above the maximum tailwater elevation or 1-foot above the crown, whichever is higher. Outlet protection will prevent scour at conveyance outlets and minimize the potential for downstream erosion by reducing the velocity of concentrated stormwater flows.

#### Installation Schedules:

Check Dams (BMP C207) – this BMP will be installed as CAVFS and berms are constructed and will remain in place in perpetuity.

Outlet Protection (BMP C209) – this BMP will be installed once existing culverts are replaced and will remain in place in perpetuity.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Check Dams (BMP C207) – This BMP shall be monitored for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches 1/2 the height of the BMP.

Outlet Protection (BMP C235) – This BMP shall be inspected and repaired as needed. Rock shall be added if the BMP is not serving its intended function. The BMP shall be monitored for sediment buildup and sediment shall be removed as needed.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

### 2.1.9 Element 9: Control Pollutants

The following pollutants are anticipated to be present on-site:

### Table 2 – Pollutants

### Pollutant (and source, if applicable)

Petroleum-based products (fuel, oil, grease)

Any chemicals stored onsite will conform to the appropriate source control BMPs listed in Volume IV of the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington (SMMWW). In western Washington, all chemicals shall have cover, containment, and protection provided onsite, per BMP C153 for Material Delivery, Storage and Containment. Other BMPS such as the use of pools during fueling operations, secondary containment for stationary equipment and locks on the fuel tanks of heavy equipment will be administered as necessary to address any additional pollutant sources onsite.

Refueling should not take place within 150ft of a waterbody, including wetlands. If it is not feasible to move the equipment extreme care will be taken when fueling in these areas. Plastic pools, drip pans, or bermed containment may be placed under/around the area where fueling will occur to ensure no petroleum comes in contact with the ground.

Any contaminated soil will be deposited into 55 gallon drums and labeled "CONTAMINTED MATERIAL". If the contaminated area is too large it will be bermed, covered with plastic, and hauled off site. Contaminated material will be disposed of at an approved disposal site.

### List and describe BMPs:

Material Delivery, Storage, and Containment (BMP C153) – The temporary storage area shall be located away from vehicular traffic, near the staging area, and 150 feet from waterways. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) shall be supplied for all materials stored and chemicals kept in their original labeled containers. No hazardous materials will be stored onsite. Petroleum products shall be stored in their approved containers which will be stored in temporary secondary containment facilities (e.g. earthen dike).

### Installation Schedules:

Material Delivery, Storage, and Containment (BMP C153) – Materials will be delivered throughout the length of the project and stored onsite.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Material Delivery, Storage, and Containment (BMP C153) – All vehicles, equipment, and petroleum products storage/dispensing areas will be inspected regularly to detect any leaks or spills, and to identify maintenance needs to prevent leaks or spills.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

Will maintenance, fueling, and/or repair of heavy equipment and vehicles occur on-site?

Yes

No

No maintenance or repair of heavy equipment is anticipated to occur onsite and refueling should occur 150 ft from any waterbodies, including wetlands.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

Will wheel wash or tire bath system BMPs be used during construction?

Yes No

Will pH-modifying sources be present onsite?

Yes **No** If yes, check the source(s).

### Table 3 – pH-Modifying Sources

Χ	None
	Bulk cement
	Cement kiln dust
	Fly ash
	Other cementitious materials
	New concrete washing or curing waters
	Waste streams generated from concrete grinding and sawing
	Exposed aggregate processes
	Dewatering concrete vaults
	Concrete pumping and mixer washout waters
	Recycled concrete
	Other (i.e. calcium lignosulfate) [please describe]

No pH modifying source will be present onsite so no BMPs will be needed to control such pollutants.

# 2.1.10 Element 10: Control Dewatering

Culvert replacements will occur within two unnamed non-fishbearing streams as well as within an upland ditch. Should flow be present during construction, dewatering be required. Either sandbag cofferdams lined in plastic or triangular silt dikes will be placed upstream and downstream of the in-water work. If flowing water is present a bypass pump will be installed and water will be pumped around the area of proposed streamwork. A dewatering pump would then be installed and water within the zone of isolation would be pumped into a hose and discharged in an area where it can be filtered through a grass lined channel (BMP C201) or minimum 200 ft of vegetation (BMP C236) before entering a surface water.

If groundwater is encountered it will be controlled, treated, and discharged it as described in Standard Specification 8-01.3(1)C. Uncontaminated dewatering water is an authorized non-

stormwater discharge. If dewatering water comes into contact with pH-modifying substances, it will be monitored and sampled before being discharged to surface waters of the state in order to ensure high-pH groundwater is not discharged into surface waters of the state. Vegetative filtration (BMP C236) will be utilized in designated areas or pH will be neutralized before discharge to surface waters occurs.

### **Table 4 – Dewatering BMPs**

Χ	Infiltration
	Transport off-site in a vehicle (vacuum truck for legal disposal)
	Ecology-approved on-site chemical treatment or other suitable treatment technologies
	Sanitary or combined sewer discharge with local sewer district approval (last resort)
	Use of sedimentation bag with discharge to ditch or swale (small volumes of localized dewatering)

### List and describe BMPs:

Grass Lined Channel (BMP C201) – if dewatering is required, dewatering water may be pumped to a grass-lined channel such as a roadside ditch that will allow the water to be filtered through a minimum 200 ft of vegetation before entering a surface water.

Vegetative Filtration (BMP C236) – if dewatering is required, dewatering water may be pumped to a grass field or wooded area adjacent to where dewatering activities take place that will allow the water to be filtered through a minimum 200 ft of vegetation before entering a surface water.

### Installation Schedules:

Grass Lined Channel (BMP C201) – this BMP may implemented if/as long as dewatering is required.

Vegetative Filtration (BMP C236) – this BMP may implemented if/as long as dewatering is required.

### **Inspection and Maintenance Plan:**

Grass Lined Channel (BMP C201) – check channel after heavy rain events for stability and evidence of piping or scour holes. Make any necessary repairs immediately. Remove all significant sediment accumulations to maintain the required carrying capacity. Keep grass in a healthy, vigorous condition at all times, since it is the primary erosion protection for the channel.

Vegetative Filtration (BMP C236) – at a minimum, spray nozzles shall be inspected daily for leaks and plugging from sediment particles. Implementation of this BMPs shall cease if standing water or erosion results in the vegetated area.

Responsible Staff: In field installation and inspection of BMPs will be the responsibility of the Contractor's CESCL with oversite from Ann Weckback, Environmental Planner at Lewis County Public Works.

### 2.1.11 Element 11: Maintain BMPs

All temporary and permanent Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC) BMPs shall be maintained and repaired as needed to ensure continued performance of their intended function.

Maintenance and repair shall be conducted in accordance with each particular BMP specification (see *Volume II of the SWMMWW or Chapter 7 of the SWMMEW*).

Visual monitoring of all BMPs installed at the site will be conducted at least once every calendar week and within 24 hours of any stormwater or non-stormwater discharge from the site. If the site becomes inactive and is temporarily stabilized, the inspection frequency may be reduced to once every calendar month.

All temporary ESC BMPs shall be removed within 30 days after final site stabilization is achieved or after the temporary BMPs are no longer needed.

Trapped sediment shall be stabilized on-site or removed. Disturbed soil resulting from removal of either BMPs or vegetation shall be permanently stabilized.

Additionally, protection must be provided for all BMPs installed for the permanent control of stormwater from sediment and compaction. BMPs that are to remain in place following completion of construction shall be examined and restored to full operating condition. If sediment enters these BMPs during construction, the sediment shall be removed and the facility shall be returned to conditions specified in the construction documents.

# 2.1.12 Element 12: Manage the Project

The project will be managed based on the following principles:

- Projects will be phased to the maximum extent practicable and seasonal work limitations will be taken into account.
- Inspection and monitoring:
  - Inspection, maintenance and repair of all BMPs will occur as needed to ensure performance of their intended function.
  - Site inspections and monitoring will be conducted in accordance with Special Condition S4 of the CSWGP. Sampling locations are indicated on the <u>Site Map</u>. Sampling station(s) are located in accordance with applicable requirements of the CSWGP.
- Maintain an updated SWPPP.
  - The SWPPP will be updated, maintained, and implemented in accordance with Special Conditions S3, S4, and S9 of the CSWGP.

As site work progresses the SWPPP will be modified routinely to reflect changing site conditions. The SWPPP will be reviewed monthly to ensure the content is current.

### Table 5 – Management

Χ	Design the project to fit the existing topography, soils, and drainage patterns
Χ	Emphasize erosion control rather than sediment control
Χ	Minimize the extent and duration of the area exposed
Χ	Keep runoff velocities low
Χ	Retain sediment on-site
Χ	Thoroughly monitor site and maintain all ESC measures
Χ	Schedule major earthwork during the dry season
	Other (please describe)

# 2.1.13 Element 13: Protect Low Impact Development (LID) BMPs

There are no bioretention facilities or rain gardens proposed as part of this project. No low impact development is proposed as part of this project as it is a linear transportation project rather than a development project.

# 3.0 Pollution Prevention Team

Table 6 - Team Information

Title	Name(s)	Phone Number
Certified Erosion and	Joe Byers	360-520-4144
Sediment Control Lead		
(CESCL)		
Resident Engineer	Don Carney	360-740-2695
Emergency Ecology	Honor Carpenter, Construction	360-407-7320
Contact	Stormwater Inspector	
Emergency Permittee/	TBD	TBD
Owner Contact		
Non-Emergency Owner	TBD	TBD
Contact		
Monitoring Personnel	TBD	TBD
Ecology Regional Office	Southwest Regional Office	360-407-6300

# 4.0 Monitoring and Sampling Requirements

Monitoring includes visual inspection, sampling for water quality parameters of concern, and documentation of the inspection and sampling findings in a site log book. A site log book will be maintained for all on-site construction activities and will include:

- A record of the implementation of the SWPPP and other permit requirements
- Site inspections
- Stormwater sampling data

The Construction Stormwater Site Inspection Form may be found in Appendix D.

The site log book must be maintained on-site within reasonable access to the site and be made available upon request to Ecology or the local jurisdiction.

### 4.1 Site Inspection

Site inspections will be conducted at least once every calendar week and within 24 hours following any discharge from the site. For sites that are temporarily stabilized and inactive, the required frequency is reduced to once per calendar month.

The discharge point(s) are indicated on the <u>Site Map</u> (see Appendix A) and in accordance with the applicable requirements of the CSWGP.

# 4.2 Stormwater Quality Sampling

# 4.2.1 Turbidity Sampling

Requirements include calibrated turbidity meter or transparency tube to sample site discharges for compliance with the CSWGP. Sampling will be conducted at all discharge points at least once per calendar week.

Method for sampling turbidity:

### Table 7 - Turbidity Sampling Method

Χ	Turbidity Meter/Turbidimeter (required for disturbances 5 acres or greater in size)
	Transparency Tube (option for disturbances less than 1 acre and up to 5 acres in size)

The benchmark for turbidity value is 25 nephelometric turbidity units (NTU) and a transparency less than 33 centimeters.

If the discharge's turbidity is 26 to 249 NTU <u>or</u> the transparency is less than 33 cm but equal to or greater than 6 cm, the following steps will be conducted:

- 1. Review the SWPPP for compliance with Special Condition S9. Make appropriate revisions within 7 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark.
- 2. Immediately begin the process to fully implement and maintain appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible. Address the problems within 10 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when the Permittee requests an extension within the initial 10-day response period.
- 3. Document BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.

If the turbidity exceeds 250 NTU  $\underline{or}$  the transparency is 6 cm or less at any time, the following steps will be conducted:

- Telephone or submit an electronic report to the applicable Ecology Region's Environmental Report Tracking System (ERTS) within 24 hours. https://www.ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Get-involved/Report-an-environmental-issue
  - <u>Central Region</u> (Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan, Yakima): (509) 575-2490
  - <u>Eastern Region</u> (Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman): (509) 329-3400
  - Northwest Region (King, Kitsap, Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom): (425) 649-7000
  - Southwest Region (Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, Skamania, Thurston, Wahkiakum,): (360) 407-6300
- 2. Immediately begin the process to fully implement and maintain appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible. Address the problems within 10 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when the Permittee requests an extension within the initial 10-day response period
- 3. Document BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.
- 4. Continue to sample discharges daily until one of the following is true:
  - Turbidity is 25 NTU (or lower).
  - Transparency is 33 cm (or greater).
  - Compliance with the water quality limit for turbidity is achieved.
    - 1 5 NTU over background turbidity, if background is less than 50 NTU
    - 1% 10% over background turbidity, if background is 50 NTU or greater
    - The discharge stops or is eliminated.

# 4.2.2 pH Sampling

pH monitoring is required for "Significant concrete work" (i.e., greater than 1000 cubic yards poured concrete over the life of the project). The use of recycled concrete or engineered soils (soil amendments including but not limited to Portland cement-treated base [CTB], cement kiln dust [CKD] or fly ash) also requires pH monitoring.

For significant concrete work, pH sampling will start the first day concrete is poured and continue until it is cured, typically three (3) weeks after the last pour.

For engineered soils and recycled concrete, pH sampling begins when engineered soils or recycled concrete are first exposed to precipitation and continues until the area is fully stabilized.

If the measured pH is 8.5 or greater, the following measures will be taken:

- 1. Prevent high pH water from entering storm sewer systems or surface water.
- 2. Adjust or neutralize the high pH water to the range of 6.5 to 8.5 su using appropriate technology such as carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) sparging (liquid or dry ice).

3. Written approval will be obtained from Ecology prior to the use of chemical treatment other than CO<sub>2</sub> sparging or dry ice.

Method for sampling pH:

### Table 8 - pH Sampling Method

pH meter
pH test kit
Wide range pH indicator paper

# 5.0 Discharges to 303(d) or Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Waterbodies

## 5.1 303(d) Listed Waterbodies

Is the receiving water 303(d) (Category 5) listed for turbidity, fine sediment, phosphorus, or pH? Yes **No** 

List the impairment(s):

N/A

### 5.2 TMDL Waterbodies

### Waste Load Allocation for CWSGP discharges:

The proposed project is within the Chehalis/Grays Harbor Watershed Dissolved Oxygen, Temperature, and Fecal Coliform Bacteria TMDL. According to the Detailed Implementation (Cleanup) Plan dated November 2004, wasteload allocations (WLAs) for point source dischargers will be implemented by the Department of Ecology through its NPDES permitting authority. No LAs above background are proposed for nonpoint sources upstream of Galvin Road Bridge and for future growth since the entire TMDL load for biochemical oxygen (BOD), ammonia, and temperature has been allotted to natural sources (i.e., not caused by activities of people). The load allocations, for the Newaukum River is, therefore, 0.00 for ammonia and 0.00 carbonaceous biochemical oxygen (CBOD). The LA for vegetated cover is 78 percent with estimated existing shade at 43 percent. Additional shade to meet the target shading is, therefore, 35 percent.

The proposed project is not anticipated to result in any increased to ammonia or CBOD as stormwater will not be exposed to either of these pollutants, the proposed project will not utilize fertilizer or pesticides, and right-of-way purchases will convert some agricultural lands to transportation corridors which should reduce the overall potential for ammonia and fecal material. Additionally, the construction of CAVFS along portions of the roadway will provide treatment to stormwater over the long term.

Regarding shading within the project area while the proposed project will remove 18-inch apple tree from within the buffer of the unnamed tributary to the North Fork Newaukum 2. In order to ensure no loss of shading three trees will be planted within the buffer.

### List and describe BMPs:

Preserving Natural Vegetation (BMP C101) – clear and grub limits, clearing only limits (mowing and trimming only), sensitive area and their buffers, and any trees to be preserved shall be clearly delineated on construction plans and marked in the field, with appropriate materials, before ground-disturbing activities begin. In general, natural vegetation shall be retained in an undisturbed state to the maximum extent possible.

Grass Lined Channel (BMP C201) – if dewatering is required, dewatering water may be pumped to a grass-lined channel such as a roadside ditch that will allow the water to be filtered through a minimum 200 ft of vegetation before entering a surface water.

Vegetative Filtration (BMP C236) – if dewatering is required, dewatering water may be pumped to a grass field or wooded area adjacent to where dewatering activities take place that will allow the water to be filtered through a minimum 200 ft of vegetation before entering a surface water.

Compost Amended Vegetated Filter Strip (CAVFS) (BMP T7.40) – CAVFSs will be installed along the roadway embankment at various locations throughout the project area. This BMP will improve infiltration and increase surface roughness.

### 6.0 Reporting and Record Keeping

# 6.1 Record Keeping

# 6.1.1 Site Log Book

A site log book will be maintained for all on-site construction activities and will include:

- A record of the implementation of the SWPPP and other permit requirements
- Site inspections
- Sample logs

### 6.1.2 Records Retention

Records will be retained during the life of the project and for a minimum of three (3) years following the termination of permit coverage in accordance with Special Condition S5.C of the CSWGP.

Permit documentation to be retained on-site:

- CSWGP
- Permit Coverage Letter
- SWPPP
- Site Log Book

Permit documentation will be provided within 14 days of receipt of a written request from Ecology. A copy of the SWPPP or access to the SWPPP will be provided to the public when requested in writing in accordance with Special Condition S5.G.2.b of the CSWGP.

# 6.1.3 Updating the SWPPP

The SWPPP will be modified if:

- Found ineffective in eliminating or significantly minimizing pollutants in stormwater discharges from the site.
- There is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance at the construction site that has, or could have, a significant effect on the discharge of pollutants to waters of the State.

The SWPPP will be modified within seven (7) days if inspection(s) or investigation(s) determine additional or modified BMPs are necessary for compliance. An updated timeline for BMP implementation will be prepared.

# 6.2 Reporting

# **6.2.1 Discharge Monitoring Reports**

Cumulative soil disturbance is one (1) acre or larger; therefore, Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) will be submitted to Ecology monthly. If there was no discharge during a given monitoring period the DMR will be submitted as required, reporting "No Discharge". The DMR due date is fifteen (15) days following the end of each calendar month.

DMRs will be reported online through Ecology's WQWebDMR System.

# 6.2.2 Notification of Noncompliance

If any of the terms and conditions of the permit is not met, and the resulting noncompliance may cause a threat to human health or the environment, the following actions will be taken:

- 1. Ecology will be notified within 24-hours of the failure to comply by calling the applicable Regional office ERTS phone number (Regional office numbers listed below).
- 2. Immediate action will be taken to prevent the discharge/pollution or otherwise stop or correct the noncompliance. If applicable, sampling and analysis of any noncompliance will be repeated immediately and the results submitted to Ecology within five (5) days of becoming aware of the violation.
- 3. A detailed written report describing the noncompliance will be submitted to Ecology within five (5) days, unless requested earlier by Ecology.

Anytime turbidity sampling indicates turbidity is 250 NTUs or greater, or water transparency is 6 cm or less, the Ecology Regional office will be notified by phone within 24 hours of analysis as required by Special Condition S5.A of the CSWGP.

- <u>Central Region</u> at (509) 575-2490 for Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan, or Yakima County
- <u>Eastern Region</u> at (509) 329-3400 for Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, or Whitman County
- Northwest Region at (425) 649-7000 for Island, King, Kitsap, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, or Whatcom County
- <u>Southwest Region</u> at (360) 407-6300 for Clallam, Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Jefferson, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, Skamania, Thurston, or Wahkiakum

### Include the following information:

- 1. Your name and / Phone number
- 2. Permit number
- 3. City / County of project
- 4. Sample results
- 5. Date / Time of call
- 6. Date / Time of sample
- 7. Project name

In accordance with Special Condition S4.D.5.b of the CSWGP, the Ecology Regional office will be notified if chemical treatment other than CO<sub>2</sub> sparging is planned for adjustment of high pH water.

# Glossary

**Berm** - A constructed barrier of compacted earth, rock, or gravel. In a stormwater facility, a berm may serve as a vertical divider typically built up from the bottom.

**Best management practice (BMP)** - The schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and structural and/or managerial practices, that when used singly or in combination, prevent or reduce the release of pollutants and other adverse impacts to waters of Washington State.

**Bioretention** - BMP Engineered facilities that store and treat stormwater by passing it through a specified soil profile, and either retain or detain the treated stormwater for flow attenuation.

**Buffer** - The zone contiguous with a sensitive area that is required for the continued maintenance, function, and structural stability of the sensitive area. The critical functions of a riparian buffer (those associated with an aquatic system) include shading, input of organic debris and coarse sediments, uptake of nutrients, stabilization of banks, interception of fine sediments, overflow during high water events, protection from disturbance by humans and domestic animals, maintenance of wildlife habitat, and room for variation of aquatic system boundaries over time due to hydrologic or climatic effects. The critical functions of terrestrial buffers include protection of slope stability, attenuation of surface water flows from stormwater runoff and precipitation, and erosion control.

Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead (CESCL) - An individual who has current certification through an approved erosion and sediment control training program that meets the minimum training standards established by Ecology. A CESCL is knowledgeable in the principles and practices of erosion and sediment control. The CESCL must have the skills to assess site conditions and construction activities that could impact the quality of stormwater and, the effectiveness of erosion and sediment control measures used to control the quality of stormwater discharges. Certification is obtained through an Ecology approved erosion and sediment control course. Check dam - Small dam constructed in a gully or other small watercourse to decrease the streamflow velocity, minimize channel scour, and promote deposition of sediment.

**Clearing** - The destruction and removal of vegetation by manual, mechanical, or chemical methods.

**Conveyance** - A mechanism for transporting water from one point to another, including pipes, ditches, and channels.

**Culvert** Pipe or concrete box structure that drains open channels, swales or ditches under a roadway or embankment. Typically with no catch-basins or manholes along its length.

**Critical Areas** - At a minimum, areas which include wetlands, areas with a critical recharging effect on aquifers used for potable water, fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas, frequently flooded areas, geologically hazardous areas, including unstable slopes, and associated areas and ecosystems.

**Detention** - The release of stormwater runoff from the site at a slower rate than it is collected by the stormwater facility system, the difference being held in temporary storage.

**Discharge** - Runoff leaving a new development or redevelopment via overland flow, built conveyance systems, or infiltration facilities. A hydraulic rate of flow, specifically fluid flow; a volume of fluid passing a point per unit of time, commonly expressed as cubic feet per second, cubic meters per second, gallons per minute, gallons per day, or millions of gallons per day.

**Discharge Point** - The location where a discharge leaves the Permittee's MS4 through the Permittee's MS4 facilities/BMPs designed to infiltrate.

**Ditch** - A long narrow excavation dug in the earth for drainage with its top width less than 10 feet at design flow.

**Drainage** - Refers to the collection, conveyance, containment, and/or discharge of surface and stormwater runoff.

**Embankment** - A structure of earth, gravel, or similar material raised to form a pond bank or foundation for a road.

Engineered soil/ landscape system - This is a self-sustaining soil and plant system that simultaneously supports plant growth, soil microbes, water infiltration, nutrient and pollutant adsorption, sediment and pollutant biofiltration, water interflow, and pollution decomposition. The system shall be protected from compaction and erosion. The system shall be planted and/or mulched as part of the installation. The engineered soil/plant system shall have the following characteristics: a. Be protected from compaction and erosion. b. Have a plant system to support a sustained soil quality. c. Possess permeability characteristics of not less than 6.0, 2.0, and 0.6 inches/hour for hydrologic soil groups A, B, and C, respectively (per ASTM D3385). D is less than 0.6 inches/hour. d. Possess minimum percent organic matter of 12, 14, 16, and 18 percent (dryweight basis) for hydrologic soil groups A, B, C, and D, respectively (per ASTM D2974).

**Erosion** - The wearing away of the land surface by running water, wind, ice, or other geological agents, including such processes as gravitational creep. Also, detachment and movement of soil or rock fragments by water, wind, ice, or gravity. The following terms are used to describe different types of water erosion:

- Accelerated erosion Erosion much more rapid than normal or geologic erosion, primarily as a result of the influence of the activities of man or, in some cases, of the animals or natural catastrophes that expose bare surfaces (e.g., fires).
- Geological erosion The normal or natural erosion caused by geological processes acting over long geologic periods and resulting in the wearing-away of mountains, the building up of floodplains, coastal plains, etc. Synonymous with natural erosion.
- Gully erosion The erosion process whereby water accumulates in narrow channels and, over short periods, removes the soil from this narrow area to considerable depths, ranging from 1 to 2 feet to as much as 75 to 100 feet.

- Natural erosion Wearing away of the earth's surface by water, ice, or other natural
  agents under natural environmental conditions of climate, vegetation, etc., undisturbed
  by man. Synonymous with geological erosion.
- Normal erosion The gradual erosion of land used by man which does not greatly exceed natural erosion.
- Rill erosion An erosion process in which numerous small channels only several inches deep are formed; occurs mainly on recently disturbed and exposed soils. See Rill.
- Sheet erosion The removal of a fairly uniform layer of soil from the land surface by runoff.
- Splash erosion The spattering of small soil particles caused by the impact of raindrops on wet soils. The loosened and spattered particles may or may not be subsequently removed by surface runoff.

**Erosion and sedimentation control** - Any temporary or permanent measures taken to reduce erosion; control siltation and sedimentation; and ensure that sediment-laden water does not leave the site.

**Excavation** - The mechanical removal of earth material.

**Fill -** A deposit of earth material placed by artificial means.

**Filter strip** - A grassy area with gentle slopes that treats stormwater runoff from adjacent paved areas before it concentrates into a discrete channel.

**Floodplain** - The total area subject to inundation by a flood including the flood fringe and floodway.flow

**Flow control BMP (or facility)** - A drainage facility designed to mitigate the impacts of increased surface and stormwater runoff flow rates generated by development. Flow control facilities are designed either to hold water for a considerable length of time and then release it by evaporation, plant transpiration, and/or infiltration into the ground, or to hold runoff 2014 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington Volume I - Appendix G - Page 163 for a short period of time, releasing it to the conveyance system at a controlled rate.

**Grade** The slope of a road, channel, or natural ground. The finished surface of a canal bed, roadbed, top of embankment, or bottom of excavation; any surface prepared for the support of construction such as paving or the laying of a conduit.

**(To) Grade** To finish the surface of a canal bed, roadbed, top of embankment or bottom of excavation.

**Hydrologic Soil Groups** - A soil characteristic classification system defined by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service in which a soil may be categorized into one of four soil groups (A, B, C, or D) based upon infiltration rate and other properties.

- Type A: Low runoff potential. Soils having high infiltration rates, even when thoroughly
  wetted, and consisting chiefly of deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or
  gravels. These soils have a high rate of water transmission.
- Type B: Moderately low runoff potential. Soils having moderate infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted, and consisting chiefly of moderately fine to moderately coarse textures. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission.
- Type C: Moderately high runoff potential. Soils having slow infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted, and consisting chiefly of soils with a layer that impedes downward movement of water, or soils with moderately fine to fine textures. These soils have a slow rate of water transmission.
- Type D: High runoff potential. Soils having very slow infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted, and consisting chiefly of clay soils with a high swelling potential, soils with a permanent high water table, soils with a hardpan, till, or clay layer at or near the surface, soils with a compacted subgrade at or near the surface, and shallow soils or nearly impervious material. These soils have a very slow rate of water transmission<sup>1</sup>.

**Impervious** - A surface which cannot be easily penetrated. For instance, rain does not readily penetrate paved surfaces.

Impervious surface - A non-vegetated surface area which either prevents or retards the entry of water into the soil mantle as under natural conditions prior to development. A non-vegetated surface area which causes water to run off the surface in greater quantities or at an increased rate of flow from the flow present under natural conditions prior to development. Common impervious surfaces include, but are not limited to, roof tops, walkways, patios, driveways, parking lots or storage areas, concrete or asphalt paving, 2014 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington Volume I - Appendix G - Page 170 gravel roads, packed earthen materials, and oiled, macadam or other surfaces which similarly impede the natural infiltration of stormwater. Open, uncovered retention/detention facilities shall not be considered as impervious surfaces for the purposes of determining whether the thresholds for application of minimum requirements are exceeded. Open, uncovered retention/detention facilities shall be considered impervious surfaces for purposes of runoff modeling.

**Improvement -** Streets (with or without curbs or gutters), sidewalks, crosswalks, parking lots, water mains, sanitary and storm sewers, drainage facilities, street trees and other appropriate items.

Infiltration - Means the downward movement of water from the surface to the subsoil.

**Infiltration facility (or system)** - A drainage facility designed to use the hydrologic process of surface and stormwater runoff soaking into the ground, commonly referred to as a percolation, to dispose of surface and stormwater runoff.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Vladimir Novotny and Harvey Olem. Water Quality Prevention, Identification, and Management of Diffuse Pollution, Van Nostrand Reinhold: New York, 1994, p. 109.

**Infiltration rate** - The rate, usually expressed in inches/hour, at which water moves downward (percolates) through the soil profile. Short-term infiltration rates may be inferred from soil analysis or derived from field measurements. Long-term infiltration rates are affected by variability in soils and subsurface conditions at the site, the effectiveness of pretreatment or influent control, and the degree of long-term maintenance of the infiltration facility.

**Low Impact Development (LID)** - A stormwater and land use management strategy that strives to mimic pre-disturbance hydrologic processes of infiltration, filtration, storage, evaporation and transpiration by emphasizing conservation, use of on-site natural features, site planning, and distributed stormwater management practices that are integrated into a project design.

**Maintenance** - Repair and maintenance includes activities conducted on currently serviceable structures, facilities, and equipment that involves no expansion or use beyond that previously existing and results in no significant adverse hydrologic impact. It includes those usual activities taken to prevent a decline, lapse, or cessation in the use of structures and systems. Those usual activities may include replacement of dysfunctioning facilities, including cases where environmental permits require replacing an existing structure with a different type structure, as long as the functioning characteristics of the original structure are not changed. One example is the replacement of a collapsed, fish blocking, round culvert with a new box culvert under the same span, or width, of roadway. In regard to stormwater facilities, maintenance includes assessment to ensure ongoing proper operation, removal of built-up pollutants (i.e., sediments), replacement of failed or failing treatment media, and other actions taken to correct defects.

**Mulch** - A layer of organic material or aggregate applied to the surface of soil. Its purpose is any or all of the following: I To conserve soil moisture or temperature I To improve the fertility and health of the soil I To reduce weed growth I To hold fertilizer, seed, and soil in place I To enhance the visual appeal of the area. Types of mulches used in this manual include: Chipped site vegetation, compost, hydromulch, wood-based or wood straw, wood strand, straw, and aggregate.

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)** - The part of the federal Clean Water Act, which requires point source dischargers to obtain permits. These permits are referred to as NPDES permits and, in Washington State, are administered by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

**Off-site** - Any area lying upstream of the site that drains onto the site and any area lying downstream of the site to which the site drains.

**On-site** - The entire property that includes the proposed development.

**Operational BMPs** - Operational BMPs are a type of Source Control BMP. They are schedules of activities, prohibition of practices, and other managerial practices to prevent or reduce pollutants from entering stormwater. Operational BMPs include formation of a pollution prevention team, good housekeeping, preventive maintenance procedures, spill prevention and clean-up, employee training, inspections of pollutant sources and BMPs, and record keeping. They can also include process changes, raw material/product changes, and recycling wastes.

**Outfall** - A point source as defined by 40 CFR 122.2 at the point where a discharge leaves the Permittee's MS4 and enters a surface receiving waterbody or surface receiving waters. Outfall does not include pipes, tunnels, or other conveyances which connect segments of the same stream or other surface waters and are used to convey primarily surface waters (i.e., culverts).

Outlet - Point of water disposal from a stream, river, lake, tidewater, or artificial drain.

**Permanent Stormwater Control (PSC) Plan** A plan which includes permanent BMPs for the control of pollution from stormwater runoff after construction and/or land disturbing activity has been completed.

**pH** - A measure of the alkalinity or acidity of a substance which is conducted by measuring the concentration of hydrogen ions in the substance. A pH of 7.0 indicates neutral water. A 6.5 reading is slightly acid.

**Pollution** - Contamination or other alteration of the physical, chemical, or biological properties, of waters of the state, including change in temperature, taste, color, turbidity, or odor of the waters, or such discharge of any liquid, gaseous, solid, radioactive or other substance into any waters of the state as will or is likely to create a nuisance or render such waters harmful, detrimental or injurious to the public health, safety or welfare, or to domestic, commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational, or other legitimate beneficial uses, or to livestock, wild animals, birds, fish or other aquatic life.

**Project** - Any proposed action to alter or develop a site. The proposed action of a permit application or an approval, which requires drainage review.

**Project site** - That portion of a property, properties, or right of way subject to land disturbing activities, new hard surfaces, or replaced hard surfaces.

**Receiving Waterbody or Receiving Waters** - Naturally and/or reconstructed naturally occurring surface water bodies, such as creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, wetlands, estuaries, and marine waters, or groundwater, to which a MS4 discharges.

**Retention** The process of collecting and holding surface and stormwater runoff with no surface outflow.

**Retention/detention facility (R/D)** A type of drainage facility designed either to hold water for a considerable length of time and then release it by evaporation, plant transpiration, and/or infiltration into the ground; or to hold surface and stormwater runoff for a short period of time and then release it to the surface and stormwater management system.

**Rill** - A small intermittent watercourse with steep sides, usually only a few inches deep. Often rills are caused by an increase in surface water flow when soil is cleared of vegetation.

**Runoff** - Water originating from rainfall and other precipitation that is found in drainage facilities, rivers, streams, springs, seeps, ponds, lakes and wetlands as well as shallow ground water. As applied in this manual, it also means the portion of rainfall or other precipitation that becomes surface flow and interflow.

**Scour** - Erosion of channel banks due to excessive velocity of the flow of surface and stormwater runoff. Sediment Fragmented material that originates from weathering and erosion of rocks or unconsolidated deposits, and is transported by, suspended in, or deposited by water.

**Sedimentation** - The depositing or formation of sediment.

**Sheet flow** - Runoff that flows over the ground surface as a thin, even layer, not concentrated in a channel.

**Slope** - Degree of deviation of a surface from the horizontal; measured as a numerical ratio, 2014 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington Volume I - Appendix G - Page 191 percent, or in degrees. Expressed as a ratio, the first number is the horizontal distance (run) and the second is the vertical distance (rise), as 2:1. A 2:1 slope is a 50 percent slope. Expressed in degrees, the slope is the angle from the horizontal plane, with a 90° slope being vertical (maximum) and 45° being a 1:1 or 100 percent slope.

**Soil** - The unconsolidated mineral and organic material on the immediate surface of the earth that serves as a natural medium for the growth of land plants. See also topsoil, engineered soil/landscape system, and properly functioning soil system.

**Source control BMP** - A structure or operation that is intended to prevent pollutants from coming into contact with stormwater through physical separation of areas or careful management of activities that are sources of pollutants. This manual separates source control BMPs into two types. Structural Source Control BMPs are physical, structural, or mechanical devices or facilities that are intended to prevent pollutants from entering stormwater. Operational BMPs are non-structural practices that prevent or reduce pollutants from entering stormwater.

**Steep slope** - Slopes of 40 percent gradient or steeper within a vertical elevation change of at least ten feet. A slope is delineated by establishing its toe and top, and is measured by averaging the inclination over at least ten feet of vertical relief. For the purpose of this definition: The toe of a slope is a distinct topographic break in slope that separates slopes inclined at less than 40% from slopes 40% or steeper. Where no distinct break exists, the toe of a steep slope is the lower-most limit of the area where the ground surface drops ten feet or more vertically within a horizontal distance of 25 feet; AND The top of a slope is a distinct topographic break in slope that separates slopes inclined at less than 40% from slopes 40% or steeper. Where no distinct break exists, the top of a steep slope is the upper-most limit of the area where the ground surface drops ten feet or more vertically within a horizontal distance of 25 feet.

**Stormwater** - That portion of precipitation that does not naturally percolate into the ground or evaporate, but flows via overland flow, interflow, pipes and other features of a stormwater drainage system into a defined surface waterbody, or a constructed infiltration facility.

**Subgrade** - A layer soil used as the underlying base for a BMP.

**Surface and stormwater** - Water originating from rainfall and other precipitation that is found in drainage facilities, rivers, streams, springs, seeps, ponds, lakes, and wetlands as well as shallow ground water.

**Swale** - A shallow drainage conveyance with relatively gentle side slopes, generally with flow depths less than one foot.

**Topography** - General term to include characteristics of the ground surface such as plains, hills, mountains, degree of relief, steepness of slopes, and other physiographic features.

**Turbidity** - Dispersion or scattering of light in a liquid, caused by suspended solids and other factors; commonly used as a measure of suspended solids in a liquid.

**Unstable slopes** - Those sloping areas of land which have in the past exhibited, are currently exhibiting, or will likely in the future exhibit, mass movement of earth.

**Waterbody** - Surface waters including rivers, streams, lakes, marine waters, estuaries, and wetlands.

**Water quality** - A term used to describe the chemical, physical, and biological characteristics off water, usually in respect to its suitability for a particular purpose.

**Water quality standards** - Minimum requirements of purity of water for various uses; for example, water for agricultural use in irrigation systems should not exceed specific levels of sodium bicarbonate, pH, total dissolved salts, etc. In Washington, the Department of Ecology sets water quality standards.

Wetlands - Those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs, and similar areas. Wetlands do not include those artificial wetlands intentionally created from non-wetland sites, including, but not limited to, irrigation and drainage ditches, grass-lined swales, canals, detention facilities, wastewater treatment facilities, farm ponds, and landscape amenities, or those wetlands created after July 1, 1990, that were unintentionally created as a result of the construction of a road, street, or highway. Wetlands may include those artificial wetlands intentionally created from non-wetland areas to mitigate the conversion of wetlands.

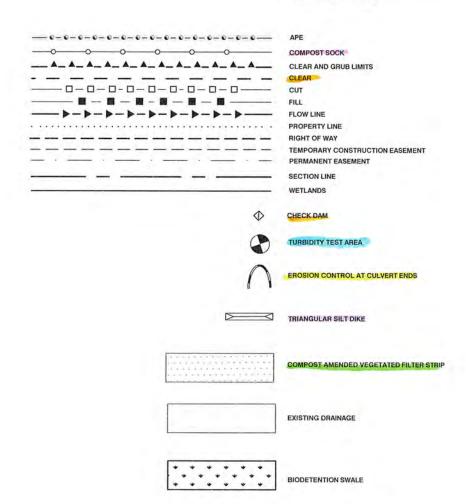
# A. Site Map

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#### NOTE

- 1. THE TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL (TESC) PLAN IS A LIVING DOCUMENT AND SHALL BE UPDATED BY THE CERTIFIED EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL LEAD (CESCL) TO REFLECT CURRENT FIELD CONDITIONS.
- 2. INSTALL EROSION CONTROL AT CULVERT ENDS PER STANDARD PLAN 1-30.20-00
- 3. INSTALL COMPOST SOCK PER WSDOT STANDARD PLAN I-30,40-01

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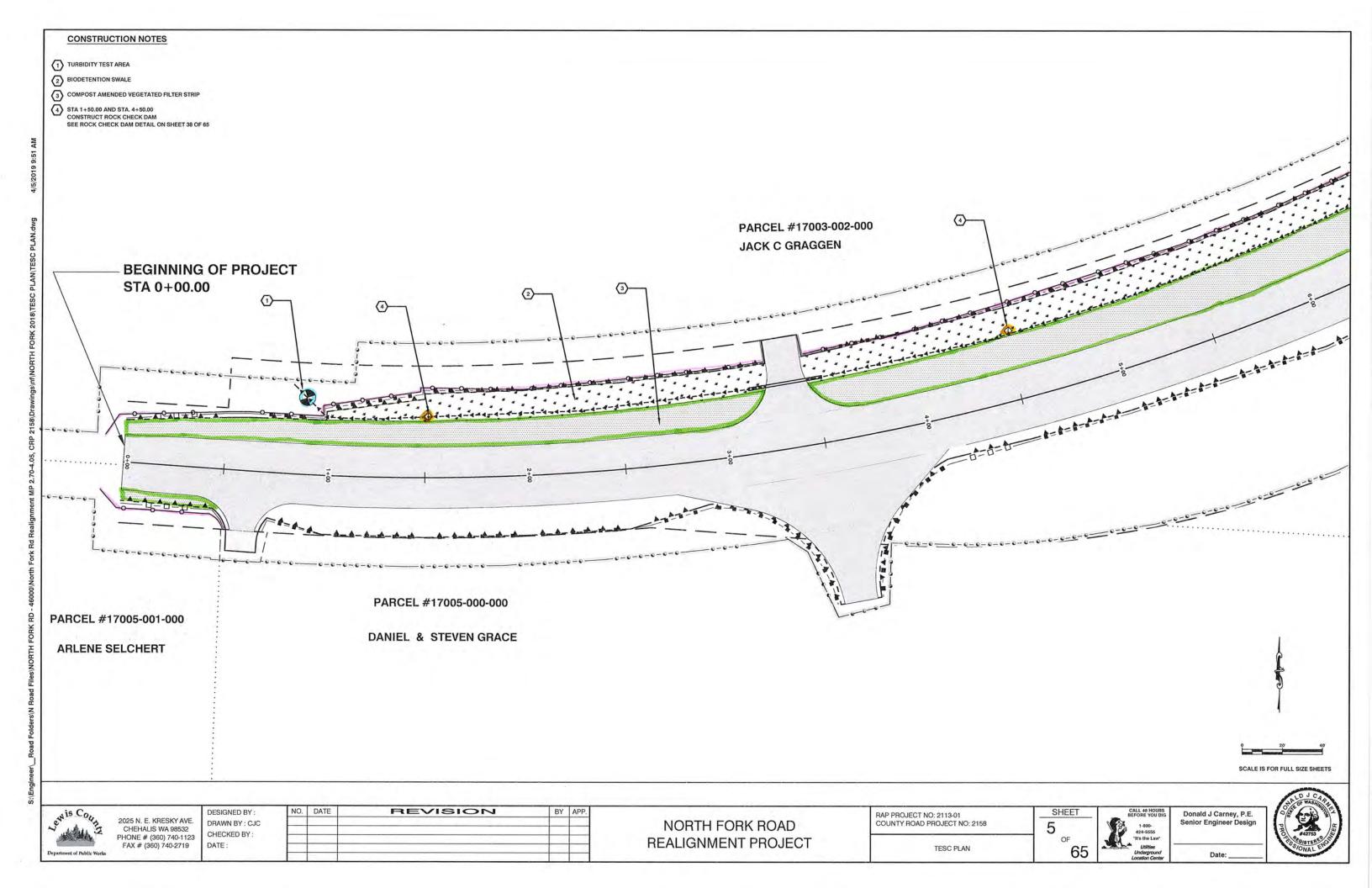
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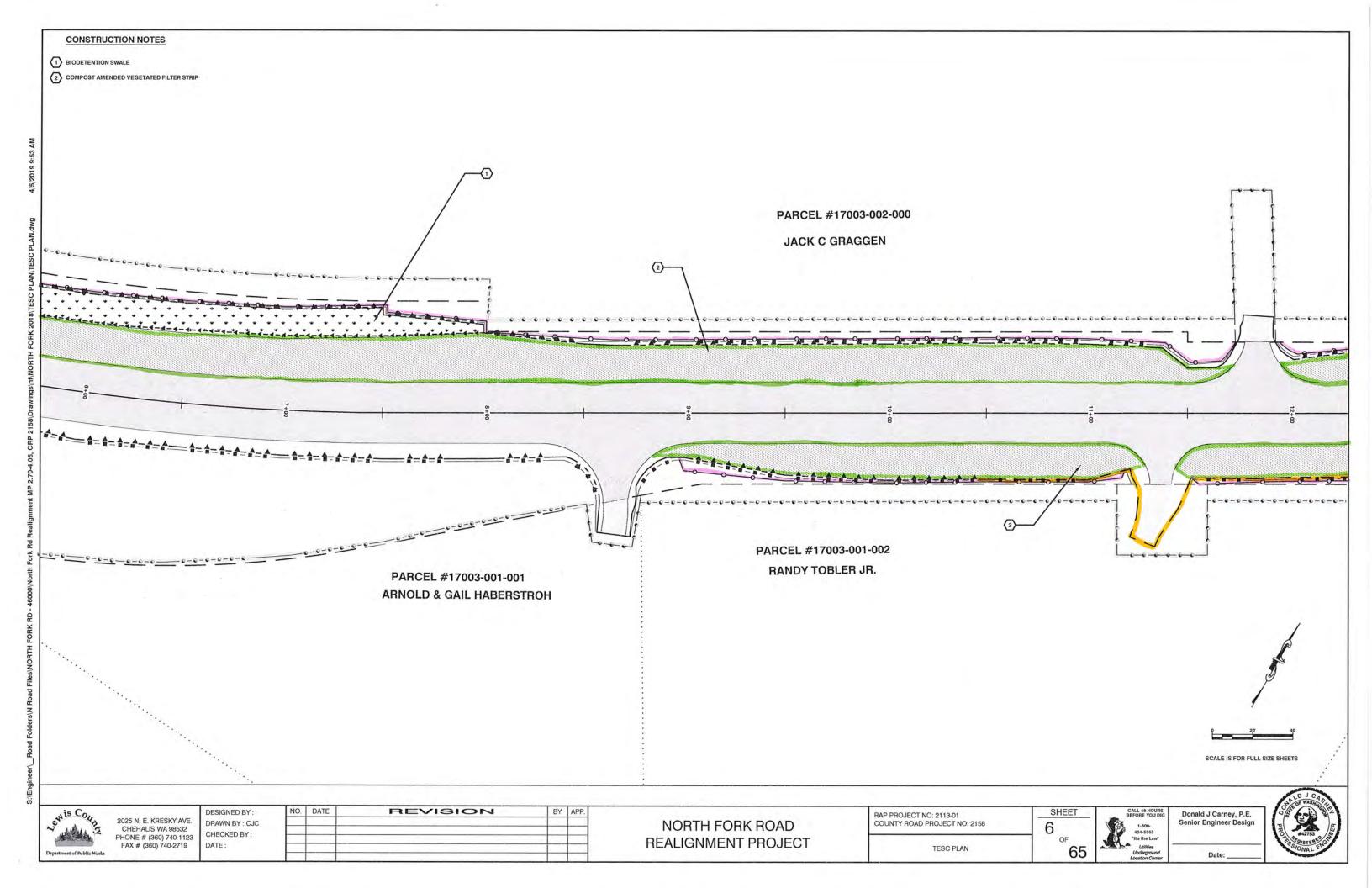
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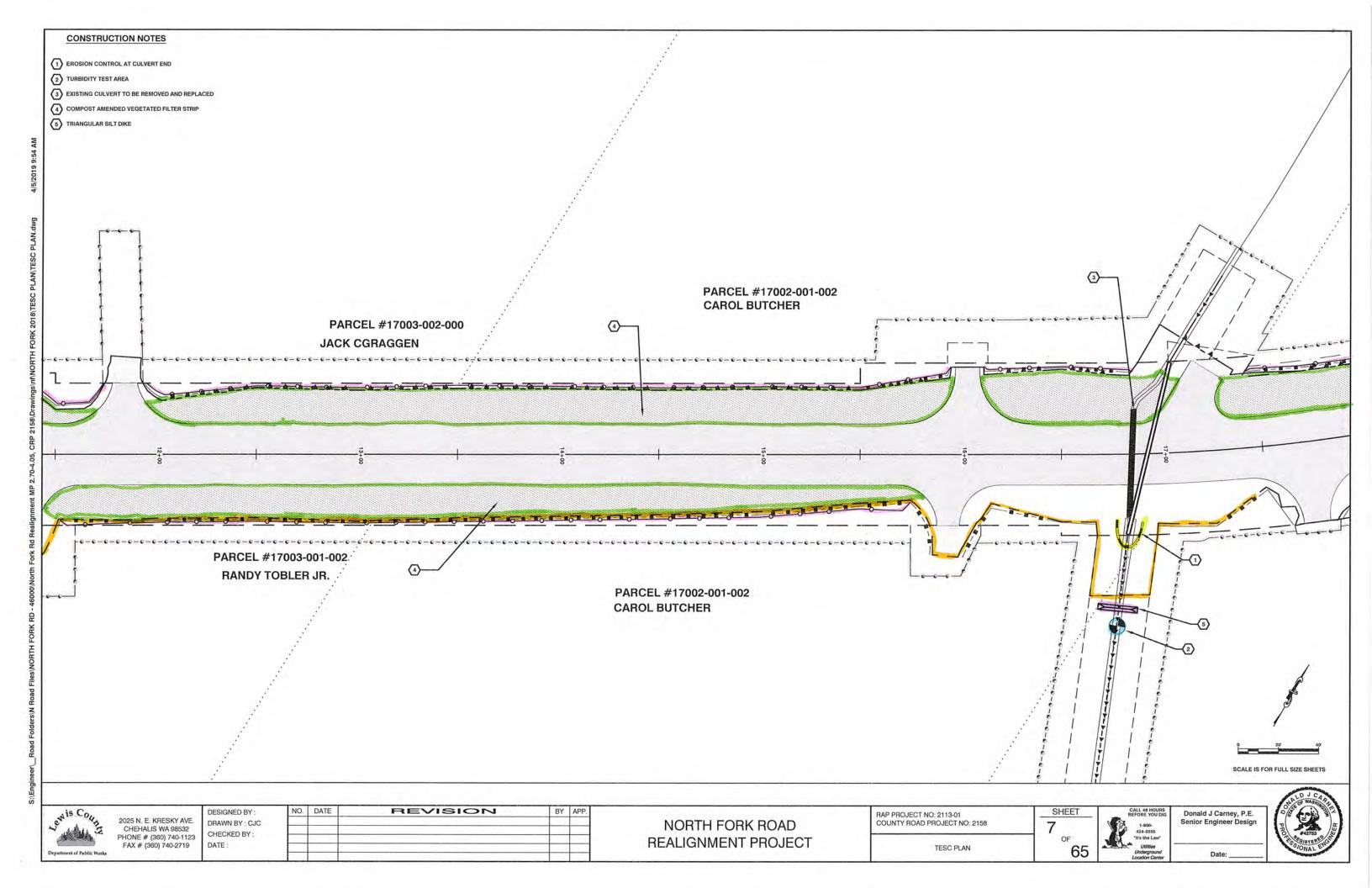
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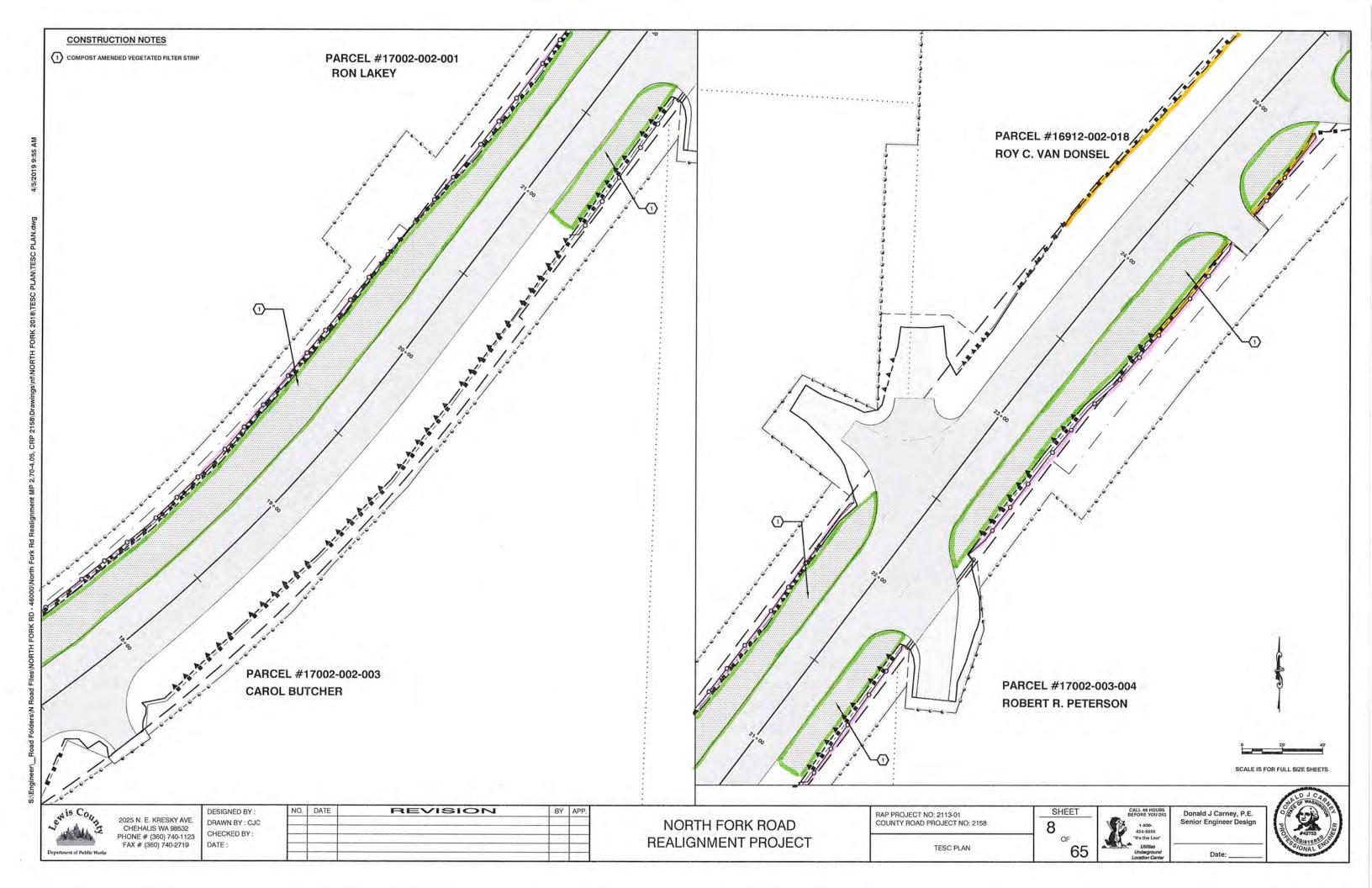
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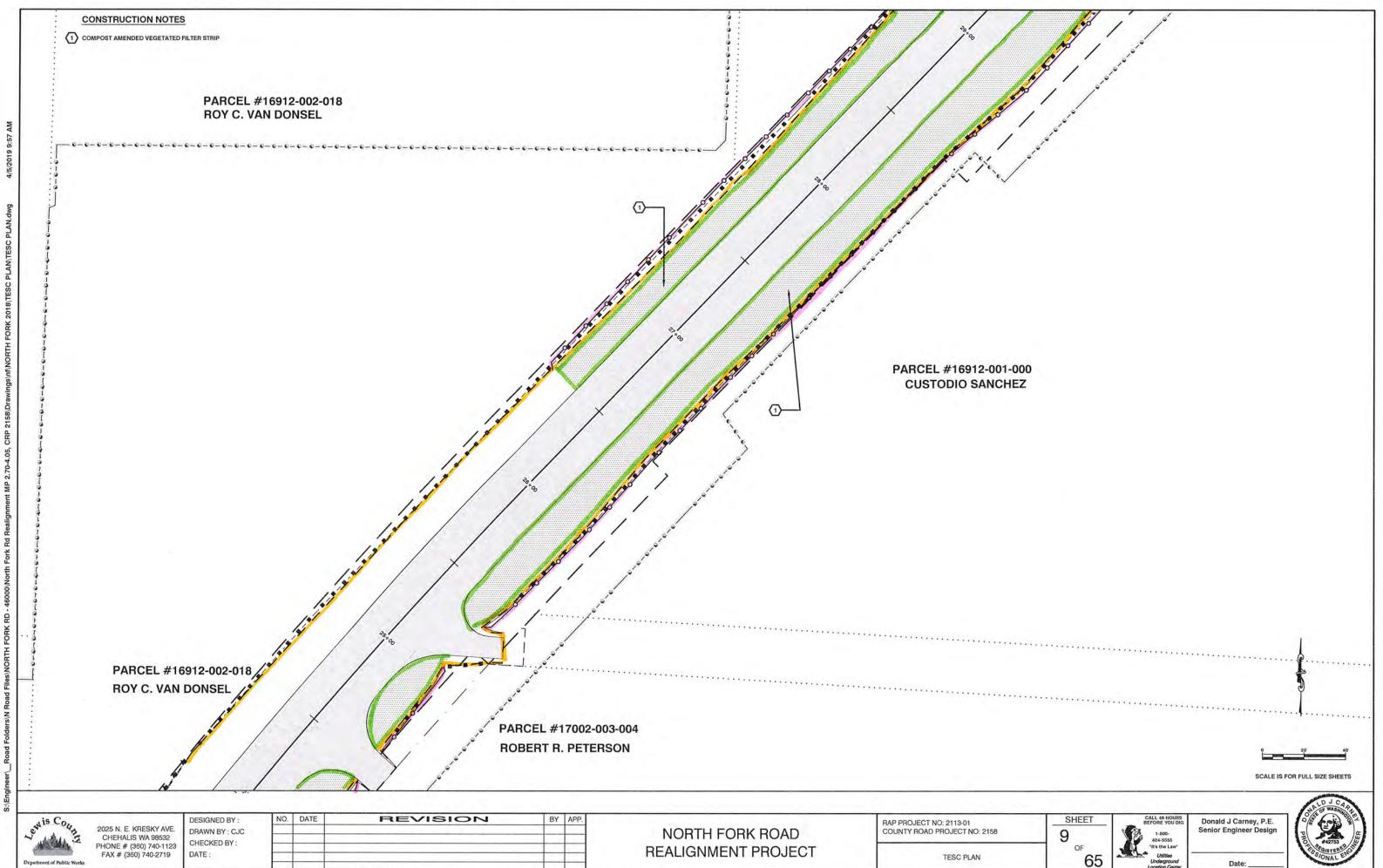


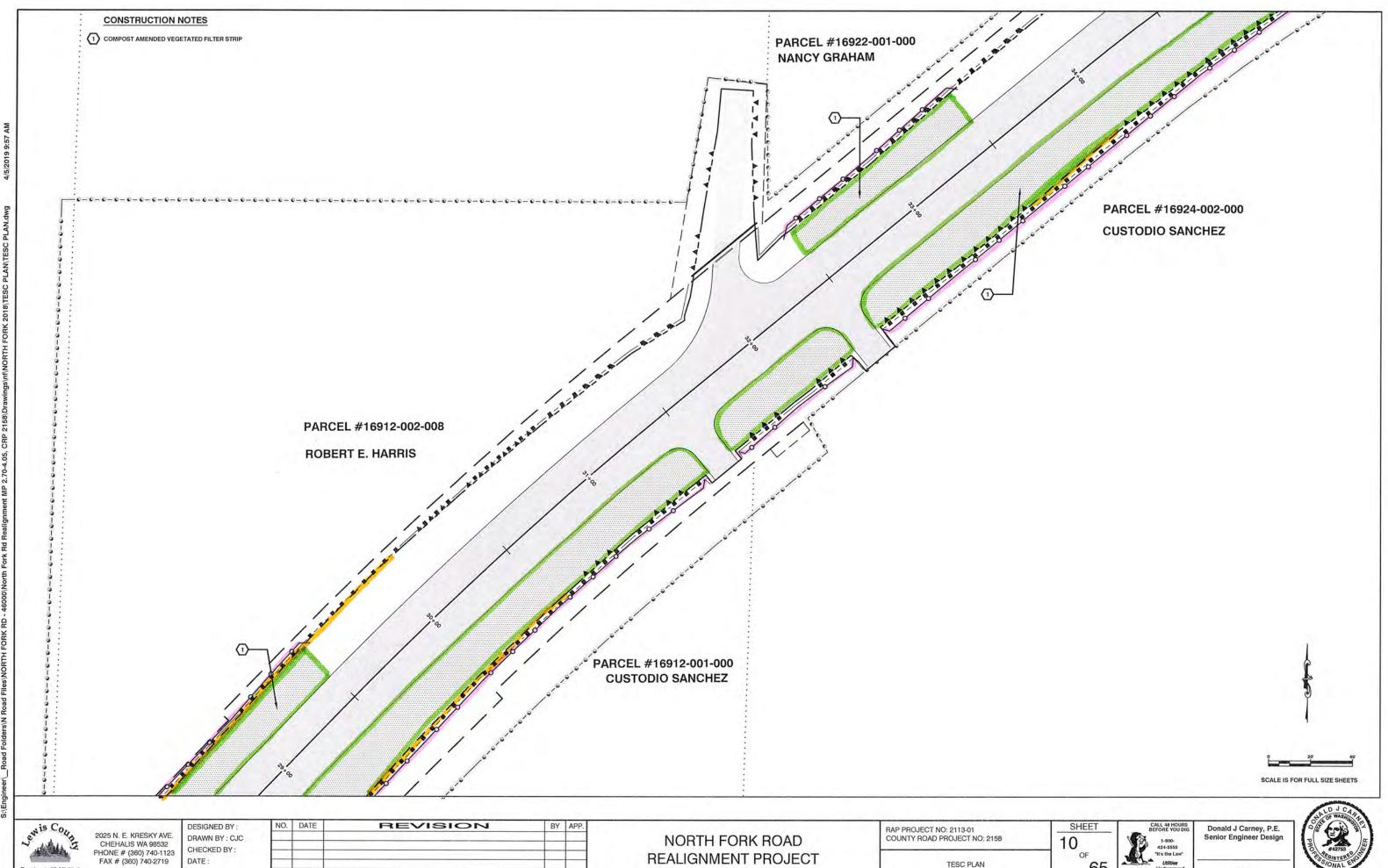






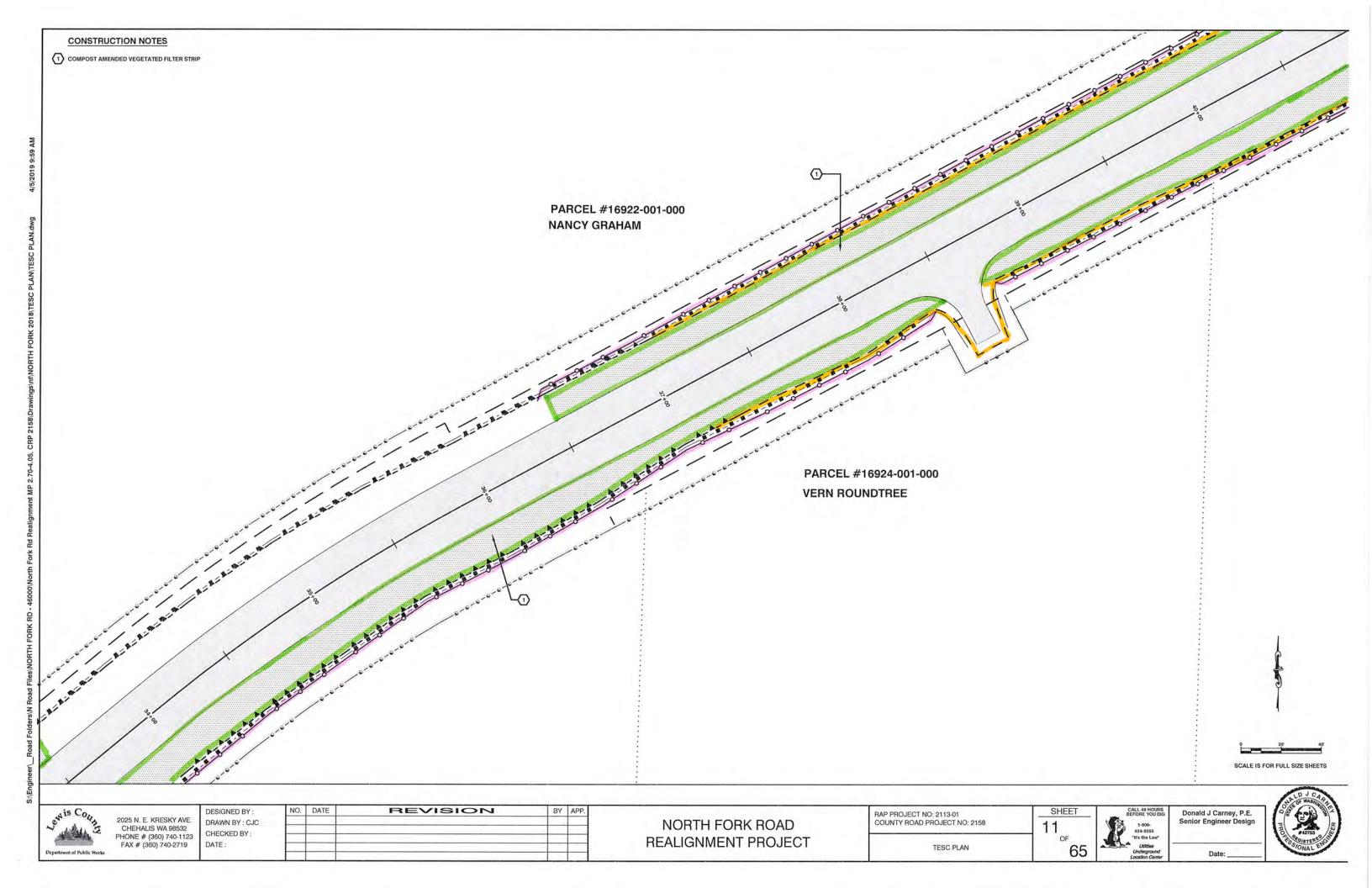


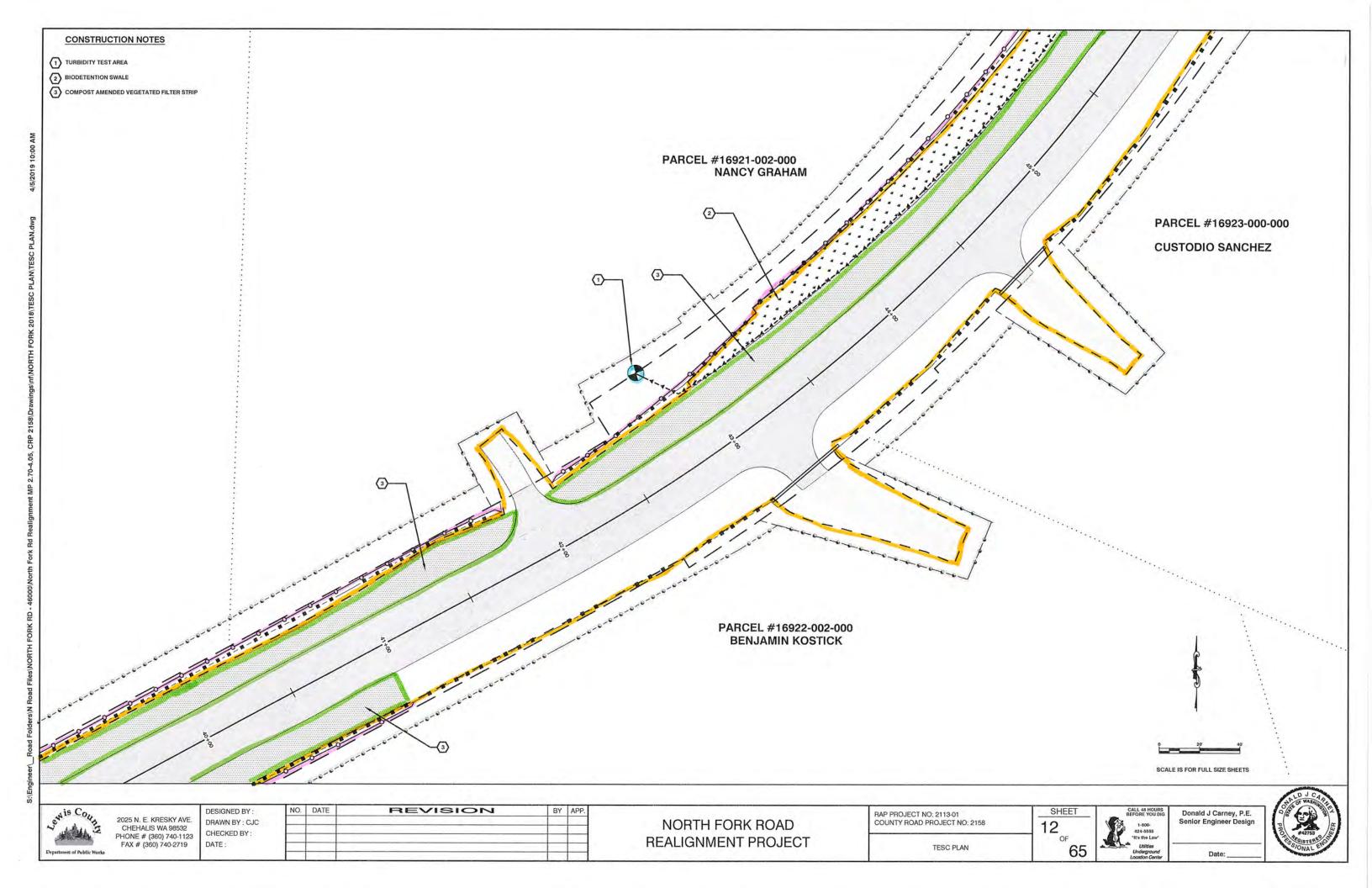


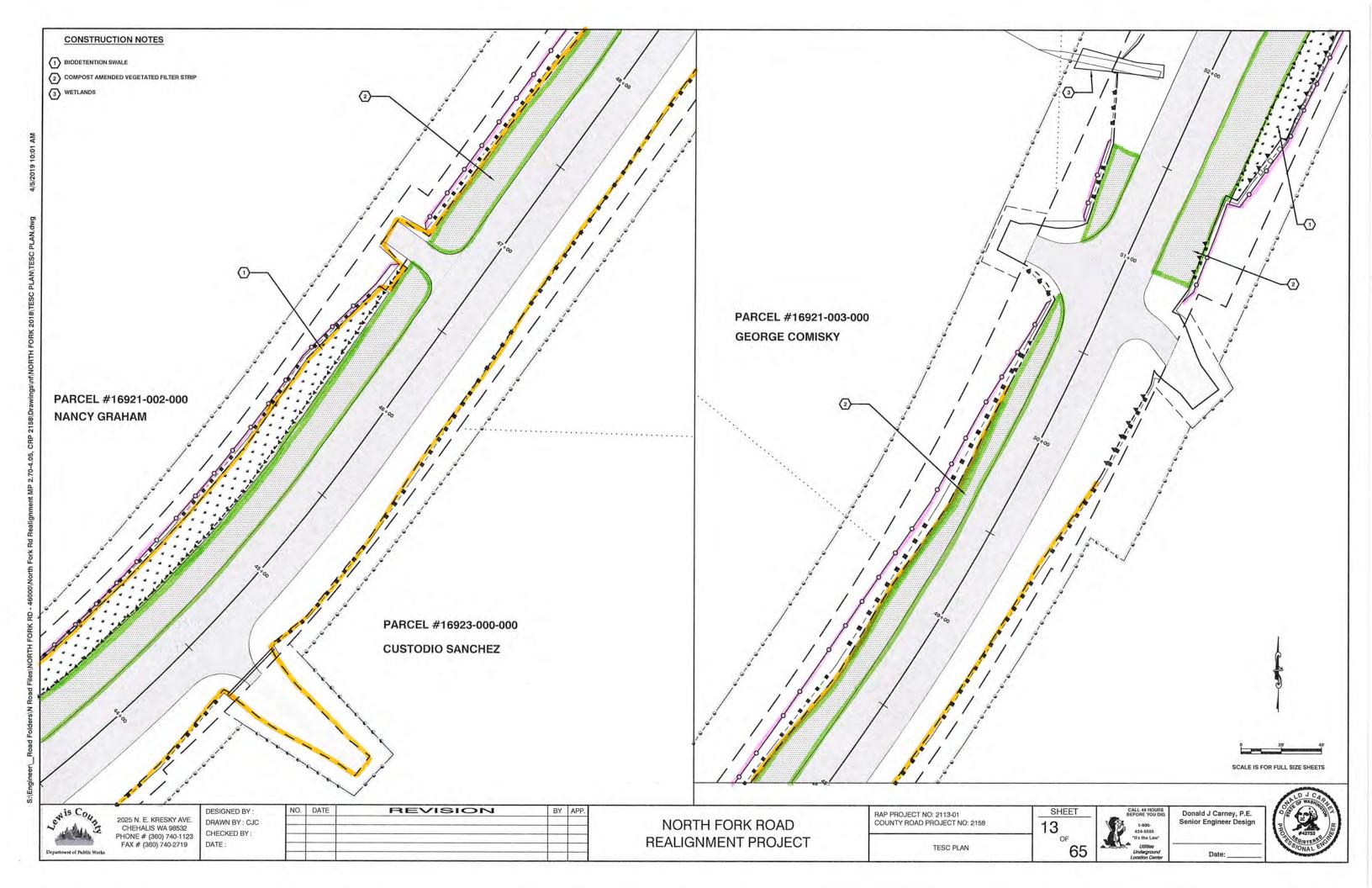


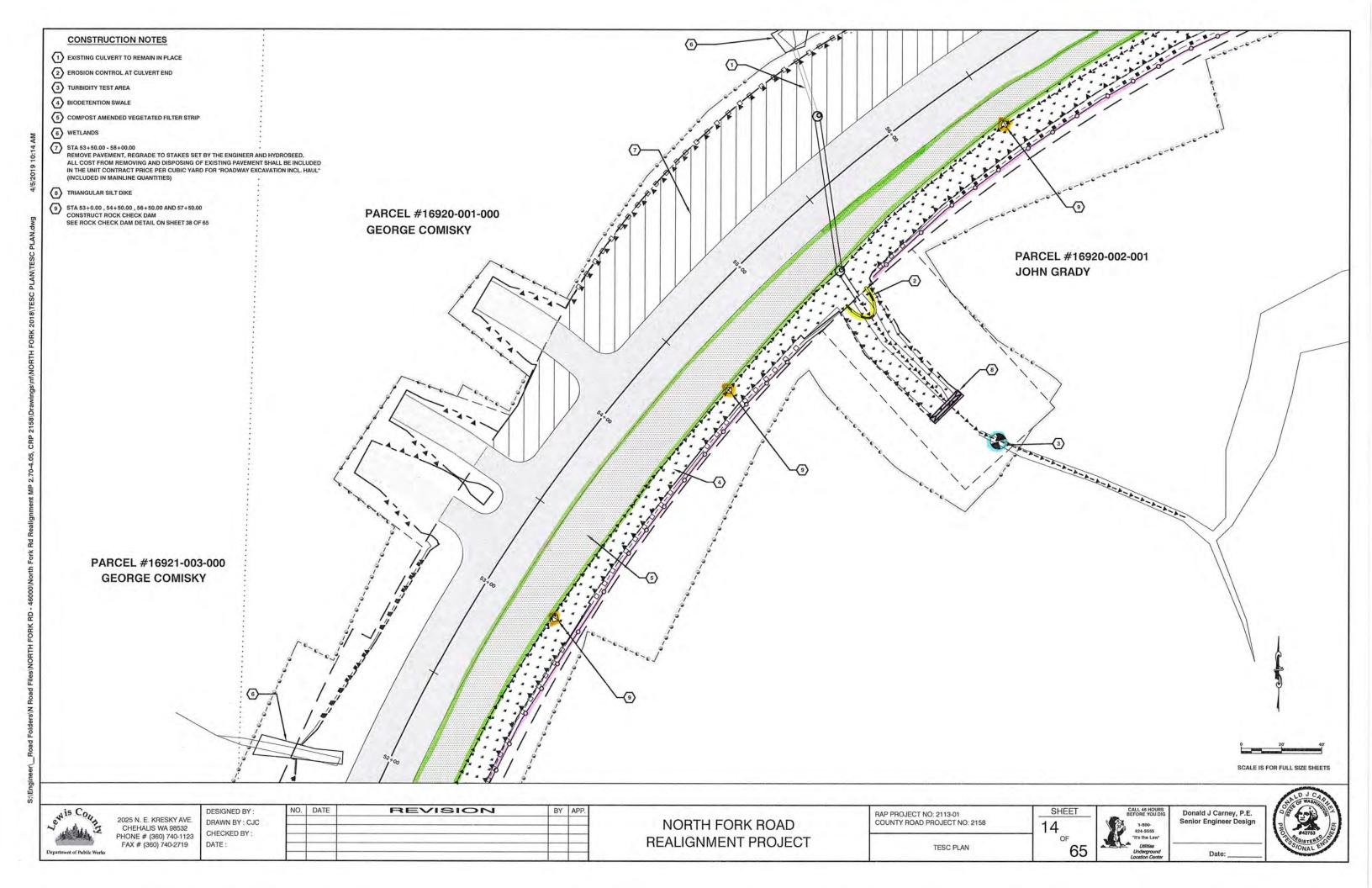
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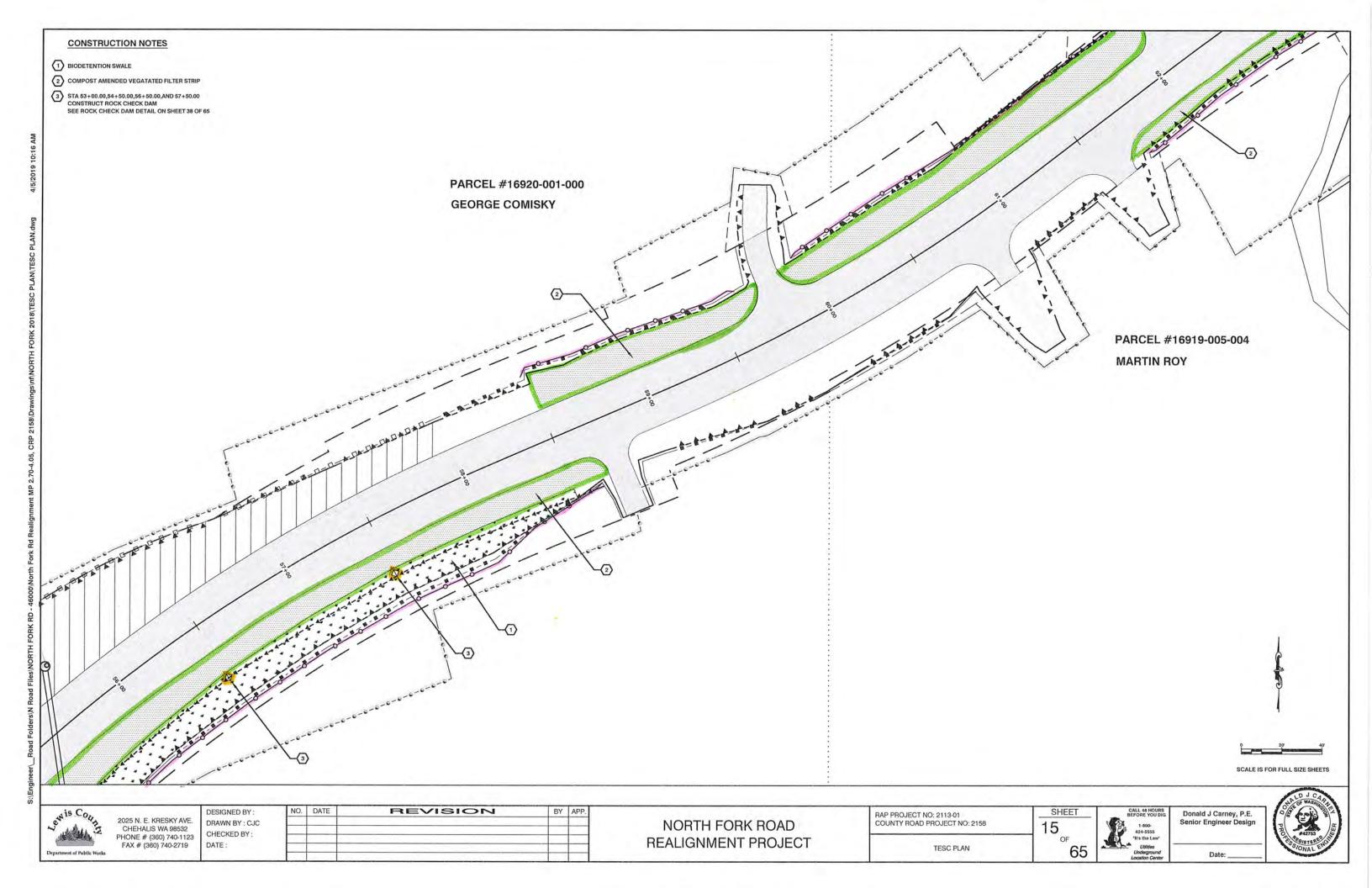
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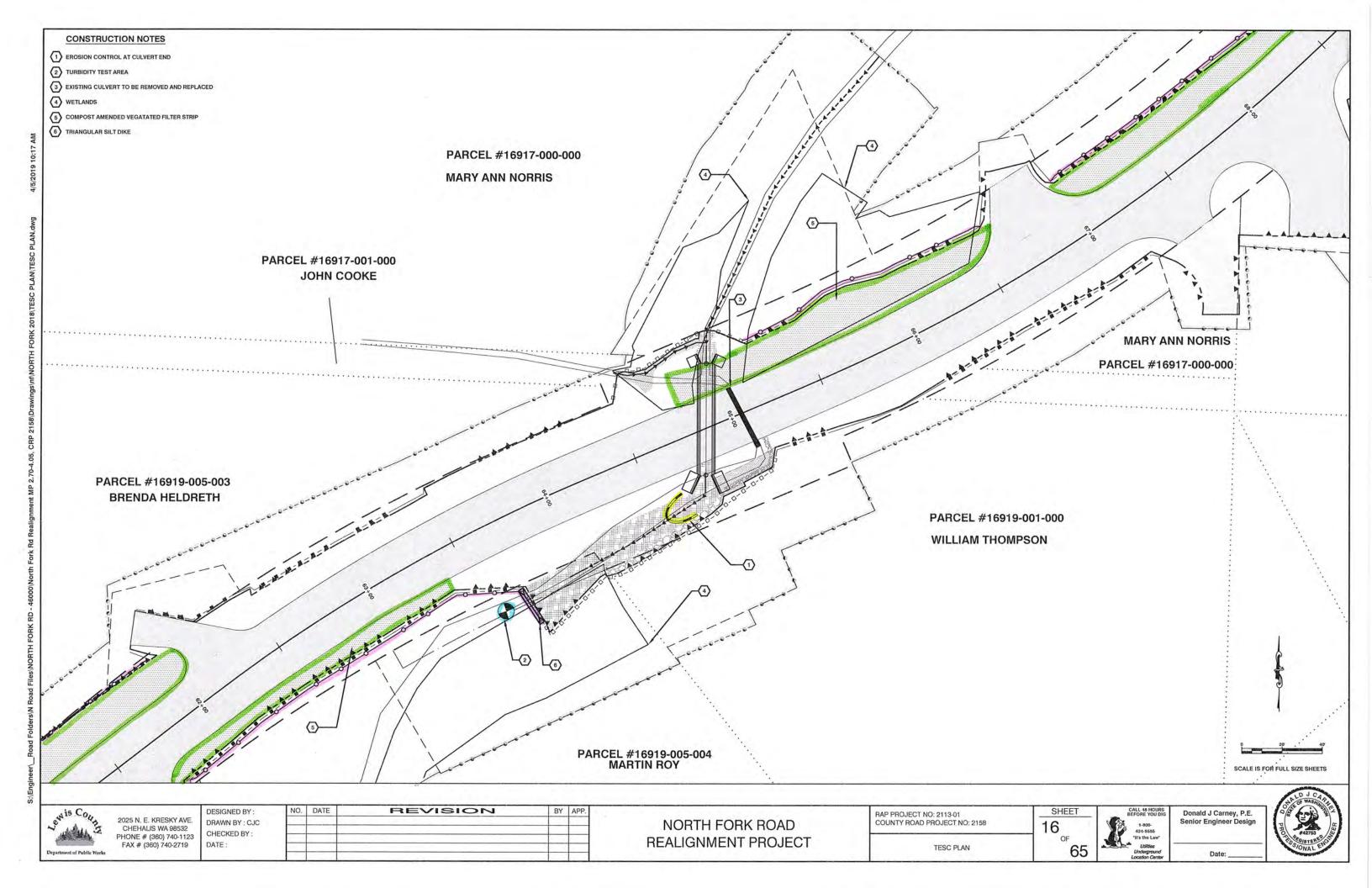


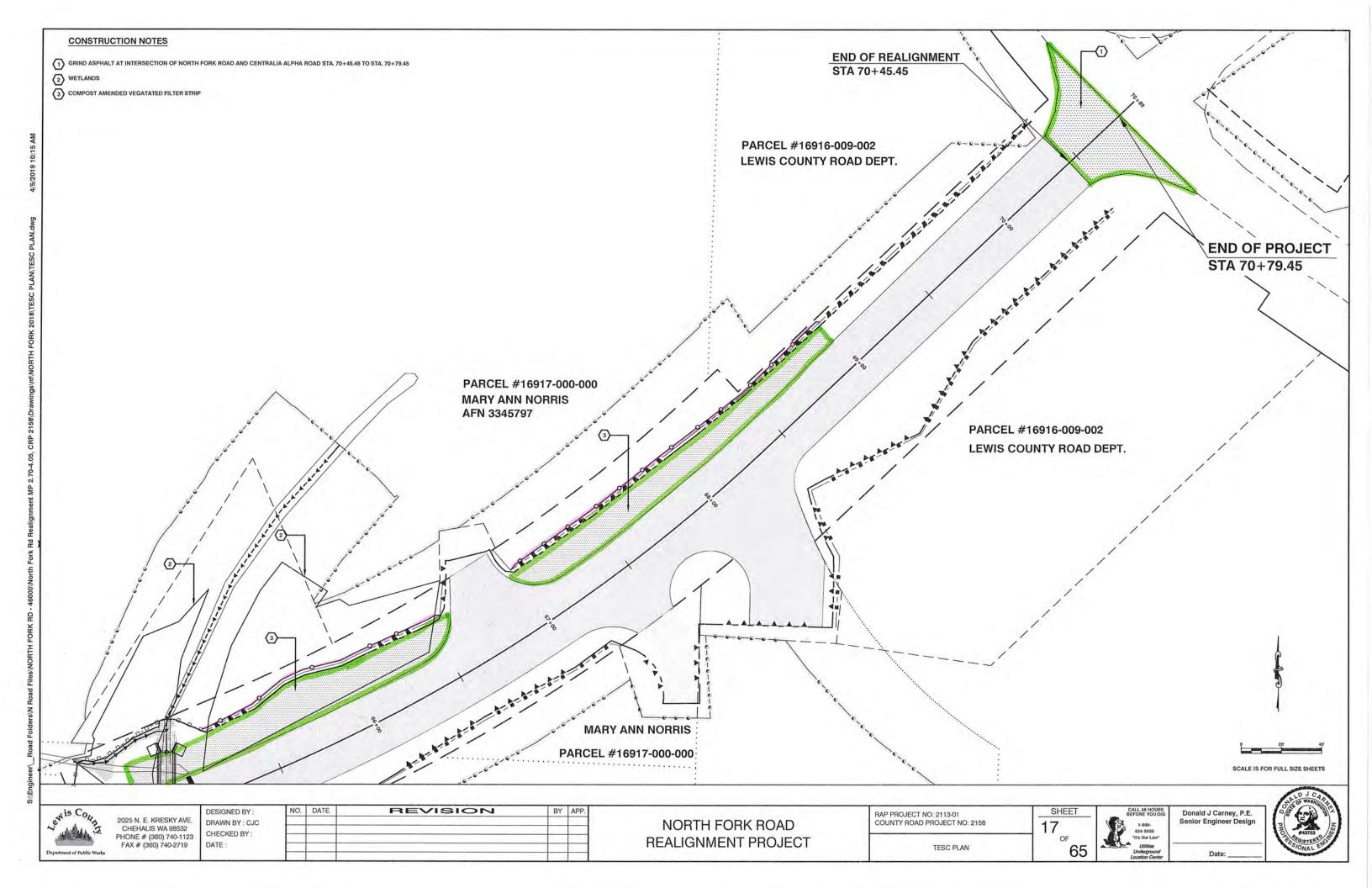












# **B. BMP Details**

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## **BMP C101: Preserving Natural Vegetation**

## **Purpose**

The purpose of preserving natural vegetation is to reduce erosion wherever practicable. Limiting site disturbance is the single most effective method for reducing erosion. For example, conifers can hold up to about 50 percent of all rain that falls during a storm. Up to 20-30 percent of this rain may never reach the ground but is taken up by the tree or evaporates. Another benefit is that the rain held in the tree can be released slowly to the ground after the storm.

### Conditions of Use

Natural vegetation should be preserved on steep slopes, near perennial and intermittent watercourses or swales, and on building sites in wooded areas.

- As required by local governments.
- Phase construction to preserve natural vegetation on the project site for as long as possible during the construction period.

## **Design and Installation Specifications**

Natural vegetation can be preserved in natural clumps or as individual trees, shrubs and vines.

The preservation of individual plants is more difficult because heavy equipment is generally used to remove unwanted vegetation. The points to remember when attempting to save individual plants are:

- Is the plant worth saving? Consider the location, species, size, age, vigor, and the
  work involved. Local governments may also have ordinances to save natural vegetation and trees.
- Fence or clearly mark areas around trees that are to be saved. It is preferable to keep ground disturbance away from the trees at least as far out as the dripline.

Plants need protection from three kinds of injuries:

- Construction Equipment This injury can be above or below the ground level.
   Damage results from scarring, cutting of roots, and compaction of the soil. Placing a fenced buffer zone around plants to be saved prior to construction can prevent construction equipment injuries.
- Grade Changes Changing the natural ground level will alter grades, which affects
  the plant's ability to obtain the necessary air, water, and minerals. Minor fills usually do not cause problems although sensitivity between species does vary and
  should be checked. Trees can typically tolerate fill of 6 inches or less. For shrubs

and other plants, the fill should be less.

When there are major changes in grade, it may become necessary to supply air to the roots of plants. This can be done by placing a layer of gravel and a tile system over the roots before the fill is made. A tile system protects a tree from a raised grade. The tile system should be laid out on the original grade leading from a dry well around the tree trunk. The system should then be covered with small stones to allow air to circulate over the root area.

Lowering the natural ground level can seriously damage trees and shrubs. The highest percentage of the plant roots are in the upper 12 inches of the soil and cuts of only 2-3 inches can cause serious injury. To protect the roots it may be necessary to terrace the immediate area around the plants to be saved. If roots are exposed, construction of retaining walls may be needed to keep the soil in place. Plants can also be preserved by leaving them on an undisturbed, gently sloping mound. To increase the chances for survival, it is best to limit grade changes and other soil disturbances to areas outside the dripline of the plant.

- Excavations Protect trees and other plants when excavating for drainfields,
  power, water, and sewer lines. Where possible, the trenches should be routed
  around trees and large shrubs. When this is not possible, it is best to tunnel under
  them. This can be done with hand tools or with power augers. If it is not possible to
  route the trench around plants to be saved, then the following should be observed:
  - Cut as few roots as possible. When you have to cut, cut clean. Paint cut root ends with a wood dressing like asphalt base paint if roots will be exposed for more than 24-hours.
  - Backfill the trench as soon as possible.
  - Tunnel beneath root systems as close to the center of the main trunk to preserve most of the important feeder roots.

Some problems that can be encountered with a few specific trees are:

- Maple, Dogwood, Red alder, Western hemlock, Western red cedar, and Douglas fir do not readily adjust to changes in environment and special care should be taken to protect these trees.
- The windthrow hazard of Pacific silver fir and madrona is high, while that of
  Western hemlock is moderate. The danger of windthrow increases where dense
  stands have been thinned. Other species (unless they are on shallow, wet soils
  less than 20 inches deep) have a low windthrow hazard.
- Cottonwoods, maples, and willows have water-seeking roots. These can cause trouble in sewer lines and infiltration fields. On the other hand, they thrive in high moisture conditions that other trees would not.
- Thinning operations in pure or mixed stands of Grand fir, Pacific silver fir, Noble fir,

Sitka spruce, Western red cedar, Western hemlock, Pacific dogwood, and Red alder can cause serious disease problems. Disease can become established through damaged limbs, trunks, roots, and freshly cut stumps. Diseased and weakened trees are also susceptible to insect attack.

### Maintenance Standards

Inspect flagged and/or fenced areas regularly to make sure flagging or fencing has not been removed or damaged. If the flagging or fencing has been damaged or visibility reduced, it shall be repaired or replaced immediately and visibility restored.

If tree roots have been exposed or injured, "prune" cleanly with an appropriate pruning saw or loppers directly above the damaged roots and recover with native soils.
 Treatment of sap flowing trees (fir, hemlock, pine, soft maples) is not advised as sap forms a natural healing barrier.

### **BMP C102: Buffer Zones**

## **Purpose**

Creation of an undisturbed area or strip of natural vegetation or an established suitable planting that will provide a living filter to reduce soil erosion and runoff velocities.

### Conditions of Use

Natural buffer zones are used along streams, wetlands and other bodies of water that need protection from erosion and sedimentation. Vegetative buffer zones can be used to protect natural swales and can be incorporated into the natural landscaping of an area.

Critical-areas buffer zones should not be used as sediment treatment areas. These areas shall remain completely undisturbed. The local permitting authority may expand the buffer widths temporarily to allow the use of the expanded area for removal of sediment.

## Design and Installation Specifications

- Preserving natural vegetation or plantings in clumps, blocks, or strips is generally the easiest and most successful method.
- Leave all unstable steep slopes in natural vegetation.
- Mark clearing limits and keep all equipment and construction debris out of the natural areas and buffer zones. Steel construction fencing is the most effective method in protecting sensitive areas and buffers. Alternatively, wire-backed silt fence on steel posts is marginally effective. Flagging alone is typically not effective.
- Keep all excavations outside the dripline of trees and shrubs.
- Do not push debris or extra soil into the buffer zone area because it will cause

- Note that, in some cases (consider fish trapping or maintenance needs), check dams can remain as permanent BMPs with very minor regrading.
- Straw wattles do not work well as check dams because they are designed to be trenched in to prevent flows from going under them. Do not trench anything into a conveyance area because those areas will become vulnerable to erosion if concentrated flows develop.
- As sediment builds up behind a check dam, the water will want to flow over or around the check dam causing erosion. Inspect check dams often and maintain as needed to ensure continued function.
- Never use silt fence to create a check dam in areas with concentrated flows.

#### 5-1.1.5 COMPOST SOCKS

Standard Specifications 8-01.3(12) – Compost Sock 9-14.5(6) – Compost Sock

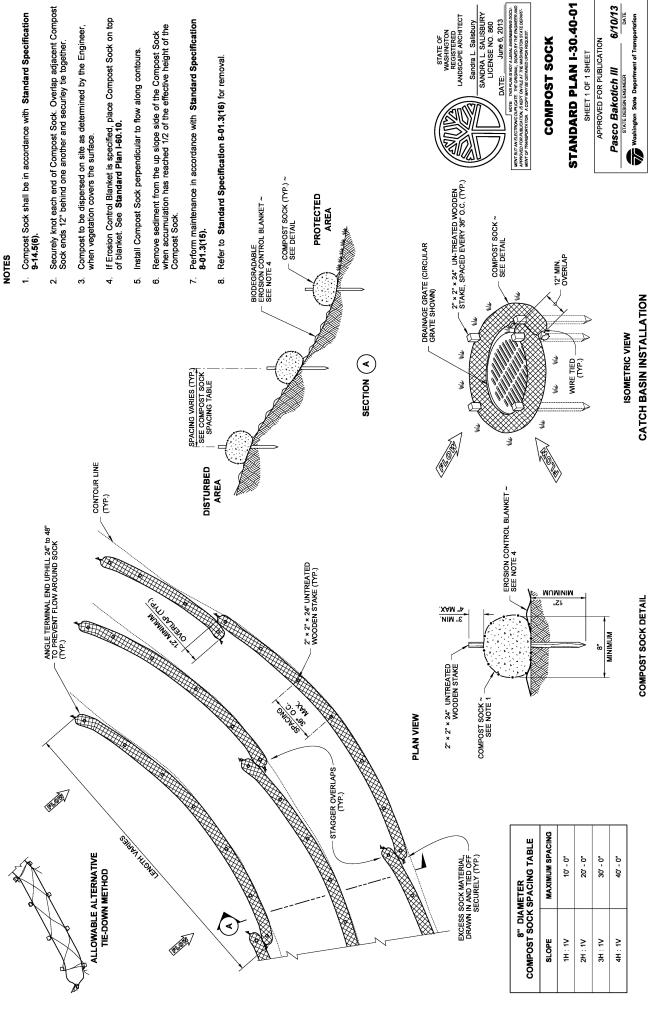
Standard Plan I-30.40 – Compost Sock

### **Purpose**

The main purpose of a compost sock is to provide sediment control prior to a discharge or to slow the velocity of flows on a slope. Compost socks can prevent concentrated flows from developing by dissipating energy and dispersing flows on a slope or along the edge of pavement.

#### Additional Information

- Do not trench in compost socks like silt fence or wattles.
- Use compost socks in place of silt fence in some areas where low stormwater flows are expected. They are especially useful near sensitive areas where soil disturbance should be kept to a minimum.
- Note that compost socks work well as check dams because they become very heavy when wetted and make a good connection with conveyance bottoms.
- Install compost socks perpendicular to flows and parallel to slope contours.
- Note that the compost in the sock provides soil nutrients that help establish vegetation.



## **BMP C107: Construction Road/Parking Area Stabilization**

### **Purpose**

Stabilizing subdivision roads, parking areas, and other on-site vehicle transportation routes immediately after grading reduces erosion caused by construction traffic or runoff.

#### Conditions of Use

Roads or parking areas shall be stabilized wherever they are constructed, whether permanent or temporary, for use by construction traffic.

 High Visibility Fencing (see <u>BMP C103: High Visibility Fence (p.269)</u>) shall be installed, if necessary, to limit the access of vehicles to only those roads and parking areas that are stabilized.

## **Design and Installation Specifications**

- On areas that will receive asphalt as part of the project, install the first lift as soon as possible.
- A 6-inch depth of 2- to 4-inch crushed rock, gravel base, or crushed surfacing base course shall be applied immediately after grading or utility installation. A 4-inch course of asphalt treated base (ATB) may also be used, or the road/parking area may be paved. It may also be possible to use cement or calcium chloride for soil stabilization. If cement or cement kiln dust is used for roadbase stabilization, pH monitoring and BMPs (BMP C252: High pH Neutralization Using CO2 (p.409) and BMP C253: pH Control for High pH Water (p.412)) are necessary to evaluate and minimize the effects on stormwater. If the area will not be used for permanent roads, parking areas, or structures, a 6-inch depth of hog fuel may also be used, but this is likely to require more maintenance. Whenever possible, construction roads and parking areas shall be placed on a firm, compacted subgrade.
- Temporary road gradients shall not exceed 15 percent. Roadways shall be carefully graded to drain. Drainage ditches shall be provided on each side of the roadway in the case of a crowned section, or on one side in the case of a superelevated section. Drainage ditches shall be directed to a sediment control BMP.
- Rather than relying on ditches, it may also be possible to grade the road so that runoff sheet-flows into a heavily vegetated area with a well-developed topsoil. Land-scaped areas are not adequate. If this area has at least 50 feet of vegetation that water can flow through, then it is generally preferable to use the vegetation to treat runoff, rather than a sediment pond or trap. The 50 feet shall not include wetlands or their buffers. If runoff is allowed to sheetflow through adjacent vegetated areas, it is vital to design the roadways and parking areas so that no concentrated runoff is created.

 Storm drain inlets shall be protected to prevent sediment-laden water entering the storm drain system (see <u>BMP C220</u>: <u>Storm Drain Inlet Protection (p.357)</u>).

### Maintenance Standards

Inspect stabilized areas regularly, especially after large storm events.

Crushed rock, gravel base, etc., shall be added as required to maintain a stable driving surface and to stabilize any areas that have eroded.

Following construction, these areas shall be restored to pre-construction condition or better to prevent future erosion.

Perform street cleaning at the end of each day or more often if necessary.

## **BMP C120: Temporary and Permanent Seeding**

### **Purpose**

Seeding reduces erosion by stabilizing exposed soils. A well-established vegetative cover is one of the most effective methods of reducing erosion.

#### Conditions of Use

Use seeding throughout the project on disturbed areas that have reached final grade or that will remain unworked for more than 30 days.

The optimum seeding windows for western Washington are April 1 through June 30 and September 1 through October 1.

Between July 1 and August 30 seeding requires irrigation until 75 percent grass cover is established.

Between October 1 and March 30 seeding requires a cover of mulch with straw or an erosion control blanket until 75 percent grass cover is established.

Review all disturbed areas in late August to early September and complete all seeding by the end of September. Otherwise, vegetation will not establish itself enough to provide more than average protection.

- Mulch is required at all times for seeding because it protects seeds from heat, moisture loss, and transport due to runoff. Mulch can be applied on top of the seed or simultaneously by hydroseeding. See <a href="BMP C121: Mulching (p.284">BMP C121: Mulching (p.284)</a>) for specifications.
- Seed and mulch, all disturbed areas not otherwise vegetated at final site stabilization. Final stabilization means the completion of all soil disturbing activities at the site and the establishment of a permanent vegetative cover, or equivalent per-

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manent stabilization measures (such as pavement, riprap, gabions, or geotextiles) which will prevent erosion.

## Design and Installation Specifications

Seed retention/detention ponds as required.

Install channels intended for vegetation before starting major earthwork and hydroseed with a Bonded Fiber Matrix. For vegetated channels that will have high flows, install erosion control blankets over hydroseed. Before allowing water to flow in vegetated channels, establish 75 percent vegetation cover. If vegetated channels cannot be established by seed before water flow; install sod in the channel bottom—over hydromulch and erosion control blankets.

- Confirm the installation of all required surface water control measures to prevent seed from washing away.
- Hydroseed applications shall include a minimum of 1,500 pounds per acre of mulch with 3 percent tackifier. See BMP C121: Mulching (p.284) for specifications.
- Areas that will have seeding only and not landscaping may need compost or mealbased mulch included in the hydroseed in order to establish vegetation. Re-install native topsoil on the disturbed soil surface before application.
- When installing seed via hydroseeding operations, only about 1/3 of the seed actually ends up in contact with the soil surface. This reduces the ability to establish a good stand of grass quickly. To overcome this, consider increasing seed quantities by up to 50 percent.
- Enhance vegetation establishment by dividing the hydromulch operation into two phases:
  - 1. Phase 1- Install all seed and fertilizer with 25-30 percent mulch and tackifier onto soil in the first lift.
  - 2. Phase 2- Install the rest of the mulch and tackifier over the first lift.

Or, enhance vegetation by:

- 1. Installing the mulch, seed, fertilizer, and tackifier in one lift.
- 2. Spread or blow straw over the top of the hydromulch at a rate of 800-1000 pounds per acre.
- 3. Hold straw in place with a standard tackifier.

Both of these approaches will increase cost moderately but will greatly improve and enhance vegetative establishment. The increased cost may be offset by the reduced need for:

- Irrigation.
- Reapplication of mulch.
- Repair of failed slope surfaces.

This technique works with standard hydromulch (1,500 pounds per acre minimum) and BFM/MBFMs (3,000 pounds per acre minimum).

- Seed may be installed by hand if:
  - Temporary and covered by straw, mulch, or topsoil.
  - Permanent in small areas (usually less than 1 acre) and covered with mulch, topsoil, or erosion blankets.
  - The seed mixes listed in the tables below include recommended mixes for both temporary and permanent seeding.
  - Apply these mixes, with the exception of the wetland mix, at a rate of 120 pounds per acre. This rate can be reduced if soil amendments or slowrelease fertilizers are used.
  - Consult the local suppliers or the local conservation district for their recommendations because the appropriate mix depends on a variety of factors, including location, exposure, soil type, slope, and expected foot traffic. Alternative seed mixes approved by the local authority may be used.
  - Other mixes may be appropriate, depending on the soil type and hydrology of the area.
- <u>Table II-4.1.2 Temporary Erosion Control Seed Mix (p.280)</u> lists the standard mix for areas requiring a temporary vegetative cover.

**Table II-4.1.2 Temporary Erosion Control Seed Mix** 

	% Weight	% Purity	% Germination
Chewings or annual blue grass	40	00	00
Festuca rubra var. commutata or Poa anna		98	90
Perennial rye	<b>E</b> 0	00	00
Lolium perenne	50	98	90
Redtop or colonial bentgrass	E	02	O.F.
Agrostis alba or Agrostis tenuis	5	92	85
White dutch clover	E	00	00
Trifolium repens	5	98	90

 <u>Table II-4.1.3 Landscaping Seed Mix (p.281)</u> lists a recommended mix for landscaping seed.

**Table II-4.1.3 Landscaping Seed Mix** 

	% Weight	% Purity	% Germination
Perennial rye blend	70	98	90
Lolium perenne	7.0	30	30
Chewings and red fescue blend	30	98	90
Festuca rubra var. commutata or Festuca rubra		90	30

• <u>Table II-4.1.4 Low-Growing Turf Seed Mix (p.281)</u> lists a turf seed mix for dry situations where there is no need for watering. This mix requires very little maintenance.

**Table II-4.1.4 Low-Growing Turf Seed Mix** 

	% Weight	% Purity	% Germination
Dwarf tall fescue (several varieties)	45	98	90
Festuca arundinacea var.	45	90	90
Dwarf perennial rye (Barclay)	20	00	00
Lolium perenne var. barclay	30	98	90
Red fescue	20	00	00
Festuca rubra	20	98	90
Colonial bentgrass	_	00	00
Agrostis tenuis	5	98	90

• <u>Table II-4.1.5 Bioswale Seed Mix\* (p.281)</u> lists a mix for bioswales and other intermittently wet areas.

Table II-4.1.5 Bioswale Seed Mix\*

	% Weight	% Purity	% Germination
Tall or meadow fescue			
Festuca arundinacea or Festuca ela- tior	75-80	98	90
Seaside/Creeping bentgrass	10-15	92	85
Agrostis palustris	10-13	92	65
Redtop bentgrass	5-10	90	80
Agrostis alba or Agrostis gigantea	5-10	90	80
* Modified Briargreen, Inc. Hydroseeding Guide Wetlands Seed Mix			

• <u>Table II-4.1.6 Wet Area Seed Mix\* (p.282)</u> lists a low-growing, relatively non-invasive seed mix appropriate for very wet areas that are not regulated wetlands. Apply

this mixture at a rate of 60 pounds per acre. Consult Hydraulic Permit Authority (HPA) for seed mixes if applicable.

Table II-4.1.6 Wet Area Seed Mix\*

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tior				
Seaside/Creeping bentgrass	10-15	98	85	
Agrostis palustris				
Meadow foxtail	10-15	90	80	
Alepocurus pratensis	10-13	30		
Alsike clover	1-6	0.0	00	
Trifolium hybridum	1-6	98	90	
Redtop bentgrass	1-6	92	85	
Agrostis alba	1-0	32	00	
* Modified Briargreen, Inc. Hydroseedi	* Modified Briargreen, Inc. Hydroseeding Guide Wetlands Seed Mix			

• Table II-4.1.7 Meadow Seed Mix (p.282) lists a recommended meadow seed mix for infrequently maintained areas or non-maintained areas where colonization by native plants is desirable. Likely applications include rural road and utility right-of-way. Seeding should take place in September or very early October in order to obtain adequate establishment prior to the winter months. Consider the appropriateness of clover, a fairly invasive species, in the mix. Amending the soil can reduce the need for clover.

**Table II-4.1.7 Meadow Seed Mix** 

	% Weight	% Purity	% Germination
Redtop or Oregon bentgrass	20	00	o.e
Agrostis alba or Agrostis oregonensis		92	85
Red fescue	70	98	90
Festuca rubra	70	90	90
White dutch clover	10	00	00
Trifolium repens	10	98	90

# · Roughening and Rototilling:

• The seedbed should be firm and rough. Roughen all soil no matter what the slope. Track walk slopes before seeding if engineering purposes require

- compaction. Backblading or smoothing of slopes greater than 4H:1V is not allowed if they are to be seeded.
- Restoration-based landscape practices require deeper incorporation than
  that provided by a simple single-pass rototilling treatment. Wherever practical, initially rip the subgrade to improve long-term permeability, infiltration,
  and water inflow qualities. At a minimum, permanent areas shall use soil
  amendments to achieve organic matter and permeability performance
  defined in engineered soil/landscape systems. For systems that are deeper
  than 8 inches complete the rototilling process in multiple lifts, or prepare the
  engineered soil system per specifications and place to achieve the specified
  depth.

#### • Fertilizers:

- Conducting soil tests to determine the exact type and quantity of fertilizer is recommended. This will prevent the over-application of fertilizer.
- Organic matter is the most appropriate form of fertilizer because it provides nutrients (including nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) in the least watersoluble form.
- In general, use 10-4-6 N-P-K (nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium) fertilizer at a
  rate of 90 pounds per acre. Always use slow-release fertilizers because they
  are more efficient and have fewer environmental impacts. Do not add fertilizer to the hydromulch machine, or agitate, more than 20 minutes before
  use. Too much agitation destroys the slow-release coating.
- There are numerous products available that take the place of chemical fertilizers. These include several with seaweed extracts that are beneficial to soil microbes and organisms. If 100 percent cottonseed meal is used as the mulch in hydroseed, chemical fertilizer may not be necessary. Cottonseed meal provides a good source of long-term, slow-release, available nitrogen.

# • Bonded Fiber Matrix and Mechanically Bonded Fiber Matrix:

On steep slopes use Bonded Fiber Matrix (BFM) or Mechanically Bonded
Fiber Matrix (MBFM) products. Apply BFM/MBFM products at a minimum rate
of 3,000 pounds per acre of mulch with approximately 10 percent tackifier.
Achieve a minimum of 95 percent soil coverage during application. Numerous products are available commercially. Installed products per manufacturer's instructions. Most products require 24-36 hours to cure before rainfall and cannot be installed on wet or saturated soils. Generally, products come in 40-50 pound bags and include all necessary ingredients except for seed and fertilizer.

- BFMs and MBFMs provide good alternatives to blankets in most areas requiring vegetation establishment. Advantages over blankets include:
  - BFM and MBFMs do not require surface preparation.
  - Helicopters can assist in installing BFM and MBFMs in remote areas.
  - On slopes steeper than 2.5H:1V, blanket installers may require ropes and harnesses for safety.
  - Installing BFM and MBFMs can save at least \$1,000 per acre compared to blankets.

#### Maintenance Standards

Reseed any seeded areas that fail to establish at least 80 percent cover (100 percent cover for areas that receive sheet or concentrated flows). If reseeding is ineffective, use an alternate method such as sodding, mulching, or nets/blankets. If winter weather prevents adequate grass growth, this time limit may be relaxed at the discretion of the local authority when sensitive areas would otherwise be protected.

- Reseed and protect by mulch any areas that experience erosion after achieving adequate cover. Reseed and protect by mulch any eroded area.
- Supply seeded areas with adequate moisture, but do not water to the extent that it causes runoff.

# Approved as Equivalent

Ecology has approved products as able to meet the requirements of <u>BMP C120: Temporary and Permanent Seeding</u>. The products did not pass through the Technology Assessment Protocol – Ecology (TAPE) process. Local jurisdictions may choose not to accept this product approved as equivalent, or may require additional testing prior to consideration for local use. The products are available for review on Ecology's website at <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/newtech/equivalent.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/newtech/equivalent.html</a>.

# **BMP C121: Mulching**

# **Purpose**

Mulching soils provides immediate temporary protection from erosion. Mulch also enhances plant establishment by conserving moisture, holding fertilizer, seed, and topsoil in place, and moderating soil temperatures. There is an enormous variety of mulches that can be used. This section discusses only the most common types of mulch.

#### Conditions of Use

As a temporary cover measure, mulch should be used:

# **BMP C123: Plastic Covering**

## **Purpose**

Plastic covering provides immediate, short-term erosion protection to slopes and disturbed areas.

#### Conditions of Use

Plastic covering may be used on disturbed areas that require cover measures for less than 30 days, except as stated below.

- Plastic is particularly useful for protecting cut and fill slopes and stockpiles. Note:
   The relatively rapid breakdown of most polyethylene sheeting makes it unsuitable for long-term (greater than six months) applications.
- Due to rapid runoff caused by plastic covering, do not use this method upslope of areas that might be adversely impacted by concentrated runoff. Such areas include steep and/or unstable slopes.
- Plastic sheeting may result in increased runoff volumes and velocities, requiring additional on-site measures to counteract the increases. Creating a trough with wattles or other material can convey clean water away from these areas.
- To prevent undercutting, trench and backfill rolled plastic covering products.
- While plastic is inexpensive to purchase, the added cost of installation, maintenance, removal, and disposal make this an expensive material, up to \$1.50-2.00 per square yard.
- Whenever plastic is used to protect slopes install water collection measures at the base of the slope. These measures include plastic-covered berms, channels, and pipes used to covey clean rainwater away from bare soil and disturbed areas. Do not mix clean runoff from a plastic covered slope with dirty runoff from a project.
- Other uses for plastic include:
  - 1. Temporary ditch liner.
  - 2. Pond liner in temporary sediment pond.
  - 3. Liner for bermed temporary fuel storage area if plastic is not reactive to the type of fuel being stored.
  - 4. Emergency slope protection during heavy rains.
  - 5. Temporary drainpipe ("elephant trunk") used to direct water.

## **Design and Installation Specifications**

- Plastic slope cover must be installed as follows:
  - 1. Run plastic up and down slope, not across slope.
  - 2. Plastic may be installed perpendicular to a slope if the slope length is less than 10 feet.
  - 3. Minimum of 8-inch overlap at seams.
  - 4. On long or wide slopes, or slopes subject to wind, tape all seams.
  - 5. Place plastic into a small (12-inch wide by 6-inch deep) slot trench at the top of the slope and backfill with soil to keep water from flowing underneath.
  - 6. Place sand filled burlap or geotextile bags every 3 to 6 feet along seams and tie them together with twine to hold them in place.
  - Inspect plastic for rips, tears, and open seams regularly and repair immediately. This prevents high velocity runoff from contacting bare soil which causes extreme erosion.
  - 8. Sandbags may be lowered into place tied to ropes. However, all sandbags must be staked in place.
- Plastic sheeting shall have a minimum thickness of 0.06 millimeters.
- If erosion at the toe of a slope is likely, a gravel berm, riprap, or other suitable protection shall be installed at the toe of the slope in order to reduce the velocity of runoff.

### Maintenance Standards

- Torn sheets must be replaced and open seams repaired.
- Completely remove and replace the plastic if it begins to deteriorate due to ultraviolet radiation.
- Completely remove plastic when no longer needed.
- Dispose of old tires used to weight down plastic sheeting appropriately.

# Approved as Equivalent

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- An interceptor dike with gravel outlet and silt fence shall surround all topsoil.
- Within 2 days complete erosion control seeding, or covering stockpiles with clear plastic, or other mulching materials.
- Between May 1 and September 30:
  - An interceptor dike with gravel outlet and silt fence shall surround all topsoil if the stockpile will remain in place for a longer period of time than active construction grading.
  - Within 7 days complete erosion control seeding, or covering stockpiles with clear plastic, or other mulching materials.
- When native topsoil is to be stockpiled and reused the following should apply to ensure that the mycorrhizal bacterial, earthworms, and other beneficial organisms will not be destroyed:
  - 1. Re-install topsoil within 4 to 6 weeks.
  - 2. Do not allow the saturation of topsoil with water.
  - 3. Do not use plastic covering.

#### Maintenance Standards

- Inspect stockpiles regularly, especially after large storm events. Stabilize any areas that have eroded.
- Establish soil quality and depth toward the end of construction and once established, protect from compaction, such as from large machinery use, and from erosion.
- Plant and mulch soil after installation.
- Leave plant debris or its equivalent on the soil surface to replenish organic matter.
- Reduce and adjust, where possible, the use of irrigation, fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides, rather than continuing to implement formerly established practices.

# BMP C126: Polyacrylamide (PAM) for Soil Erosion Protection

# **Purpose**

Polyacrylamide (PAM) is used on construction sites to prevent soil erosion.

Applying PAM to bare soil in advance of a rain event significantly reduces erosion and controls sediment in two ways. First, PAM increases the soil's available pore volume,

thus increasing infiltration through flocculation and reducing the quantity of stormwater runoff. Second, it increases flocculation of suspended particles and aids in their deposition, thus reducing stormwater runoff turbidity and improving water quality.

#### Conditions of Use

PAM shall not be directly applied to water or allowed to enter a water body.

In areas that drain to a sediment pond, PAM can be applied to bare soil under the following conditions:

- During rough grading operations.
- In Staging areas.
- Balanced cut and fill earthwork.
- Haul roads prior to placement of crushed rock surfacing.
- Compacted soil roadbase.
- · Stockpiles.
- After final grade and before paving or final seeding and planting.
- · Pit sites.
- Sites having a winter shut down. In the case of winter shut down, or where soil will remain unworked for several months, PAM should be used together with mulch.

# Design and Installation Specifications

PAM may be applied with water in dissolved form. The preferred application method is the dissolved form.

PAM is to be applied at a maximum rate of 2/3 pound PAM per 1,000 gallons water (80 mg/L) per 1 acre of bare soil. <u>Table II-4.1.9 PAM and Water Application Rates (p.301)</u> can be used to determine the PAM and water application rate for a disturbed soil area. Higher concentrations of PAM **do not** provide any additional effectiveness.

Table II-4.1.9 PAM and Water
Application Rates

Disturbed Area (ac)	PAM (lbs)	Water (gal)
0.50	0.33	500
1.00	0.66	1,000
1.50	1.00	1,500
2.00	1.32	2,000
2.50	1.65	2,500

# Table II-4.1.9 PAM and Water Application Rates (continued)

Disturbed Area (ac)	PAM (lbs)	Water (gal)
3.00	2.00	3,000
3.50	2.33	3,500
4.00	2.65	4,000
4.50	3.00	4,500
5.00	3.33	5,000

#### The Preferred Method:

- Pre-measure the area where PAM is to be applied and calculate the amount of product and water necessary to provide coverage at the specified application rate (2/3 pound PAM/1000 gallons/acre).
- PAM has infinite solubility in water, but dissolves very slowly. Dissolve pre-measured dry granular PAM with a known quantity of clean water in a bucket several hours or overnight. Mechanical mixing will help dissolve the PAM. Always add PAM to water not water to PAM.
- Pre-fill the water truck about 1/8 full with water. The water does not have to be potable, but it must have relatively low turbidity in the range of 20 NTU or less.
- Add PAM /Water mixture to the truck
- Completely fill the water truck to specified volume.
- Spray PAM/Water mixture onto dry soil until the soil surface is uniformly and completely wetted.

#### An Alternate Method:

PAM may also be applied as a powder at the rate of 5 lbs. per acre. This must be applied on a day that is dry. For areas less than 5-10 acres, a hand-held "organ grinder" fertilizer spreader set to the smallest setting will work. Tractor-mounted spreaders will work for larger areas.

The following shall be used for application of powdered PAM:

- Powered PAM shall be used in conjunction with other BMPs and not in place of other BMPs.
- Do not use PAM on a slope that flows directly into a stream or wetland. The stormwater runoff shall pass through a sediment control BMP prior to discharging to surface waters.
- Do not add PAM to water discharging from site.
- When the total drainage area is greater than or equal to 5 acres, PAM treated

areas shall drain to a sediment pond.

- Areas less than 5 acres shall drain to sediment control BMPs, such as a minimum
  of 3 check dams per acre. The total number of check dams used shall be maximized to achieve the greatest amount of settlement of sediment prior to discharging from the site. Each check dam shall be spaced evenly in the drainage
  channel through which stormwater flows are discharged off-site.
- On all sites, the use of silt fence shall be maximized to limit the discharges of sediment from the site.
- All areas not being actively worked shall be covered and protected from rainfall.
   PAM shall not be the only cover BMP used.
- PAM can be applied to wet soil, but dry soil is preferred due to less sediment loss.
- PAM will work when applied to saturated soil but is not as effective as applications to dry or damp soil.
- Keep the granular PAM supply out of the sun. Granular PAM loses its effectiveness in three months after exposure to sunlight and air.
- Proper application and re-application plans are necessary to ensure total effectiveness of PAM usage.
- PAM, combined with water, is very slippery and can be a safety hazard. Care must be taken to prevent spills of PAM powder onto paved surfaces. During an application of PAM, prevent over-spray from reaching pavement as pavement will become slippery. If PAM powder gets on skin or clothing, wipe it off with a rough towel rather than washing with water-this only makes cleanup messier and take longer.
- Some PAMs are more toxic and carcinogenic than others. Only the most environmentally safe PAM products should be used.
  - The specific PAM copolymer formulation must be anionic. Cationic PAM shall not be used in any application because of known aquatic toxicity problems. Only the highest drinking water grade PAM, certified for compliance with ANSI/NSF Standard 60 for drinking water treatment, will be used for soil applications. Recent media attention and high interest in PAM has resulted in some entrepreneurial exploitation of the term "polymer." All PAM are polymers, but not all polymers are PAM, and not all PAM products comply with ANSI/NSF Standard 60. PAM use shall be reviewed and approved by the local permitting authority.
- PAM designated for these uses should be "water soluble" or "linear" or "non-cross-linked". Cross-linked or water absorbent PAM, polymerized in highly acidic (pH<2) conditions, are used to maintain soil moisture content.
- The PAM anionic charge density may vary from 2-30 percent; a value of 18 percent

- is typical. Studies conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/ARS demonstrated that soil stabilization was optimized by using very high molecular weight (12-15 mg/mole), highly anionic (>20% hydrolysis) PAM.
- PAM tackifiers are available and being used in place of guar and alpha plantago.
   Typically, PAM tackifiers should be used at a rate of no more than 0.5-1 lb. per 1000 gallons of water in a hydromulch machine. Some tackifier product instructions say to use at a rate of 3 –5 lbs. per acre, which can be too much. In addition, pump problems can occur at higher rates due to increased viscosity.

## Maintenance Standards

- PAM may be reapplied on actively worked areas after a 48-hour period.
- Reapplication is not required unless PAM treated soil is disturbed or unless turbidity levels show the need for an additional application. If PAM treated soil is left undisturbed a reapplication may be necessary after two months. More PAM applications may be required for steep slopes, silty and clayey soils (USDA Classification Type "C" and "D" soils), long grades, and high precipitation areas. When PAM is applied first to bare soil and then covered with straw, a reapplication may not be necessary for several months.
- Loss of sediment and PAM may be a basis for penalties per <u>RCW 90.48.080</u>.

# **BMP C130: Surface Roughening**

# **Purpose**

Surface roughening aids in the establishment of vegetative cover, reduces runoff velocity, increases infiltration, and provides for sediment trapping through the provision of a rough soil surface. Horizontal depressions are created by operating a tiller or other suitable equipment on the contour or by leaving slopes in a roughened condition by not fine grading them.

Use this BMP in conjunction with other BMPs such as seeding, mulching, or sodding.

### **Conditions for Use**

- All slopes steeper than 3H:1V and greater than 5 vertical feet require surface roughening to a depth of 2 to 4 inches prior to seeding..
- Areas that will not be stabilized immediately may be roughened to reduce runoff velocity until seeding takes place.
- Slopes with a stable rock face do not require roughening.
- Slopes where moving is planned should not be excessively roughened.

## Design and Installation Specifications

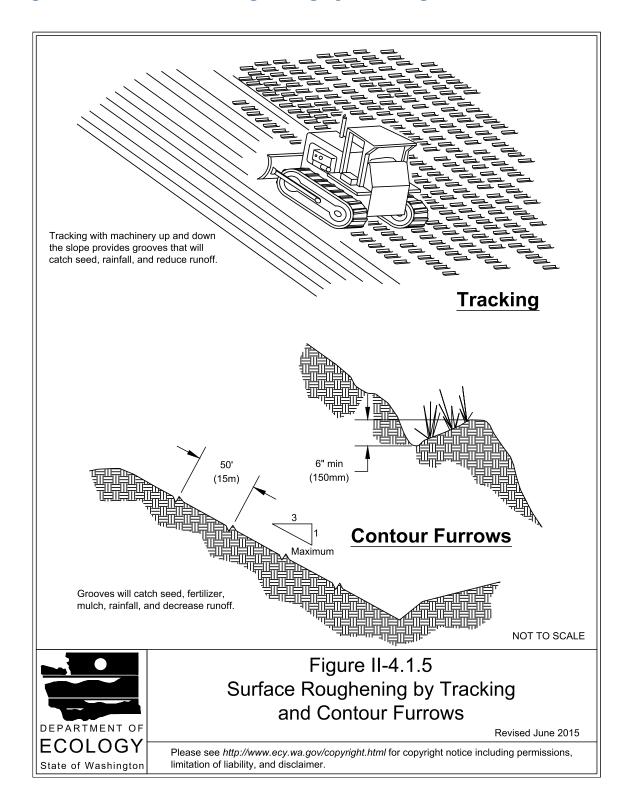
There are different methods for achieving a roughened soil surface on a slope, and the selection of an appropriate method depends upon the type of slope. Roughening methods include stair-step grading, grooving, contour furrows, and tracking. See <a href="Figure II-4.1.5 Surface Roughening by Tracking and Contour Furrows">Figure II-4.1.5 Surface Roughening by Tracking and Contour Furrows</a> (p.306) for tracking and contour furrows. Factors to be considered in choosing a method are slope steepness, mowing requirements, and whether the slope is formed by cutting or filling.

- Disturbed areas that will not require mowing may be stair-step graded, grooved, or left rough after filling.
- Stair-step grading is particularly appropriate in soils containing large amounts of soft rock. Each "step" catches material that sloughs from above, and provides a level site where vegetation can become established. Stairs should be wide enough to work with standard earth moving equipment. Stair steps must be on contour or gullies will form on the slope.
- Areas that will be mowed (these areas should have slopes less steep than 3H:1V)
  may have small furrows left by disking, harrowing, raking, or seed-planting
  machinery operated on the contour.
- Graded areas with slopes steeper than 3H:1V but less than 2H:1V should be roughened before seeding. This can be accomplished in a variety of ways, including "track walking," or driving a crawler tractor up and down the slope, leaving a pattern of cleat imprints parallel to slope contours.
- Tracking is done by operating equipment up and down the slope to leave horizontal depressions in the soil.

#### Maintenance Standards

- Areas that are graded in this manner should be seeded as quickly as possible.
- Regular inspections should be made of the area. If rills appear, they should be regraded and re-seeded immediately.

Figure II-4.1.5 Surface Roughening by Tracking and Contour Furrows



- Lower speed limits. High vehicle speed increases the amount of dust stirred up from unpaved roads and lots.
- Upgrade the road surface strength by improving particle size, shape, and mineral types that make up the surface and base materials.
- Add surface gravel to reduce the source of dust emission. Limit the amount of fine particles (those smaller than .075 mm) to 10 to 20 percent.
- Use geotextile fabrics to increase the strength of new roads or roads undergoing reconstruction.
- Encourage the use of alternate, paved routes, if available.
- Restrict use of paved roadways by tracked vehicles and heavy trucks to prevent damage to road surface and base.
- Apply chemical dust suppressants using the admix method, blending the product with the top few inches of surface material. Suppressants may also be applied as surface treatments.
- Pave unpaved permanent roads and other trafficked areas.
- Use vacuum street sweepers.
- · Remove mud and other dirt promptly so it does not dry and then turn into dust.
- Limit dust-causing work on windy days.
- Contact your local Air Pollution Control Authority for guidance and training on other dust control measures. Compliance with the local Air Pollution Control Authority constitutes compliance with this BMP.

#### Maintenance Standards

Respray area as necessary to keep dust to a minimum.

## **BMP C150: Materials on Hand**

## **Purpose**

Keep quantities of erosion prevention and sediment control materials on the project site at all times to be used for regular maintenance and emergency situations such as unexpected heavy summer rains. Having these materials on-site reduces the time needed to implement BMPs when inspections indicate that existing BMPs are not meeting the Construction SWPPP requirements. In addition, contractors can save money by buying some materials in bulk and storing them at their office or yard.

#### Conditions of Use

- Construction projects of any size or type can benefit from having materials on hand. A small commercial development project could have a roll of plastic and some gravel available for immediate protection of bare soil and temporary berm construction. A large earthwork project, such as highway construction, might have several tons of straw, several rolls of plastic, flexible pipe, sandbags, geotextile fabric and steel "T" posts.
- Materials are stockpiled and readily available before any site clearing, grubbing, or earthwork begins. A large contractor or developer could keep a stockpile of materials that are available for use on several projects.
- If storage space at the project site is at a premium, the contractor could maintain
  the materials at their office or yard. The office or yard must be less than an hour
  from the project site.

## Design and Installation Specifications

Depending on project type, size, complexity, and length, materials and quantities will vary. A good minimum list of items that will cover numerous situations includes:

Material
Clear Plastic, 6 mil
Drainpipe, 6 or 8 inch diameter
Sandbags, filled
Straw Bales for mulching,
Quarry Spalls
Washed Gravel
Geotextile Fabric
Catch Basin Inserts
Steel "T" Posts
Silt fence material
Straw Wattles

# Maintenance Standards

- All materials with the exception of the quarry spalls, steel "T" posts, and gravel should be kept covered and out of both sun and rain.
- Re-stock materials used as needed.

- Hydro-demolition
- Bridge and road surfacing

## Design and Installation Specifications

- Vacuum slurry and cuttings during cutting and surfacing operations.
- Slurry and cuttings shall not remain on permanent concrete or asphalt pavement overnight.
- Slurry and cuttings shall not drain to any natural or constructed drainage conveyance including stormwater systems. This may require temporarily blocking catch basins.
- Dispose of collected slurry and cuttings in a manner that does not violate ground water or surface water quality standards.
- Do not allow process water generated during hydro-demolition, surface roughening or similar operations to drain to any natural or constructed drainage conveyance including stormwater systems. Dispose process water in a manner that does not violate ground water or surface water quality standards.
- Handle and dispose cleaning waste material and demolition debris in a manner that does not cause contamination of water. Dispose of sweeping material from a pick-up sweeper at an appropriate disposal site.

### Maintenance Standards

Continually monitor operations to determine whether slurry, cuttings, or process water could enter waters of the state. If inspections show that a violation of water quality standards could occur, stop operations and immediately implement preventive measures such as berms, barriers, secondary containment, and vacuum trucks.

# BMP C153: Material Delivery, Storage and Containment

## **Purpose**

Prevent, reduce, or eliminate the discharge of pollutants to the stormwater system or watercourses from material delivery and storage. Minimize the storage of hazardous materials on-site, store materials in a designated area, and install secondary containment.

#### Conditions of Use

These procedures are suitable for use at all construction sites with delivery and storage of the following materials:

- Petroleum products such as fuel, oil and grease
- Soil stabilizers and binders (e.g., Polyacrylamide)
- Fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides
- Detergents
- Asphalt and concrete compounds
- Hazardous chemicals such as acids, lime, adhesives, paints, solvents, and curing compounds
- Any other material that may be detrimental if released to the environment

## Design and Installation Specifications

## The following steps should be taken to minimize risk:

- Temporary storage area should be located away from vehicular traffic, near the construction entrance(s), and away from waterways or storm drains.
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) should be supplied for all materials stored.
   Chemicals should be kept in their original labeled containers.
- Hazardous material storage on-site should be minimized.
- Hazardous materials should be handled as infrequently as possible.
- During the wet weather season (Oct 1 April 30), consider storing materials in a covered area.
- Materials should be stored in secondary containments, such as earthen dike, horse trough, or even a children's wading pool for non-reactive materials such as detergents, oil, grease, and paints. Small amounts of material may be secondarily contained in "bus boy" trays or concrete mixing trays.
- Do not store chemicals, drums, or bagged materials directly on the ground. Place these items on a pallet and, when possible, and within secondary containment.
- If drums must be kept uncovered, store them at a slight angle to reduce ponding of rainwater on the lids to reduce corrosion. Domed plastic covers are inexpensive and snap to the top of drums, preventing water from collecting.

# **Material Storage Areas and Secondary Containment Practices:**

- Liquids, petroleum products, and substances listed in 40 CFR Parts 110, 117, or 302 shall be stored in approved containers and drums and shall not be overfilled. Containers and drums shall be stored in temporary secondary containment facilities.
- Temporary secondary containment facilities shall provide for a spill containment

volume able to contain 10% of the total enclosed container volume of all containers, or 110% of the capacity of the largest container within its boundary, whichever is greater.

- Secondary containment facilities shall be impervious to the materials stored therein for a minimum contact time of 72 hours.
- Secondary containment facilities shall be maintained free of accumulated rainwater and spills. In the event of spills or leaks, accumulated rainwater and spills shall be collected and placed into drums. These liquids shall be handled as hazardous waste unless testing determines them to be non-hazardous.
- Sufficient separation should be provided between stored containers to allow for spill cleanup and emergency response access.
- During the wet weather season (Oct 1 April 30), each secondary containment facility shall be covered during non-working days, prior to and during rain events.
- Keep material storage areas clean, organized and equipped with an ample supply of appropriate spill clean-up material (spill kit).
- The spill kit should include, at a minimum:
  - 1-Water Resistant Nylon Bag
  - 3-Oil Absorbent Socks 3"x 4"
  - 2-Oil Absorbent Socks 3"x 10"
  - 12-Oil Absorbent Pads 17"x19"
  - 1-Pair Splash Resistant Goggles
  - 3-Pair Nitrile Gloves
  - 10-Disposable Bags with Ties
  - Instructions

## **BMP C154: Concrete Washout Area**

## **Purpose**

Prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants to stormwater from concrete waste by conducting washout off-site, or performing on-site washout in a designated area to prevent pollutants from entering surface waters or ground water.

#### Conditions of Use

Concrete washout area best management practices are implemented on construction projects where:

## **BMP C160: Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead**

## **Purpose**

The project proponent designates at least one person as the responsible representative in charge of erosion and sediment control (ESC), and water quality protection. The designated person shall be the Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead (CESCL) who is responsible for ensuring compliance with all local, state, and federal erosion and sediment control and water quality requirements.

#### Conditions of Use

A CESCL shall be made available on projects one acre or larger that discharge stormwater to surface waters of the state. Sites less than one acre may have a person without CESCL certification conduct inspections; sampling is not required on sites that disturb less than an acre.

- The CESCL shall:
  - Have a current certificate proving attendance in an erosion and sediment control training course that meets the minimum ESC training and certification requirements established by Ecology (see details below).
    - Ecology will maintain a list of ESC training and certification providers at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/cescl.html

#### OR

 Be a Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control (CPESC); for additional information go to: <a href="http://www.envirocertintl.org/cpesc/">http://www.envirocertintl.org/cpesc/</a>

# **Specifications**

- Certification shall remain valid for three years.
- The CESCL shall have authority to act on behalf of the contractor or developer and shall be available, or on-call, 24 hours per day throughout the period of construction.
- The Construction SWPPP shall include the name, telephone number, fax number, and address of the designated CESCL.
- A CESCL may provide inspection and compliance services for multiple construction projects in the same geographic region.

Duties and responsibilities of the CESCL shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- Maintaining permit file on site at all times which includes the Construction SWPPP and any associated permits and plans.
- Directing BMP installation, inspection, maintenance, modification, and removal.
- Updating all project drawings and the Construction SWPPP with changes made.
- Completing any sampling requirements including reporting results using WebDMR.
- Keeping daily logs, and inspection reports. Inspection reports should include:
  - Inspection date/time.
  - Weather information; general conditions during inspection and approximate amount of precipitation since the last inspection.
  - A summary or list of all BMPs implemented, including observations of all erosion/sediment control structures or practices. The following shall be noted:
    - 1. Locations of BMPs inspected.
    - 2. Locations of BMPs that need maintenance.
    - 3. Locations of BMPs that failed to operate as designed or intended.
    - 4. Locations of where additional or different BMPs are required.
  - Visual monitoring results, including a description of discharged stormwater.
     The presence of suspended sediment, turbid water, discoloration, and oil sheen shall be noted, as applicable.
  - Any water quality monitoring performed during inspection.
  - General comments and notes, including a brief description of any BMP repairs, maintenance or installations made as a result of the inspection.
- Facilitate, participate in, and take corrective actions resulting from inspections performed by outside agencies or the owner.

# **BMP C162: Scheduling**

# **Purpose**

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planned for the project. This type of schedule guides the contractor on work to be done before other work is started so that serious erosion and sedimentation problems can be avoided.

Following a specified work schedule that coordinates the timing of land-disturbing activities and the installation of control measures is perhaps the most cost-effective way of controlling erosion during construction. The removal of surface ground cover leaves a site vulnerable to accelerated erosion. Construction procedures that limit land clearing provide timely installation of erosion and sedimentation controls, and restore protective cover quickly can significantly reduce the erosion potential of a site.

## **Design Considerations**

- Minimize construction during rainy periods.
- Schedule projects to disturb only small portions of the site at any one time. Complete grading as soon as possible. Immediately stabilize the disturbed portion before grading the next portion. Practice staged seeding in order to revegetate cut and fill slopes as the work progresses.

# **II-4.2 Runoff Conveyance and Treatment BMPs**

This section contains the standards and specifications for Runoff Conveyance and Treatment BMPs. <u>Table II-4.2.1 Runoff Conveyance and Treatment BMPs by SWPPP Element (p.327)</u>, below, shows the relationship of the BMPs in <u>II-4.2 Runoff Conveyance and Treatment BMPs</u> to the Construction Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Elements described in <u>II-3.3.3 Step 3 - Construction SWPPP Development and Implementation (p.236)</u>.

Table II-4.2.1 Runoff Conveyance and Treatment BMPs by SWPPP Element

BMP or Ele- ment Name	ment	iment	Ele-	ment #7 Pro- tect	Element #8 Stab- ilize Chan- nels and Out- lets	troi Poi-	 Element #13 Protect Low Impact Devel- opment
BMP C200: Interceptor Dike and Swale (p.331)			<b>✓</b>				✓

- Side Slope: 2H:1V or flatter.
- Grade: Maximum 5 percent, with positive drainage to a suitable outlet (such as a sediment pond).
- Stabilization: Seed as per <u>BMP C120: Temporary and Permanent Seeding (p.278)</u>, or <u>BMP C202: Channel Lining (p.338)</u>, 12 inches thick riprap pressed into the bank and extending at least 8 inches vertical from the bottom.

Inspect diversion dikes and interceptor swales once a week and after every rainfall. Immediately remove sediment from the flow area.

Damage caused by construction traffic or other activity must be repaired before the end of each working day.

Check outlets and make timely repairs as needed to avoid gully formation. When the area below the temporary diversion dike is permanently stabilized, remove the dike and fill and stabilize the channel to blend with the natural surface.

## **BMP C201: Grass-Lined Channels**

## **Purpose**

To provide a channel with a vegetative lining for conveyance of runoff. See <u>Figure II-4.2.1 Typical Grass-Lined Channels</u> (p.336) for typical grass-lined channels.

## **Conditions of Use**

This practice applies to construction sites where concentrated runoff needs to be contained to prevent erosion or flooding.

- When a vegetative lining can provide sufficient stability for the channel cross section and at lower velocities of water (normally dependent on grade). This means that the channel slopes are generally less than 5 percent and space is available for a relatively large cross section.
- Typical uses include roadside ditches, channels at property boundaries, outlets for diversions, and other channels and drainage ditches in low areas.
- Channels that will be vegetated should be installed before major earthwork and hydroseeded with a bonded fiber matrix (BFM). The vegetation should be well established (i.e., 75 percent cover) before water is allowed to flow in the ditch. With channels that will have high flows, erosion control blankets should be installed over the hydroseed. If vegetation cannot be established from seed before water is allowed in the ditch, sod should be installed in the bottom of the ditch in lieu of hydromulch and blankets.

## **Design and Installation Specifications**

Locate the channel where it can conform to the topography and other features such as roads.

- Locate them to use natural drainage systems to the greatest extent possible.
- Avoid sharp changes in alignment or bends and changes in grade.
- Do not reshape the landscape to fit the drainage channel.
- The maximum design velocity shall be based on soil conditions, type of vegetation, and method of revegetation, but at no times shall velocity exceed 5 feet/second. The channel shall not be overtopped by the peak volumetric flow rate calculated using a 10-minute time step from a 10-year, 24-hour storm, assuming a Type 1A rainfall distribution. Alternatively, use 1.6 times the 10-year, 1-hour flow indicated by an approved continuous runoff model to determine a flow rate which the channel must contain.
- Where the grass-lined channel will also function as a permanent stormwater conveyance facility, consult the drainage conveyance requirements of the local government with jurisdiction.
- An established grass or vegetated lining is required before the channel can be used to convey stormwater, unless stabilized with nets or blankets.
- If design velocity of a channel to be vegetated by seeding exceeds 2 ft/sec, a temporary channel liner is required. Geotextile or special mulch protection such as fiberglass roving or straw and netting provides stability until the vegetation is fully established. See Figure II-4.2.2 Temporary Channel Liners (p.337).
- Check dams shall be removed when the grass has matured sufficiently to protect
  the ditch or swale unless the slope of the swale is greater than 4 percent. The area
  beneath the check dams shall be seeded and mulched immediately after dam
  removal.
- If vegetation is established by sodding, the permissible velocity for established vegetation may be used and no temporary liner is needed.
- Do not subject grass-lined channel to sedimentation from disturbed areas. Use sediment-trapping BMPs upstream of the channel.
- V-shaped grass channels generally apply where the quantity of water is small, such as in short reaches along roadsides. The V-shaped cross section is least desirable because it is difficult to stabilize the bottom where velocities may be high.
- Trapezoidal grass channels are used where runoff volumes are large and slope is low so that velocities are nonerosive to vegetated linings. (Note: it is difficult to

construct small parabolic shaped channels.)

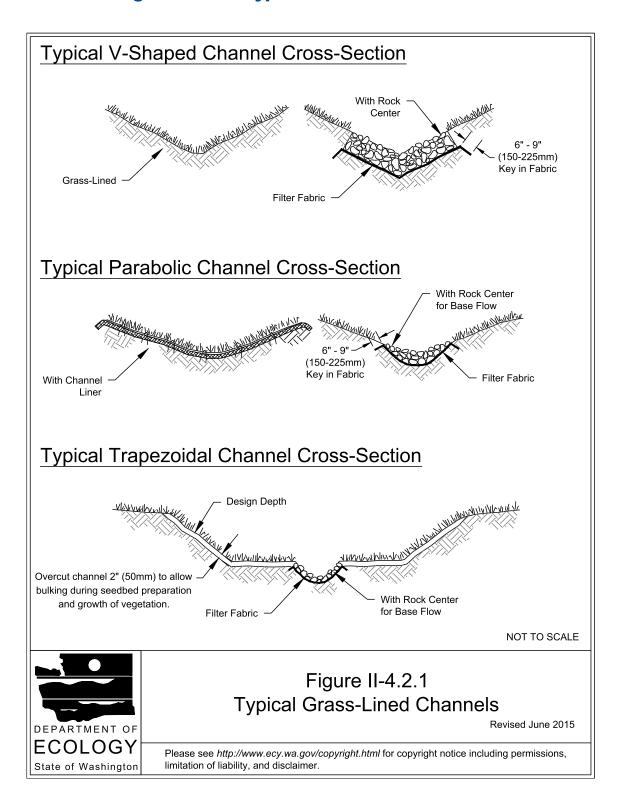
- Subsurface drainage, or riprap channel bottoms, may be necessary on sites that
  are subject to prolonged wet conditions due to long duration flows or a high water
  table.
- Provide outlet protection at culvert ends and at channel intersections.
- Grass channels, at a minimum, should carry peak runoff for temporary construction drainage facilities from the 10-year, 24-hour storm without eroding. Where flood hazard exists, increase the capacity according to the potential damage.
- Grassed channel side slopes generally are constructed 3H:1V or flatter to aid in the establishment of vegetation and for maintenance.
- Construct channels a minimum of 0.2 foot larger around the periphery to allow for soil bulking during seedbed preparations and sod buildup.

#### Maintenance Standards

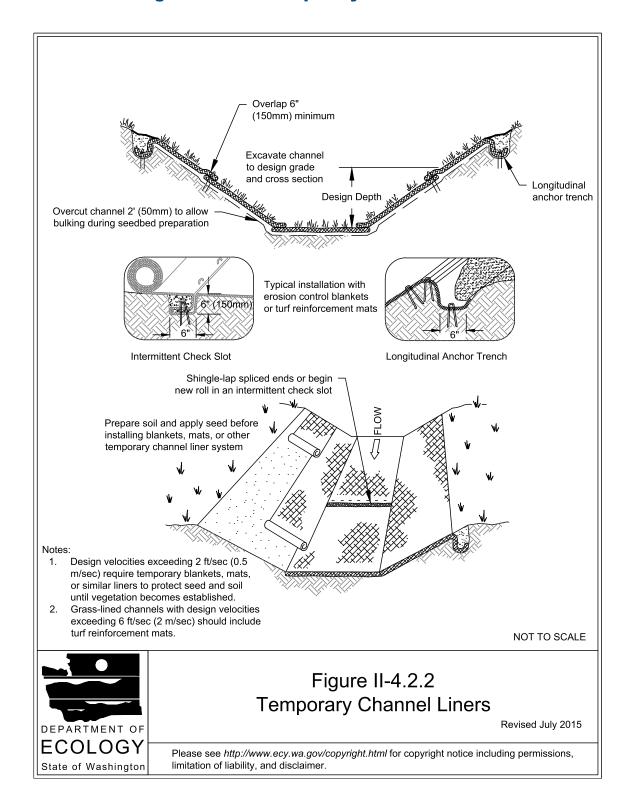
During the establishment period, check grass-lined channels after every rainfall.

- After grass is established, periodically check the channel; check it after every heavy rainfall event. Immediately make repairs.
- It is particularly important to check the channel outlet and all road crossings for bank stability and evidence of piping or scour holes.
- Remove all significant sediment accumulations to maintain the designed carrying capacity. Keep the grass in a healthy, vigorous condition at all times, since it is the primary erosion protection for the channel.

**Figure II-4.2.1 Typical Grass-Lined Channels** 



**Figure II-4.2.2 Temporary Channel Liners** 



## **BMP C207: Check Dams**

## **Purpose**

Construction of small dams across a swale or ditch reduces the velocity of concentrated flow and dissipates energy at the check dam.

#### Conditions of Use

Where temporary channels or permanent channels are not yet vegetated, channel lining is infeasible, and/or velocity checks are required.

- Check dams may not be placed in streams unless approved by the State Department of Fish and Wildlife. Check dams may not be placed in wetlands without approval from a permitting agency.
- Do not place check dams below the expected backwater from any salmonid bearing water between October 1 and May 31 to ensure that there is no loss of high flow refuge habitat for overwintering juvenile salmonids and emergent salmonid fry.
- Construct rock check dams from appropriately sized rock. The rock used must be large enough to stay in place given the expected design flow through the channel. The rock must be placed by hand or by mechanical means (no dumping of rock to form dam) to achieve complete coverage of the ditch or swale and to ensure that the center of the dam is lower than the edges.
- Check dams may also be constructed of either rock or pea-gravel filled bags.
   Numerous new products are also available for this purpose. They tend to be reusable, quick and easy to install, effective, and cost efficient.
- Place check dams perpendicular to the flow of water.
- The dam should form a triangle when viewed from the side. This prevents undercutting as water flows over the face of the dam rather than falling directly onto the ditch bottom.
- Before installing check dams impound and bypass upstream water flow away from the work area. Options for bypassing include pumps, siphons, or temporary channels.
- Check dams in association with sumps work more effectively at slowing flow and retaining sediment than just a check dam alone. A deep sump should be provided immediately upstream of the check dam.
- In some cases, if carefully located and designed, check dams can remain as permanent installations with very minor regrading. They may be left as either spillways, in which case accumulated sediment would be graded and seeded, or as

check dams to prevent further sediment from leaving the site.

- The maximum spacing between the dams shall be such that the toe of the upstream dam is at the same elevation as the top of the downstream dam.
- Keep the maximum height at 2 feet at the center of the dam.
- Keep the center of the check dam at least 12 inches lower than the outer edges at natural ground elevation.
- Keep the side slopes of the check dam at 2H:1V or flatter.
- Key the stone into the ditch banks and extend it beyond the abutments a minimum of 18 inches to avoid washouts from overflow around the dam.
- Use filter fabric foundation under a rock or sand bag check dam. If a blanket ditch liner is used, filter fabric is not necessary. A piece of organic or synthetic blanket cut to fit will also work for this purpose.
- In the case of grass-lined ditches and swales, all check dams and accumulated sediment shall be removed when the grass has matured sufficiently to protect the ditch or swale - unless the slope of the swale is greater than 4 percent. The area beneath the check dams shall be seeded and mulched immediately after dam removal.
- Ensure that channel appurtenances, such as culvert entrances below check dams, are not subject to damage or blockage from displaced stones. <u>Figure II-4.2.7 Rock</u> <u>Check Dam (p.354)</u> depicts a typical rock check dam.

#### Maintenance Standards

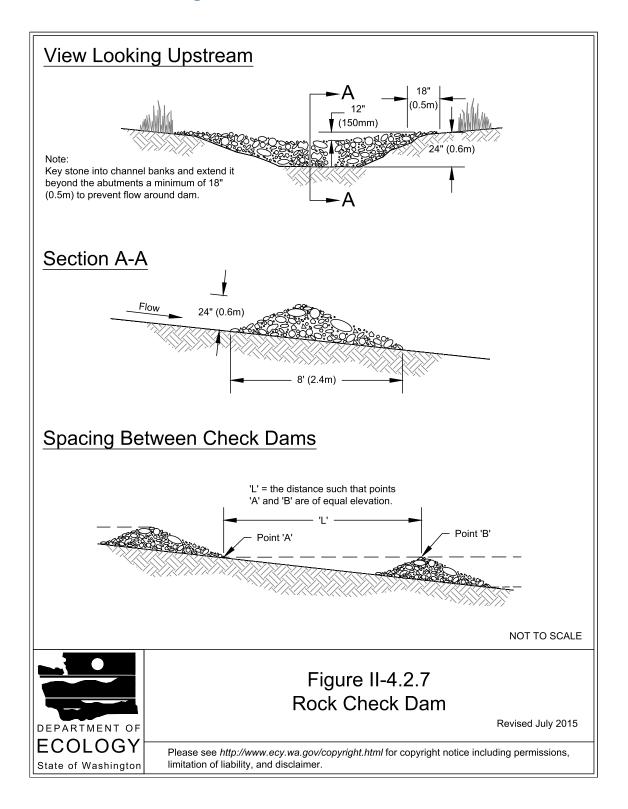
Check dams shall be monitored for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches one half the sump depth.

- Anticipate submergence and deposition above the check dam and erosion from high flows around the edges of the dam.
- If significant erosion occurs between dams, install a protective riprap liner in that portion of the channel.

# Approved as Equivalent

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Figure II-4.2.7 Rock Check Dam



# BMP C208: Triangular Silt Dike (TSD) (Geotextile-Encased Check Dam)

# **Purpose**

Triangular silt dikes may be used as check dams, for perimeter protection, for temporary soil stockpile protection, for drop inlet protection, or as a temporary interceptor dike.

## **Conditions of Use**

- May be used on soil or pavement with adhesive or staples.
- TSDs have been used to build temporary:
  - 1. sediment ponds;
  - 2. diversion ditches;
  - 3. concrete wash out facilities;
  - 4. curbing;
  - 5. water bars;
  - 6. level spreaders; and,
  - 7. berms.

# Design and Installation Specifications

Made of urethane foam sewn into a woven geosynthetic fabric.

It is triangular, 10 inches to 14 inches high in the center, with a 20-inch to 28-inch base. A 2–foot apron extends beyond both sides of the triangle along its standard section of 7 feet. A sleeve at one end allows attachment of additional sections as needed.

- Install with ends curved up to prevent water from flowing around the ends.
- The fabric flaps and check dam units are attached to the ground with wire staples.
   Wire staples should be No. 11 gauge wire and should be 200 mm to 300 mm in length.
- When multiple units are installed, the sleeve of fabric at the end of the unit shall overlap the abutting unit and be stapled.
- Check dams should be located and installed as soon as construction will allow.
- Check dams should be placed perpendicular to the flow of water.
- When used as check dams, the leading edge must be secured with rocks, sandbags, or a small key slot and staples.

 In the case of grass-lined ditches and swales, check dams and accumulated sediment shall be removed when the grass has matured sufficiently to protect the ditch or swale unless the slope of the swale is greater than 4 percent. The area beneath the check dams shall be seeded and mulched immediately after dam removal.

#### Maintenance Standards

- Triangular silt dams shall be inspected for performance and sediment accumulation during and after each runoff producing rainfall. Sediment shall be removed when it reaches one half the height of the dam.
- Anticipate submergence and deposition above the triangular silt dam and erosion from high flows around the edges of the dam. Immediately repair any damage or any undercutting of the dam.

# **BMP C209: Outlet Protection**

# **Purpose**

Outlet protection prevents scour at conveyance outlets and minimizes the potential for downstream erosion by reducing the velocity of concentrated stormwater flows.

#### **Conditions of Use**

Outlet protection is required at the outlets of all ponds, pipes, ditches, or other conveyances, and where runoff is conveyed to a natural or manmade drainage feature such as a stream, wetland, lake, or ditch.

# Design and Installation Specifications

The receiving channel at the outlet of a culvert shall be protected from erosion by rock lining a minimum of 6 feet downstream and extending up the channel sides a minimum of 1–foot above the maximum tailwater elevation or 1-foot above the crown, whichever is higher. For large pipes (more than 18 inches in diameter), the outlet protection lining of the channel is lengthened to four times the diameter of the culvert.

- Standard wingwalls, and tapered outlets and paved channels should also be considered when appropriate for permanent culvert outlet protection. (See WSDOT Hydraulic Manual, available through WSDOT Engineering Publications).
- Organic or synthetic erosion blankets, with or without vegetation, are usually more
  effective than rock, cheaper, and easier to install. Materials can be chosen using
  manufacturer product specifications. ASTM test results are available for most
  products and the designer can choose the correct material for the expected flow.
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- 1. If the discharge velocity at the outlet is less than 5 fps (pipe slope less than 1 percent), use 2-inch to 8-inch riprap. Minimum thickness is 1-foot.
- 2. For 5 to 10 fps discharge velocity at the outlet (pipe slope less than 3 percent), use 24-inch to 48-inch riprap. Minimum thickness is 2 feet.
- 3. For outlets at the base of steep slope pipes (pipe slope greater than 10 percent), an engineered energy dissipater shall be used.
- Filter fabric or erosion control blankets should always be used under riprap to prevent scour and channel erosion.
- New pipe outfalls can provide an opportunity for low-cost fish habitat improvements. For example, an alcove of low-velocity water can be created by constructing the pipe outfall and associated energy dissipater back from the stream edge and digging a channel, over-widened to the upstream side, from the outfall. Overwintering juvenile and migrating adult salmonids may use the alcove as shelter during high flows. Bank stabilization, bioengineering, and habitat features may be required for disturbed areas. This work may require a HPA. See Volume V (p.765) for more information on outfall system design.

#### Maintenance Standards

- Inspect and repair as needed.
- Add rock as needed to maintain the intended function.
- Clean energy dissipater if sediment builds up.

#### **BMP C220: Storm Drain Inlet Protection**

# **Purpose**

Storm drain inlet protection prevents coarse sediment from entering drainage systems prior to permanent stabilization of the disturbed area.

#### Conditions of Use

Use storm drain inlet protection at inlets that are operational before permanent stabilization of the disturbed drainage area. Provide protection for all storm drain inlets downslope and within 500 feet of a disturbed or construction area, unless conveying runoff entering catch basins to a sediment pond or trap.

Also consider inlet protection for lawn and yard drains on new home construction. These small and numerous drains coupled with lack of gutters in new home construction can add significant amounts of sediment into the roof drain system. If possible delay installing lawn and yard drains until just before landscaping or cap these drains to pre-

# Design and Installation Specifications

- The vegetated strip shall consist of a minimum of a 25-foot flowpath length continuous strip of dense vegetation with topsoil. Grass-covered, landscaped areas are generally not adequate because the volume of sediment overwhelms the grass. Ideally, vegetated strips shall consist of undisturbed native growth with a well-developed soil that allows for infiltration of runoff.
- The slope within the strip shall not exceed 4H:1V.
- The uphill boundary of the vegetated strip shall be delineated with clearing limits.

#### Maintenance Standards

- Any areas damaged by erosion or construction activity shall be seeded immediately and protected by mulch.
- If more than 5 feet of the original vegetated strip width has had vegetation removed or is being eroded, sod must be installed.
- If there are indications that concentrated flows are traveling across the buffer, surface water controls must be installed to reduce the flows entering the buffer, or additional perimeter protection must be installed.

## **BMP C235: Wattles**

# **Purpose**

Wattles are temporary erosion and sediment control barriers consisting of straw, compost, or other material that is wrapped in biodegradable tubular plastic or similar encasing material. They reduce the velocity and can spread the flow of rill and sheet runoff, and can capture and retain sediment. Wattles are typically 8 to 10 inches in diameter and 25 to 30 feet in length. Wattles are placed in shallow trenches and staked along the contour of disturbed or newly constructed slopes. See <a href="Figure II-4.2.14 Wattles (p.378">Figure II-4.2.14 Wattles (p.378)</a> for typical construction details. WSDOT Standard Plan I-30.30-00 also provides information on Wattles (http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Design/Standards/Plans.htm#SectionI)

#### Conditions of Use

- · Use wattles:
  - In disturbed areas that require immediate erosion protection.
  - On exposed soils during the period of short construction delays, or over winter months.
  - On slopes requiring stabilization until permanent vegetation can be established.

- The material used dictates the effectiveness period of the wattle. Generally,
   Wattles are typically effective for one to two seasons.
- Prevent rilling beneath wattles by properly entrenching and abutting wattles together to prevent water from passing between them.

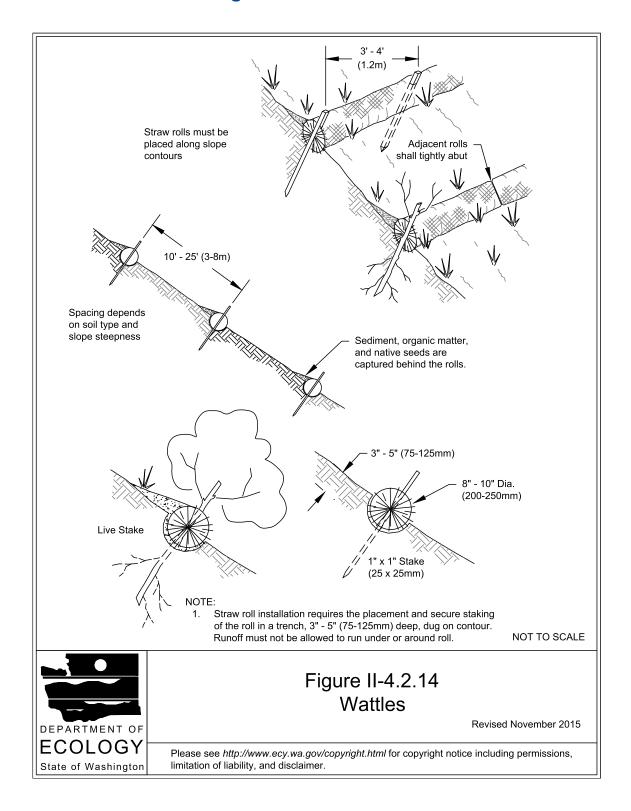
# Design Criteria

- Install wattles perpendicular to the flow direction and parallel to the slope contour.
- Narrow trenches should be dug across the slope on contour to a depth of 3- to 5inches on clay soils and soils with gradual slopes. On loose soils, steep slopes,
  and areas with high rainfall, the trenches should be dug to a depth of 5- to 7inches, or 1/2 to 2/3 of the thickness of the wattle.
- Start building trenches and installing wattles from the base of the slope and work
  up. Spread excavated material evenly along the uphill slope and compacted using
  hand tamping or other methods.
- Construct trenches at intervals of 10- to 25-feet depending on the steepness of the slope, soil type, and rainfall. The steeper the slope the closer together the trenches.
- Install the wattles snugly into the trenches and abut tightly end to end. Do not overlap the ends.
- Install stakes at each end of the wattle, and at 4-foot centers along entire length of wattle.
- If required, install pilot holes for the stakes using a straight bar to drive holes through the wattle and into the soil.
- Wooden stakes should be approximately 3/4 x 3/4 x 24 inches min. Willow cuttings or 3/8-inch rebar can also be used for stakes.
- Stakes should be driven through the middle of the wattle, leaving 2 to 3 inches of the stake protruding above the wattle.

#### Maintenance Standards

Wattles may require maintenance to ensure they are in contact with soil and thoroughly entrenched, especially after significant rainfall on steep sandy soils.

# Figure II-4.2.14 Wattles



 Inspect the slope after significant storms and repair any areas where wattles are not tightly abutted or water has scoured beneath the wattles.

# Approved as Equivalent

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# **BMP C236: Vegetative Filtration**

# **Purpose**

Vegetative Filtration may be used in conjunction with <u>BMP C241: Temporary Sediment Pond (p.388)</u>, <u>BMP C206: Level Spreader (p.348)</u> and a pumping system with surface intake to improve turbidity levels of stormwater discharges by filtering through existing vegetation where undisturbed forest floor duff layer or established lawn with thatch layer are present. Vegetative Filtration can also be used to infiltrate dewatering waste from foundations, vaults, and trenches as long as runoff does not occur.

### **Conditions of Use**

- For every five acre of disturbed soil use one acre of grass field, farm pasture, or wooded area. Reduce or increase this area depending on project size, ground water table height, and other site conditions.
- Wetlands shall not be used for filtration.
- Do not use this BMP in areas with a high ground water table, or in areas that will have a high seasonal ground water table during the use of this BMP.
- This BMP may be less effective on soils that prevent the infiltration of the water, such as hard till.
- Using other effective source control measures throughout a construction site will
  prevent the generation of additional highly turbid water and may reduce the time
  period or area need for this BMP.
- Stop distributing water into the vegetated area if standing water or erosion results.

# Design Criteria

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- If the project site does not contain enough vegetated field area consider obtaining

- permission from adjacent landowners (especially for farm fields).
- Install a pump and downstream distribution manifold depending on the project size. Generally, the main distribution line should reach 100 to 200-feet long (many large projects, or projects on tight soil, will require systems that reach several thousand feet long with numerous branch lines off of the main distribution line).
- The manifold should have several valves, allowing for control over the distribution area in the field.
- Install several branches of 4" schedule 20, swaged-fit common septic tight-lined sewer line, or 6" fire hose, which can convey the turbid water out to various sections of the field. See <u>Figure II-4.2.15 Manifold and Branches in a Wooded, Vegetated Spray Field (p.382)</u>.
- Determine the branch length based on the field area geography and number of branches. Typically, branches stretch from 200-feet to several thousand feet. Always, lay branches on contour with the slope.
- On uneven ground, sprinklers perform well. Space sprinkler heads so that spray patterns do not overlap.
- On relatively even surfaces, a level spreader using 4-inch perforated pipe may be
  used as an alternative option to the sprinkler head setup. Install drain pipe at the
  highest point on the field and at various lower elevations to ensure full coverage of
  the filtration area. Pipe should be place with the holes up to allow for a gentle
  weeping of stormwater evenly out all holes. Leveling the pipe by staking and using
  sandbags may be required.
- To prevent the over saturation of the field area, rotate the use of branches or spray heads. Do this as needed based on monitoring the spray field.
- Monitor the spray field on a daily basis to ensure that over saturation of any portion
  of the field doesn't occur at any time. The presence of standing puddles of water or
  creation of concentrated flows visually signify that over saturation of the field has
  occurred.
- Since the operator is handling contaminated water, physically monitor the vegetated spray field all the way down to the nearest surface water, or furthest spray area, to ensure that the water has not caused overland or concentrated flows, and has not created erosion around the spray nozzle.
- Monitoring usually needs to take place 3-5 times per day to ensure sheet-flow into state waters. Do not exceed water quality standards for turbidity.
- Ecology strongly recommends that a separate inspection log be developed, maintained and kept with the existing site logbook to aid the operator conducting inspections. This separate "Field Filtration Logbook" can also aid the facility in

demonstrating compliance with permit conditions.

# **Maintenance Standards**

- Inspect the spray nozzles daily, at a minimum, for leaks and plugging from sediment particles.
- If erosion, concentrated flows, or over saturation of the field occurs, rotate the use of branches or spray heads or move the branches to a new field location.
- Check all branches and the manifold for unintended leaks.

Flowpath Guidelines for Vegetative Filtration						
Average Slope	Average Area % Slope	Estimated Flowpath Length (ft)				
1.5H:1V	67%	250				
2H:1V	50%	200				
4H:1V	25%	150				
6H:1V	16.7%	115				
10H:1V	10%	100				

Figure II-4.2.15 Manifold and Branches in a Wooded, Vegetated Spray Field



NOT TO SCALE



# Figure II-4.2.15 Manifold and Branches in a Wooded, Vegetated Spray Field

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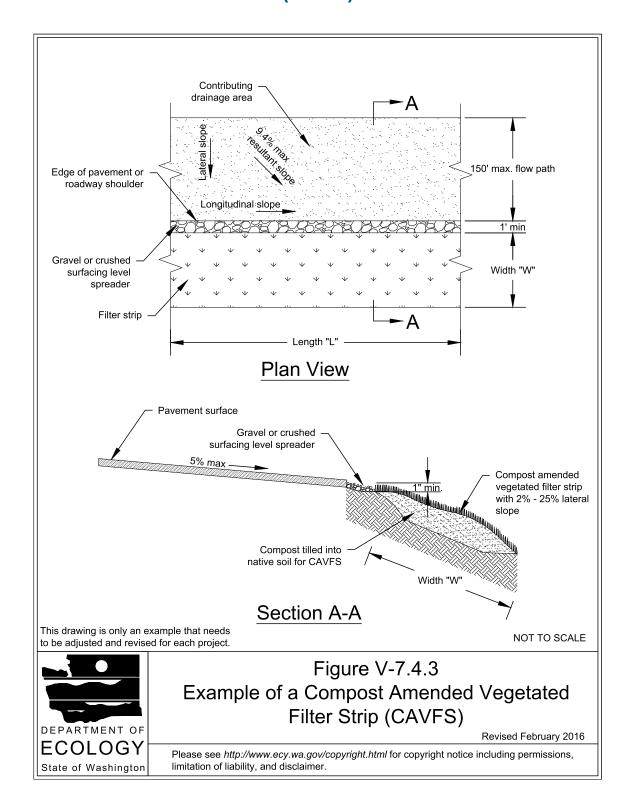
- deposition is high (e.g., contributing areas that include gas stations, ports and roads with high traffic loads). In residential settings or other areas where metals or other pollutant loads are not anticipated to be high, replace or add mulch as needed (likely 3 to 5 years) to maintain a 2 to 3 inch depth.
- Soil: Soil mixes for bioretention facilities are designed to maintain long-term fertility and pollutant processing capability. Estimates from metal attenuation research suggest that metal accumulation should not present an environmental concern for at least 20 years in bioretention systems, but this will vary according to pollutant load. Replacing mulch media in bioretention facilities where heavy metal deposition is likely provides an additional level of protection for prolonged performance. If in question, have soil analyzed for fertility and pollutant levels.

# BMP T7.40: Compost-amended Vegetated Filter Strips (CAVFS)

# Description

The CAVFS is a variation of the basic vegetated filter strip that adds soil amendments to the roadside embankment (See Figure V-7.4.3 Example of a Compost Amended Vegetated Filter Strip (CAVFS) (p.987)). The soil amendments improve infiltration characteristics, increase surface roughness, and improve plant sustainability. Once permanent vegetation is established, the advantages of the CAVFS are higher surface roughness; greater retention and infiltration capacity; improved removal of soluble cationic contaminants through sorption; improved overall vegetative health; and a reduction of invasive weeds. Compost-amended systems have somewhat higher construction costs due to more expensive materials, but require less land area for runoff treatment, which can reduce overall costs.

Figure V-7.4.3 Example of a Compost Amended Vegetated Filter Strip (CAVFS)



# **Applications**

CAVFS can be used to meet basic runoff treatment and enhanced runoff treatment objectives. It has practical application in areas where there is space for roadside embankments that can be built to the CAVFS specifications.

# Soil Design Criteria

The CAVFS design incorporates composted material into the native soils per the criteria in <u>BMP T5.13</u>: <u>Post-Construction Soil Quality and Depth (p.911)</u> for turf areas. However, as noted below, the compost shall not contain biosolids, or manure. The goal is to create a healthy soil environment for a lush growth of turf.

## Soil/Compost Mix:

- Presumptive approach: Place and rototill 1.75 inches of composted material into 6.25 inches of soil (a total amended depth of about 9.5 inches), for a settled depth of 8 inches. Water or roll to compact soil to 85% maximum. Plant grass.
- Custom approach: Place and rototill the calculated amount of composted material
  into a depth of soil needed to achieve 8 inches of settled soil at 5% organic content. Water or roll to compact soil to 85% maximum. Plant grass. The amount of
  compost or other soil amendments used varies by soil type and organic matter content. If there is a good possibility that site conditions may already contain a relatively high organic content, then it may be possible to modify the pre-approved
  rate described above and still be able to achieve the 5% organic content target.
- The final soil mix (including compost and soil) should have an initial saturated hydraulic conductivity less than 12 inches per hour, and a minimum long-term hydraulic conductivity of 1.0 inch/hour per ASTM Designation D 2434 (Standard Test Method for Permeability of Granular Soils) at 85% compaction per ASTM Designation D 1557 (Standard Test Method for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Modified Effort. Infiltration rate and hydraulic conductivity are assumed to be approximately the same in a uniform mix soil. Note: Long term saturated hydraulic conductivity is determined by applying the appropriate infiltration correction factors as explained under "Determining Bioretention soil mix infiltration rate" under BMP T7.30: Bioretention Cells, Swales, and Planter Boxes (p.959).
- The final soil mixture should have a minimum organic content of 5% by dry weight per ASTM Designation D 2974 (Standard Test Method for Moisture, Ash and Organic Matter of Peat and Other Organic Soils) (Tackett, 2004).
- Achieving the above recommendations will depend on the specific soil and compost characteristics. In general, the recommendation can be achieved with 60% to 65% loamy sand mixed with 25% to 30% compost or 30% sandy loam, 30% coarse sand, and 30% compost.

- The final soil mixture should be tested prior to installation for fertility, micronutrient analysis, and organic material content.
- Clay content for the final soil mix should be less than 5%.
- Compost must not contain biosolids,manure, any street or highway sweepings, or any catch basin solids.
- The pH for the soil mix should be between 5.5 and 7.0 (Stenn, 2003). If the pH falls outside the acceptable range, it may be modified with lime to increase the pH or iron sulfate plus sulfur to lower the pH. The lime or iron sulfate must be mixed uniformly into the soil prior to use in LID areas (Low-Impact Development Center, 2004).
- The soil mix should be uniform and free of stones, stumps, roots, or other similar material larger than 2 inches.
- When placing topsoil, it is important that the first lift of topsoil is mixed into the top
  of the existing soil. This allows the roots to penetrate the underlying soil easier and
  helps prevent the formation of a slip plane between the two soil layers.

## Soil Component:

The texture for the soil component of the LID BMP soil mix should be loamy sand (USDA Soil Textural Classification).

## Compost Component:

Follow the specifications for compost in <u>BMP T7.30</u>: <u>Bioretention Cells, Swales, and Planter Boxes (p.959)</u>

# **Design Modeling Method**

The CAVFS will have an "Element" in the approved continuous runoff models that must be used for determining the amount of water that is treated by the CAVFS. To fully meet treatment requirements, Ninety-one percent of the influent runoff file must pass through the soil profile of the CAVFS. Water that merely flows over the surface is not considered treated. Approved continuous runoff models should be able to report the amount of water that it estimates will pass through the soil profile.

#### Maintenance

Compost, as with sand filters or other filter mediums, can become plugged with fines and sediment, which may require removal and replacement. Including vegetation with compost helps prevent the medium from becoming plugged with sediment by breaking up the sediment and creating root pathways for stormwater to penetrate into the compost. It is expected that soil amendments will have a removal and replacement cycle; however, this time frame has not yet been established.

# **C. Site Inspection Form**

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B. Phase of Act	tive Construction (check all	that app	ly):				
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# D. Check the observed status of all items. Provide "Action Required "details and dates.

Element #	Inspection	BMPs Inspected			BMP needs maintenance	BMP failed	Action required
		yes	no	n/a			(describe in section F)
1 Clearing Limits	Before beginning land disturbing activities are all clearing limits, natural resource areas (streams, wetlands, buffers, trees) protected with barriers or similar BMPs? (high visibility recommended)						
2 Construction Access	Construction access is stabilized with quarry spalls or equivalent BMP to prevent sediment from being tracked onto roads?  Sediment tracked onto the road way was cleaned thoroughly at the end of the day or more frequent as necessary.						
3 Control Flow Rates	Are flow control measures installed to control stormwater volumes and velocity during construction and do they protect downstream properties and waterways from erosion?  If permanent infiltration ponds are used for flow control during construction, are they protected from siltation?						
4 Sediment Controls	All perimeter sediment controls (e.g. silt fence, wattles, compost socks, berms, etc.) installed, and maintained in accordance with the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).  Sediment control BMPs (sediment ponds, traps, filters etc.) have been constructed and functional as the first step of grading.  Stormwater runoff from disturbed areas is directed to sediment removal BMP.						
5 Stabilize Soils	Have exposed un-worked soils been stabilized with effective BMP to prevent erosion and sediment deposition?						

Element #	Inspection	BMPs Inspected			BMP needs maintenance	BMP	Action
		yes	no	n/a	maintenance	failed	required (describe in section F)
5 Stabilize Soils Cont.	Are stockpiles stabilized from erosion, protected with sediment trapping measures and located away from drain inlet, waterways, and drainage channels?						Section 17
	Have soils been stabilized at the end of the shift, before a holiday or weekend if needed based on the weather forecast?						
6 Protect Slopes	Has stormwater and ground water been diverted away from slopes and disturbed areas with interceptor dikes, pipes and or swales?						
	Is off-site storm water managed separately from stormwater generated on the site?						
	Is excavated material placed on uphill side of trenches consistent with safety and space considerations?						
	Have check dams been placed at regular intervals within constructed channels that are cut down a slope?						
7 Drain Inlets	Storm drain inlets made operable during construction are protected.  Are existing storm drains within the						
8 Stabilize Channel and Outlets	influence of the project protected?  Have all on-site conveyance channels been designed, constructed and stabilized to prevent erosion from expected peak flows?						
	Is stabilization, including armoring material, adequate to prevent erosion of outlets, adjacent stream banks, slopes and downstream conveyance systems?						
9 Control Pollutants	Are waste materials and demolition debris handled and disposed of to prevent contamination of stormwater?						
	Has cover been provided for all chemicals, liquid products, petroleum products, and other material?						
	Has secondary containment been provided capable of containing 110% of the volume?						
	Were contaminated surfaces cleaned immediately after a spill incident?  Were BMPs used to prevent						
	contamination of stormwater by a pH modifying sources?						

Element #	Inspection	BMPs Inspected			BMP needs maintenance	BMP failed	Action required
		yes	no	n/a			(describe in section F)
9 Cont.	Wheel wash wastewater is handled and disposed of properly.						,
10 Control Dewatering	Concrete washout in designated areas. No washout or excess concrete on the ground.  Dewatering has been done to an approved source and in compliance with the SWPPP.						
	Were there any clean non turbid dewatering discharges?						
11 Maintain BMP	Are all temporary and permanent erosion and sediment control BMPs maintained to perform as intended?						
12 Manage the	Has the project been phased to the maximum degree practicable?						
Project	Has regular inspection, monitoring and maintenance been performed as required by the permit?						
	Has the SWPPP been updated, implemented and records maintained?						
13 Protect LID	Is all Bioretention and Rain Garden Facilities protected from sedimentation with appropriate BMPs?						
	Is the Bioretention and Rain Garden protected against over compaction of construction equipment and foot traffic to retain its infiltration capabilities?						
	Permeable pavements are clean and free of sediment and sediment ladenwater runoff. Muddy construction equipment has not been on the base material or pavement.						
	Have soiled permeable pavements been cleaned of sediments and pass infiltration test as required by stormwater manual methodology?						
	Heavy equipment has been kept off existing soils under LID facilities to retain infiltration rate.						

F. Elements checked "Action Required" (section D) describe corrective action to be taken. List the element number; be specific on location and work needed. Document, initial, and date when the corrective action has been completed

and inspected.

Element #	Description and Location	Action Required	Completion Date	Initials			
Attach additional page if needed							
Sign the following certification:							
"I certify that this report is true, accurate, and complete, to the best of my knowledge and belief"							
Inspected	by: (print) (Sign	nature)	Date:				
Title/Oual	ification of Inspector			•			

D. Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP)

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November 18, 2015 January 1, 2016 December 31, 2020

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# CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER GENERAL PERMIT

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and State Waste Discharge General Permit for Stormwater Discharges Associated with Construction Activity

State of Washington
Department of Ecology
Olympia, Washington 98504

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (State of Washington Water Pollution Control Act)

Title 33 United States Code, Section 1251 et seq. The Federal Water Pollution Control Act (The Clean Water Act)

Until this permit expires, is modified, or revoked, Permittees that have properly obtained coverage under this general permit are authorized to discharge in accordance with the special and general conditions that follow.

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#### SUMMARY OF PERMIT REPORT SUBMITTALS

Refer to the Special and General Conditions within this permit for additional submittal requirements. Appendix A provides a list of definitions. Appendix B provides a list of acronyms.

**Table 1: Summary of Required Submittals** 

Permit Section	Submittal	Frequency	First Submittal Date
<u>S5.A</u> and <u>S8</u>	High Turbidity/Transparency Phone Reporting	As Necessary	Within 24 hours
<u>S5.B</u>	Discharge Monitoring Report	Monthly*	Within 15 days following the end of each month
<u>S5.F</u> and <u>S8</u>	Noncompliance Notification – Telephone Notification	As necessary	Within 24-hours
<u>S5.F</u>	Noncompliance Notification – Written Report	As necessary	Within 5 Days of non- compliance
<u>\$9.C</u>	Request for Chemical Treatment Form	As necessary	Written approval from Ecology is required prior to using chemical treatment (with the exception of dry ice or CO <sub>2</sub> to adjust pH)
<u>G2</u>	Notice of Change in Authorization	As necessary	
<u>G6</u>	Permit Application for Substantive Changes to the Discharge	As necessary	
<u>G8</u>	Application for Permit Renewal	1/permit cycle	No later than 180 days before expiration
<u>G9</u>	Notice of Permit Transfer	As necessary	
<u>G20</u>	Notice of Planned Changes	As necessary	
<u>G22</u>	Reporting Anticipated Non- compliance	As necessary	

SPECIAL NOTE: \*Permittees must submit electronic Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs) to the Washington State Department of Ecology monthly, regardless of site discharge, for the full duration of permit coverage. Refer to Section S5.B of this General Permit for more specific information regarding DMRs.

**Table 2: Summary of Required On-site Documentation** 

Document Title	Permit Conditions
Permit Coverage Letter	See Conditions <u>S2</u> , <u>S5</u>
Construction Stormwater General Permit	See Conditions <u>S2</u> , <u>S5</u>
Site Log Book	See Conditions <u>S4</u> , <u>S5</u>
Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)	See Conditions <u>S9</u> , <u>S5</u>

#### SPECIAL CONDITIONS

#### S1. PERMIT COVERAGE

#### A. Permit Area

This Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP) covers all areas of Washington State, except for federal operators and Indian Country as specified in Special Condition S1.E.3.

- B. Operators Required to Seek Coverage Under this General Permit:
  - 1. Operators of the following construction activities are required to seek coverage under this CSWGP:
    - a. Clearing, grading and/or excavation that results in the disturbance of one or more acres (including off-site disturbance acreage authorized in S1.C.2) and discharges stormwater to surface waters of the State; and clearing, grading and/or excavation on sites smaller than one acre that are part of a larger common plan of development or sale, if the common plan of development or sale will ultimately disturb one acre or more and discharge stormwater to surface waters of the State.
      - i. This includes forest practices (including, but not limited to, class IV conversions) that are part of a construction activity that will result in the disturbance of one or more acres, and discharge to surface waters of the State (that is, forest practices that prepare a site for construction activities); and
    - b. Any size construction activity discharging stormwater to waters of the State that the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology):
      - i. Determines to be a significant contributor of pollutants to waters of the State of Washington.
      - ii. Reasonably expects to cause a violation of any water quality standard.
  - 2. Operators of the following activities are not required to seek coverage under this CSWGP (unless specifically required under Special Condition S1.B.1.b. above):
    - a. Construction activities that discharge all stormwater and non-stormwater to ground water, sanitary sewer, or combined sewer, and have no point source discharge to either surface water or a storm sewer system that drains to surface waters of the State.
    - b. Construction activities covered under an Erosivity Waiver (Special Condition S2.C).
    - c. Routine maintenance that is performed to maintain the original line and grade, hydraulic capacity, or original purpose of a facility.

## C. Authorized Discharges:

- 1. Stormwater Associated with Construction Activity. Subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit, Permittees are authorized to discharge stormwater associated with construction activity to surface waters of the State or to a storm sewer system that drains to surface waters of the State. (Note that "surface waters of the State" may exist on a construction site as well as off site; for example, a creek running through a site.)
- 2. Stormwater Associated with Construction Support Activity. This permit also authorizes stormwater discharge from support activities related to the permitted construction site (for example, an on-site portable rock crusher, off-site equipment staging yards, material storage areas, borrow areas, etc.) provided:
  - a. The support activity relates directly to the permitted construction site that is required to have an NPDES permit; and
  - b. The support activity is not a commercial operation serving multiple unrelated construction projects, and does not operate beyond the completion of the construction activity; and
  - c. Appropriate controls and measures are identified in the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for the discharges from the support activity areas.
- 3. *Non-Stormwater Discharges*. The categories and sources of non-stormwater discharges identified below are authorized conditionally, provided the discharge is consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit:
  - a. Discharges from fire-fighting activities.
  - b. Fire hydrant system flushing.
  - c. Potable water, including uncontaminated water line flushing.
  - d. Hydrostatic test water.
  - e. Uncontaminated air conditioning or compressor condensate.
  - f. Uncontaminated ground water or spring water.
  - g. Uncontaminated excavation dewatering water (in accordance with S9.D.10).
  - h. Uncontaminated discharges from foundation or footing drains.
  - i. Uncontaminated or potable water used to control dust. Permittees must minimize the amount of dust control water used.
  - j. Routine external building wash down that does not use detergents.
  - k. Landscape irrigation water.

The SWPPP must adequately address all authorized non-stormwater discharges, except for discharges from fire-fighting activities, and must comply with Special Condition S3.

At a minimum, discharges from potable water (including water line flushing), fire hydrant system flushing, and pipeline hydrostatic test water must undergo the following: dechlorination to a concentration of 0.1 parts per million (ppm) or less, and pH adjustment to within 6.5-8.5 standard units (su), if necessary.

# D. Prohibited Discharges:

The following discharges to waters of the State, including ground water, are prohibited.

- 1. Concrete wastewater.
- 2. Wastewater from washout and clean-up of stucco, paint, form release oils, curing compounds and other construction materials.
- 3. Process wastewater as defined by 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 122.2 (see Appendix A of this permit).
- 4. Slurry materials and waste from shaft drilling, including process wastewater from shaft drilling for construction of building, road, and bridge foundations unless managed according to Special Condition S9.D.9.j.
- 5. Fuels, oils, or other pollutants used in vehicle and equipment operation and maintenance.
- 6. Soaps or solvents used in vehicle and equipment washing.
- 7. Wheel wash wastewater, unless managed according to Special Condition S9.D.9.
- 8. Discharges from dewatering activities, including discharges from dewatering of trenches and excavations, unless managed according to Special Condition S9.D.10.

#### E. Limits on Coverage

Ecology may require any discharger to apply for and obtain coverage under an individual permit or another more specific general permit. Such alternative coverage will be required when Ecology determines that this CSWGP does not provide adequate assurance that water quality will be protected, or there is a reasonable potential for the project to cause or contribute to a violation of water quality standards.

The following stormwater discharges are not covered by this permit:

- 1. Post-construction stormwater discharges that originate from the site after completion of construction activities and the site has undergone final stabilization.
- 2. Non-point source silvicultural activities such as nursery operations, site preparation, reforestation and subsequent cultural treatment, thinning, prescribed burning, pest and fire control, harvesting operations, surface drainage, or road construction and maintenance, from which there is natural runoff as excluded in 40 CFR Subpart 122.
- 3. Stormwater from any federal operator.

4. Stormwater from facilities located on "Indian Country" as defined in 18 U.S.C.§1151, except portions of the Puyallup Reservation as noted below.

**Indian Country includes:** 

- a. All land within any Indian Reservation notwithstanding the issuance of any patent, and, including rights-of-way running through the reservation. This includes all federal, tribal, and Indian and non-Indian privately owned land within the reservation.
- b. All off-reservation Indian allotments, the Indian titles to which have not been extinguished, including rights-of-way running through the same.
- c. All off-reservation federal trust lands held for Native American Tribes.

Puyallup Exception: Following the *Puyallup Tribes of Indians Land Settlement Act of 1989*, 25 U.S.C. §1773; the permit does apply to land within the Puyallup Reservation except for discharges to surface water on land held in trust by the federal government.

- 5. Stormwater from any site covered under an existing NPDES individual permit in which stormwater management and/or treatment requirements are included for all stormwater discharges associated with construction activity.
- 6. Stormwater from a site where an applicable Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirement specifically precludes or prohibits discharges from construction activity.

#### **S2. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

- A. Permit Application Forms
  - 1. Notice of Intent Form/Timeline
    - a. Operators of new or previously unpermitted construction activities must submit a complete and accurate permit application (Notice of Intent, or NOI) to Ecology.
    - b. Operators must apply using the electronic application form (NOI) available on Ecology's website <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html</a>. Permittees unable to submit electronically (for example, those who do not have an internet connection) must contact Ecology to request a waiver and obtain instructions on how to obtain a paper NOI.

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- c. The operator must submit the NOI at least 60 days before discharging stormwater from construction activities and must submit it on or before the date of the first public notice (see Special Condition S2.B below for details). The 30-day public comment period begins on the publication date of the second public notice. Unless Ecology responds to the complete application in writing, based on public comments, or any other relevant factors, coverage under the general permit will automatically commence on the thirty-first day following receipt by Ecology of a completed NOI, or the issuance date of this permit, whichever is later; unless Ecology specifies a later date in writing as required by WAC173-226-200(2).
- d. If an applicant intends to use a Best Management Practice (BMP) selected on the basis of Special Condition S9.C.4 ("demonstrably equivalent" BMPs), the applicant must notify Ecology of its selection as part of the NOI. In the event the applicant selects BMPs after submission of the NOI, it must provide notice of the selection of an equivalent BMP to Ecology at least 60 days before intended use of the equivalent BMP.
- e. Permittees must notify Ecology regarding any changes to the information provided on the NOI by submitting an updated NOI. Examples of such changes include, but are not limited to:
  - i. Changes to the Permittee's mailing address,
  - ii. Changes to the on-site contact person information, and
  - iii. Changes to the area/acreage affected by construction activity.
- f. Applicants must notify Ecology if they are aware of contaminated soils and/or groundwater associated with the construction activity. Provide detailed information with the NOI (as known and readily available) on the nature and extent of the contamination (concentrations, locations, and depth), as well as pollution prevention and/or treatment BMPs proposed to control the discharge of soil and/or groundwater contaminants in stormwater. Examples of such detail may include, but are not limited to:
  - i. List or table of all known contaminants with laboratory test results showing concentration and depth,
  - ii. Map with sample locations,
  - iii. Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control (TESC) plans,
  - iv. Related portions of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) that address the management of contaminated and potentially contaminated construction stormwater and dewatering water,
  - v. Dewatering plan and/or dewatering contingency plan.

# 2. Transfer of Coverage Form

The Permittee can transfer current coverage under this permit to one or more new operators, including operators of sites within a Common Plan of Development, provided the Permittee submits a Transfer of Coverage Form in accordance with General Condition G9. Transfers do not require public notice.

#### B. Public Notice

For new or previously unpermitted construction activities, the applicant must publish a public notice at least one time each week for two consecutive weeks, at least 7 days apart, in a newspaper with general circulation in the county where the construction is to take place. The notice must contain:

- 1. A statement that "The applicant is seeking coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology's Construction Stormwater NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit".
- 2. The name, address and location of the construction site.
- 3. The name and address of the applicant.
- 4. The type of construction activity that will result in a discharge (for example, residential construction, commercial construction, etc.), and the number of acres to be disturbed.
- 5. The name of the receiving water(s) (that is, the surface water(s) to which the site will discharge), or, if the discharge is through a storm sewer system, the name of the operator of the system.
- 6. The statement: "Any persons desiring to present their views to the Washington State Department of Ecology regarding this application, or interested in Ecology's action on this application, may notify Ecology in writing no later than 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice. Ecology reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier II antidegradation requirements under WAC 173-201A-320. Comments can be submitted to: Department of Ecology, PO Box 47696, Olympia, Washington 98504-7696 Attn: Water Quality Program, Construction Stormwater."

## C. Erosivity Waiver

Construction site operators may qualify for an erosivity waiver from the CSWGP if the following conditions are met:

- 1. The site will result in the disturbance of fewer than 5 acres and the site is not a portion of a common plan of development or sale that will disturb 5 acres or greater.
- 2. Calculation of Erosivity "R" Factor and Regional Timeframe:
  - a. The project's rainfall erosivity factor ("R" Factor) must be less than 5 during the period of construction activity, as calculated (see the CSWGP homepage <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html</a> for a link to the EPA's calculator and step by step instructions on computing the "R" Factor in the EPA Erosivity Waiver Fact Sheet). The period of construction activity starts when the land is first disturbed and ends with final stabilization. In addition:
  - b. The entire period of construction activity must fall within the following timeframes:
    - i. For sites west of the Cascades Crest: June 15 September 15.
    - ii. For sites east of the Cascades Crest, excluding the Central Basin: June 15 October 15.
    - iii. For sites east of the Cascades Crest, within the Central Basin: no additional timeframe restrictions apply. The Central Basin is defined as the portions of Eastern Washington with mean annual precipitation of less than 12 inches. For a map of the Central Basin (Average Annual Precipitation Region 2), refer to <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/resourcesguidance.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/resourcesguidance.html</a>.
- 3. Construction site operators must submit a complete Erosivity Waiver certification form at least one week before disturbing the land. Certification must include statements that the operator will:
  - a. Comply with applicable local stormwater requirements; and
  - b. Implement appropriate erosion and sediment control BMPs to prevent violations of water quality standards.
- 4. This waiver is not available for facilities declared significant contributors of pollutants as defined in Special Condition S1.B.1.b. or for any size construction activity that could reasonably expect to cause a violation of any water quality standard as defined in Special Condition S1.B.1.b.ii.
- 5. This waiver does not apply to construction activities which include non-stormwater discharges listed in Special Condition S1.C.3.

- 6. If construction activity extends beyond the certified waiver period for any reason, the operator must either:
  - a. Recalculate the rainfall erosivity "R" factor using the original start date and a new projected ending date and, if the "R" factor is still under 5 *and* the entire project falls within the applicable regional timeframe in Special Condition S2.C.2.b, complete and submit an amended waiver certification form before the original waiver expires; *or*
  - b. Submit a complete permit application to Ecology in accordance with Special Condition S2.A and B before the end of the certified waiver period.

## S3. COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS

- A. Discharges must not cause or contribute to a violation of surface water quality standards (Chapter 173-201A WAC), ground water quality standards (Chapter 173-200 WAC), sediment management standards (Chapter 173-204 WAC), and human health-based criteria in the National Toxics Rule (40 CFR Part 131.36). Discharges not in compliance with these standards are not authorized.
- B. Prior to the discharge of stormwater and non-stormwater to waters of the State, the Permittee must apply all known, available, and reasonable methods of prevention, control, and treatment (AKART). This includes the preparation and implementation of an adequate SWPPP, with all appropriate BMPs installed and maintained in accordance with the SWPPP and the terms and conditions of this permit.
- C. Ecology presumes that a Permittee complies with water quality standards unless discharge monitoring data or other site-specific information demonstrates that a discharge causes or contributes to a violation of water quality standards, when the Permittee complies with the following conditions. The Permittee must fully:
  - 1. Comply with all permit conditions, including planning, sampling, monitoring, reporting, and recordkeeping conditions.
  - 2. Implement stormwater BMPs contained in stormwater management manuals published or approved by Ecology, or BMPs that are demonstrably equivalent to BMPs contained in stormwater technical manuals published or approved by Ecology, including the proper selection, implementation, and maintenance of all applicable and appropriate BMPs for on-site pollution control. (For purposes of this section, the stormwater manuals listed in Appendix 10 of the Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit are approved by Ecology.)
- D. Where construction sites also discharge to ground water, the ground water discharges must also meet the terms and conditions of this CSWGP. Permittees who discharge to ground water through an injection well must also comply with any applicable requirements of the Underground Injection Control (UIC) regulations, Chapter 173-218 WAC.

# S4. MONITORING REQUIREMENTS, BENCHMARKS AND REPORTING TRIGGERS

# A. Site Log Book

The Permittee must maintain a site log book that contains a record of the implementation of the SWPPP and other permit requirements, including the installation and maintenance of BMPs, site inspections, and stormwater monitoring.

# B. Site Inspections

The Permittee's site inspections must include all areas disturbed by construction activities, all BMPs, and all stormwater discharge points under the Permittee's operational control. (See Special Conditions S4.B.3 and B.4 below for detailed requirements of the Permittee's Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead [CESCL].)

Construction sites one acre or larger that discharge stormwater to surface waters of the State must have site inspections conducted by a certified CESCL. Sites less than one acre may have a person without CESCL certification conduct inspections.

1. The Permittee must examine stormwater visually for the presence of suspended sediment, turbidity, discoloration, and oil sheen. The Permittee must evaluate the effectiveness of BMPs and determine if it is necessary to install, maintain, or repair BMPs to improve the quality of stormwater discharges.

Based on the results of the inspection, the Permittee must correct the problems identified by:

- a. Reviewing the SWPPP for compliance with Special Condition S9 and making appropriate revisions within 7 days of the inspection.
- b. Immediately beginning the process of fully implementing and maintaining appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible, addressing the problems no later than within 10 days of the inspection. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when an extension is requested by a Permittee within the initial 10-day response period.
- c. Documenting BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.
- 2. The Permittee must inspect all areas disturbed by construction activities, all BMPs, and all stormwater discharge points at least once every calendar week and within 24 hours of any discharge from the site. (For purposes of this condition, individual discharge events that last more than one day do not require daily inspections. For example, if a stormwater pond discharges continuously over the course of a week, only one inspection is required that week.) The Permittee may reduce the inspection frequency for temporarily stabilized, inactive sites to once every calendar month.

- 3. The Permittee must have staff knowledgeable in the principles and practices of erosion and sediment control. The CESCL (sites one acre or more) or inspector (sites less than one acre) must have the skills to assess the:
  - a. Site conditions and construction activities that could impact the quality of stormwater, *and*
  - b. Effectiveness of erosion and sediment control measures used to control the quality of stormwater discharges.
- 4. The SWPPP must identify the CESCL or inspector, who must be present on site or on-call at all times. The CESCL must obtain this certification through an approved erosion and sediment control training program that meets the minimum training standards established by Ecology (see BMP C160 in the manual referred to in Special Condition S9.C.1 and 2).
- 5. The Permittee must summarize the results of each inspection in an inspection report or checklist and enter the report/checklist into, or attach it to, the site log book. At a minimum, each inspection report or checklist must include:
  - a. Inspection date and time.
  - b. Weather information, the general conditions during inspection and the approximate amount of precipitation since the last inspection, and precipitation within the last 24 hours.
  - c. A summary or list of all implemented BMPs, including observations of all erosion/sediment control structures or practices.
  - d. A description of the locations:
    - i. Of BMPs inspected;
    - ii. Of BMPs that need maintenance and why;
    - iii. Of BMPs that failed to operate as designed or intended; and
    - iv. Where additional or different BMPs are needed, and why.
  - e. A description of stormwater discharged from the site. The Permittee must note the presence of suspended sediment, turbidity, discoloration, and oil sheen, as applicable.
  - f. Any water quality monitoring performed during inspection.
  - g. General comments and notes, including a brief description of any BMP repairs, maintenance or installations made following the inspection.
  - h. A summary report and a schedule of implementation of the remedial actions that the Permittee plans to take if the site inspection indicates that the site is out of compliance. The remedial actions taken must meet the requirements of the SWPPP and the permit.

i. The name, title, and signature of the person conducting the site inspection, a phone number or other reliable method to reach this person, and the following statement: "I certify that this report is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief."

**Table 3: Summary of Primary Monitoring Requirements** 

Size of Soil Disturbance <sup>1</sup>	Weekly Site Inspections	Weekly Sampling w/ Turbidity Meter	Weekly Sampling w/ Transparency Tube	Weekly pH Sampling <sup>2</sup>	CESCL Required for Inspections?
Sites that disturb less than 1 acre, but are part of a larger Common Plan of Development	Required	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required	No
Sites that disturb 1 acre or more, but fewer than 5 acres	Required	Sampling Required – either method³		Required	Yes
Sites that disturb 5 acres or more	Required	Required	Not Required⁴	Required	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Soil disturbance is calculated by adding together all areas that will be affected by construction activity. Construction activity means clearing, grading, excavation, and any other activity that disturbs the surface of the land, including ingress/egress from the site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If construction activity results in the disturbance of 1 acre or more, and involves significant concrete work (1,000 cubic yards of poured concrete or recycled concrete over the life of a project) or the use of engineered soils (soil amendments including but not limited to Portland cement-treated base [CTB], cement kiln dust [CKD], or fly ash), and stormwater from the affected area drains to surface waters of the State or to a storm sewer stormwater collection system that drains to other surface waters of the State, the Permittee must conduct pH sampling in accordance with Special Condition S4.D.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Sites with one or more acres, but fewer than 5 acres of soil disturbance, must conduct turbidity or transparency sampling in accordance with Special Condition S4.C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Sites equal to or greater than 5 acres of soil disturbance must conduct turbidity sampling using a turbidity meter in accordance with Special Condition S4.C.

# C. Turbidity/Transparency Sampling Requirements

# 1. Sampling Methods

- a. If construction activity involves the disturbance of 5 acres or more, the Permittee must conduct turbidity sampling per Special Condition S4.C.
- b. If construction activity involves 1 acre or more but fewer than 5 acres of soil disturbance, the Permittee must conduct either transparency sampling **or** turbidity sampling per Special Condition S4.C.

# 2. Sampling Frequency

- a. The Permittee must sample all discharge points at least once every calendar week when stormwater (or authorized non-stormwater) discharges from the site or enters any on-site surface waters of the state (for example, a creek running through a site); sampling is not required on sites that disturb less than an acre.
- b. Samples must be representative of the flow and characteristics of the discharge.
- c. Sampling is not required when there is no discharge during a calendar week.
- d. Sampling is not required outside of normal working hours or during unsafe conditions.
- e. If the Permittee is unable to sample during a monitoring period, the Permittee must include a brief explanation in the monthly Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR).
- f. Sampling is not required before construction activity begins.
- g. The Permittee may reduce the sampling frequency for temporarily stabilized, inactive sites to once every calendar month.

# 3. Sampling Locations

- a. Sampling is required at all points where stormwater associated with construction activity (or authorized non-stormwater) is discharged off site, including where it enters any on-site surface waters of the state (for example, a creek running through a site).
- b. The Permittee may discontinue sampling at discharge points that drain areas of the project that are fully stabilized to prevent erosion.
- c. The Permittee must identify all sampling point(s) on the SWPPP site map and clearly mark these points in the field with a flag, tape, stake or other visible marker.
- d. Sampling is not required for discharge that is sent directly to sanitary or combined sewer systems.

e. The Permittee may discontinue sampling at discharge points in areas of the project where the Permittee no longer has operational control of the construction activity.

# 4. Sampling and Analysis Methods

- a. The Permittee performs turbidity analysis with a calibrated turbidity meter (turbidimeter) either on site or at an accredited lab. The Permittee must record the results in the site log book in nephelometric turbidity units (NTUs).
- b. The Permittee performs transparency analysis on site with a 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch-diameter, 60-centimeter (cm)-long transparency tube. The Permittee will record the results in the site log book in centimeters (cm).

Table 4: Monitoring and Reporting Requirements

Parameter	Unit	Analytical Method	Sampling Frequency	Benchmark Value	Phone Reporting Trigger Value
Turbidity	NTU	SM2130	Weekly, if discharging	25 NTUs	250 NTUs
Transparency	cm	Manufacturer instructions, or Ecology guidance	Weekly, if discharging	33 cm	6 cm

# 5. Turbidity/Transparency Benchmark Values and Reporting Triggers

The benchmark value for turbidity is 25 NTUs or less. The benchmark value for transparency is 33 centimeters (cm). Note: Benchmark values do not apply to discharges to segments of water bodies on Washington State's 303(d) list (Category 5) for turbidity, fine sediment, or phosphorus; these discharges are subject to a numeric effluent limit for turbidity. Refer to Special Condition S8 for more information.

a. Turbidity 26 - 249 NTUs, or Transparency 32 - 7 cm:

If the discharge turbidity is 26 to 249 NTUs; or if discharge transparency is less than 33 cm, but equal to or greater than 6 cm, the Permittee must:

- i. Review the SWPPP for compliance with Special Condition S9 and make appropriate revisions within 7 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark.
- ii. Immediately begin the process to fully implement and maintain appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible, addressing the problems within 10 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when the Permittee requests an extension within the initial 10-day response period.

- iii. Document BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.
- b. Turbidity 250 NTUs or greater, or Transparency 6 cm or less:

If a discharge point's turbidity is 250 NTUs or greater, or if discharge transparency is less than or equal to 6 cm, the Permittee must complete the reporting and adaptive management process described below.

- i. Telephone or submit an electronic report to the applicable Ecology Region's Environmental Report Tracking System (ERTS) number (or through Ecology's Water Quality Permitting Portal [WQWebPortal] Permit Submittals when the form is available) within 24 hours, in accordance with Special Condition S5.A.
  - **Central Region** (Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Yakima, Klickitat, Benton): (509) 575-2490
  - **Eastern Region** (Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman): (509) 329-3400
  - **Northwest Region** (Kitsap, Snohomish, Island, King, San Juan, Skagit, Whatcom): (425) 649-7000
  - **Southwest Region** (Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Thurston, Pierce, Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania, Wahkiakum, Clallam, Jefferson, Pacific): (360) 407-6300

Links to these numbers and the ERTS reporting page are located on the following web site:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html.

- ii. Review the SWPPP for compliance with Special Condition S9 and make appropriate revisions within 7 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark.
- iii. Immediately begin the process to fully implement and maintain appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible, addressing the problems within 10 days of the date the discharge exceeded the benchmark. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when the Permittee requests an extension within the initial 10-day response period.
- iv. Document BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.
- v. Sample discharges daily until:
  - a) Turbidity is 25 NTUs (or lower); or
  - b) Transparency is 33 cm (or greater); or

- c) The Permittee has demonstrated compliance with the water quality limit for turbidity:
  - 1) No more than 5 NTUs over background turbidity, if background is less than 50 NTUs, *or*
  - 2) No more than 10% over background turbidity, if background is 50 NTUs or greater; *or*
- d) The discharge stops or is eliminated.
- D. pH Sampling Requirements Significant Concrete Work or Engineered Soils

If construction activity results in the disturbance of 1 acre or more, *and* involves significant concrete work (significant concrete work means greater than 1000 cubic yards poured concrete or recycled concrete used over the life of a project) or the use of engineered soils (soil amendments including but not limited to Portland cement-treated base [CTB], cement kiln dust [CKD], or fly ash), and stormwater from the affected area drains to surface waters of the State or to a storm sewer system that drains to surface waters of the State, the Permittee must conduct pH sampling as set forth below. Note: In addition, discharges to segments of water bodies on Washington State's 303(d) list (Category 5) for high pH are subject to a numeric effluent limit for pH; refer to Special Condition S8.

- 1. For sites with significant concrete work, the Permittee must begin the pH sampling period when the concrete is first poured and exposed to precipitation, and continue weekly throughout and after the concrete pour and curing period, until stormwater pH is in the range of 6.5 to 8.5 (su).
- 2. For sites with recycled concrete where monitoring is required, the Permittee must begin the weekly pH sampling period when the recycled concrete is first exposed to precipitation and must continue until the recycled concrete is fully stabilized with the stormwater pH in the range of 6.5 to 8.5 (su).
- 3. For sites with engineered soils, the Permittee must begin the pH sampling period when the soil amendments are first exposed to precipitation and must continue until the area of engineered soils is fully stabilized.
- 4. During the applicable pH monitoring period defined above, the Permittee must obtain a representative sample of stormwater and conduct pH analysis at least once per week.
- 5. The Permittee must sample pH in the sediment trap/pond(s) or other locations that receive stormwater runoff from the area of significant concrete work or engineered soils before the stormwater discharges to surface waters.
- 6. The benchmark value for pH is 8.5 standard units. Anytime sampling indicates that pH is 8.5 or greater, the Permittee must either:

- a. Prevent the high pH water (8.5 or above) from entering storm sewer systems or surface waters; *or*
- b. If necessary, adjust or neutralize the high pH water until it is in the range of pH 6.5 to 8.5 (su) using an appropriate treatment BMP such as carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) sparging or dry ice. The Permittee must obtain written approval from Ecology before using any form of chemical treatment other than CO<sub>2</sub> sparging or dry ice.
- 7. The Permittee must perform pH analysis on site with a calibrated pH meter, pH test kit, or wide range pH indicator paper. The Permittee must record pH sampling results in the site log book.

# **S5. REPORTING AND RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS**

# A. High Turbidity Reporting

Anytime sampling performed in accordance with Special Condition S4.C indicates turbidity has reached the 250 NTUs or more (or transparency less than or equal to 6 cm) high turbidity reporting level, the Permittee must either call the applicable Ecology Region's Environmental Report Tracking System (ERTS) number by phone within 24 hours of analysis or submit an electronic ERTS report (or submit an electronic report through Ecology's Water Quality Permitting Portal (WQWebPortal) – Permit Submittals when the form is available). See the CSWGP web site for links to ERTS and the WQWebPortal: <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/index.html</a>. Also, see phone numbers in Special Condition S4.C.5.b.i.

# B. Discharge Monitoring Reports (DMRs)

Permittees required to conduct water quality sampling in accordance with Special Conditions S4.C (Turbidity/Transparency), S4.D (pH), S8 (303[d]/TMDL sampling), and/or G13 (Additional Sampling) must submit the results to Ecology.

Permittees must submit monitoring data using Ecology's WQWebDMR web application accessed through Ecology's Water Quality Permitting Portal. To find out more information and to sign up for WQWebDMR go to: <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/portal.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/portal.html</a>.

Permittees unable to submit electronically (for example, those who do not have an internet connection) must contact Ecology to request a waiver and obtain instructions on how to obtain a paper copy DMR at:

Department of Ecology Water Quality Program - Construction Stormwater PO Box 47696 Olympia, Washington 98504-7696

Permittees who obtain a waiver not to use WQWebDMR must use the forms provided to them by Ecology; submittals must be mailed to the address above. Permittees shall

submit DMR forms to be received by Ecology within 15 days following the end of each month.

If there was no discharge during a given monitoring period, all Permittees must submit a DMR as required with "no discharge" entered in place of the monitoring results. DMRs are required for the full duration of permit coverage (from issuance date to termination). For more information, contact Ecology staff using information provided at the following web site: <a href="https://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/contacts.html">www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/permits/paris/contacts.html</a>.

## C. Records Retention

The Permittee must retain records of all monitoring information (site log book, sampling results, inspection reports/checklists, etc.), Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, copy of the permit coverage letter (including Transfer of Coverage documentation), and any other documentation of compliance with permit requirements for the entire life of the construction project and for a minimum of three years following the termination of permit coverage. Such information must include all calibration and maintenance records, and records of all data used to complete the application for this permit. This period of retention must be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the Permittee or when requested by Ecology.

# D. Recording Results

For each measurement or sample taken, the Permittee must record the following information:

- 1. Date, place, method, and time of sampling or measurement.
- 2. The first and last name of the individual who performed the sampling or measurement.
- 3. The date(s) the analyses were performed.
- 4. The first and last name of the individual who performed the analyses.
- 5. The analytical techniques or methods used.
- 6. The results of all analyses.

## E. Additional Monitoring by the Permittee

If the Permittee monitors any pollutant more frequently than required by this permit using test procedures specified by Special Condition S4 of this permit, the results of this monitoring must be included in the calculation and reporting of the data submitted in the Permittee's DMR.

## F. Noncompliance Notification

In the event the Permittee is unable to comply with any part of the terms and conditions of this permit, and the resulting noncompliance may cause a threat to human health or the environment (such as but not limited to spills of fuels or other materials, catastrophic pond or slope failure, and discharges that violate water quality standards), or exceed

numeric effluent limitations (see S8. Discharges to 303(d) or TMDL Waterbodies), the Permittee must, upon becoming aware of the circumstance:

- 1. Notify Ecology within 24-hours of the failure to comply by calling the applicable Regional office ERTS phone number (refer to Special Condition S4.C.5.b.i. or <a href="https://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/turbidity.html">www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/turbidity.html</a> for Regional ERTS phone numbers).
- 2. Immediately take action to prevent the discharge/pollution, or otherwise stop or correct the noncompliance, and, if applicable, repeat sampling and analysis of any noncompliance immediately and submit the results to Ecology within five (5) days of becoming aware of the violation.
- 3. Submit a detailed written report to Ecology within five (5) days, of the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances, unless requested earlier by Ecology. The report must be submitted using Ecology's Water Quality Permitting Portal (WQWebPortal) Permit Submittals, unless a waiver from electronic reporting has been granted according to S5.B. The report must contain a description of the noncompliance, including exact dates and times, and if the noncompliance has not been corrected, the anticipated time it is expected to continue; and the steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the noncompliance.

The Permittee must report any unanticipated bypass and/or upset that exceeds any effluent limit in the permit in accordance with the 24-hour reporting requirement contained in 40 C.F.R. 122.41(1)(6).

Compliance with these requirements does not relieve the Permittee from responsibility to maintain continuous compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit or the resulting liability for failure to comply. Upon request of the Permittee, Ecology may waive the requirement for a written report on a case-by-case basis, if the immediate notification is received by Ecology within 24 hours.

## G. Access to Plans and Records

- 1. The Permittee must retain the following permit documentation (plans and records) on site, or within reasonable access to the site, for use by the operator or for on-site review by Ecology or the local jurisdiction:
  - a. General Permit
  - b. Permit Coverage Letter
  - c. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
  - d. Site Log Book
- 2. The Permittee must address written requests for plans and records listed above (Special Condition S5.G.1) as follows:

- a. The Permittee must provide a copy of plans and records to Ecology within 14 days of receipt of a written request from Ecology.
- b. The Permittee must provide a copy of plans and records to the public when requested in writing. Upon receiving a written request from the public for the Permittee's plans and records, the Permittee must either:
  - i. Provide a copy of the plans and records to the requester within 14 days of a receipt of the written request; *or*
  - ii. Notify the requester within 10 days of receipt of the written request of the location and times within normal business hours when the plans and records may be viewed; and provide access to the plans and records within 14 days of receipt of the written request; *or*
  - iii. Within 14 days of receipt of the written request, the Permittee may submit a copy of the plans and records to Ecology for viewing and/or copying by the requester at an Ecology office, or a mutually agreed location. If plans and records are viewed and/or copied at a location other than at an Ecology office, the Permittee will provide reasonable access to copying services for which a reasonable fee may be charged. The Permittee must notify the requester within 10 days of receipt of the request where the plans and records may be viewed and/or copied.

#### **S6. PERMIT FEES**

The Permittee must pay permit fees assessed by Ecology. Fees for stormwater discharges covered under this permit are established by Chapter 173-224 WAC. Ecology continues to assess permit fees until the permit is terminated in accordance with Special Condition S10 or revoked in accordance with General Condition G5.

# S7. SOLID AND LIQUID WASTE DISPOSAL

The Permittee must handle and dispose of solid and liquid wastes generated by construction activity, such as demolition debris, construction materials, contaminated materials, and waste materials from maintenance activities, including liquids and solids from cleaning catch basins and other stormwater facilities, in accordance with:

- A. Special Condition S3, Compliance with Standards
- B. WAC 173-216-110
- C. Other applicable regulations

# S8. DISCHARGES TO 303(d) OR TMDL WATERBODIES

A. Sampling and Numeric Effluent Limits For Certain Discharges to 303(d)-listed Waterbodies

- 1. Permittees who discharge to segments of waterbodies listed as impaired by the State of Washington under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act for turbidity, fine sediment, high pH, or phosphorus, must conduct water quality sampling according to the requirements of this section, and Special Conditions S4.C.2.b-f and S4.C.3.b-d, and must comply with the applicable numeric effluent limitations in S8.C and S8.D.
- 2. All references and requirements associated with Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act mean the most current listing by Ecology of impaired waters (Category 5) that exists on January 1, 2016, or the date when the operator's complete permit application is received by Ecology, whichever is later.
- B. Limits on Coverage for New Discharges to TMDL or 303(d)-listed Waters

Operators of construction sites that discharge to a TMDL or 303(d)-listed waterbody are not eligible for coverage under this permit *unless* the operator:

- 1. Prevents exposing stormwater to pollutants for which the waterbody is impaired, and retains documentation in the SWPPP that details procedures taken to prevent exposure on site; *or*
- 2. Documents that the pollutants for which the waterbody is impaired are not present at the site, and retains documentation of this finding within the SWPPP; *or*
- 3. Provides Ecology with data indicating the discharge is not expected to cause or contribute to an exceedance of a water quality standard, and retains such data on site with the SWPPP. The operator must provide data and other technical information to Ecology that sufficiently demonstrate:
  - a. For discharges to waters without an EPA-approved or -established TMDL, that the discharge of the pollutant for which the water is impaired will meet instream water quality criteria at the point of discharge to the waterbody; *or*
  - b. For discharges to waters with an EPA-approved or -established TMDL, that there is sufficient remaining wasteload allocation in the TMDL to allow construction stormwater discharge and that existing dischargers to the waterbody are subject to compliance schedules designed to bring the waterbody into attainment with water quality standards.

Operators of construction sites are eligible for coverage under this permit if Ecology issues permit coverage based upon an affirmative determination that the discharge will not cause or contribute to the existing impairment.

- C. Sampling and Numeric Effluent Limits for Discharges to Water Bodies on the 303(d) List for Turbidity, Fine Sediment, or Phosphorus
  - 1. Permittees who discharge to segments of water bodies on the 303(d) list (Category 5) for turbidity, fine sediment, or phosphorus must conduct turbidity sampling in accordance with Special Condition S4.C.2 and comply with either of the numeric effluent limits noted in Table 5 below.

- 2. As an alternative to the 25 NTUs effluent limit noted in Table 5 below (applied at the point where stormwater [or authorized non-stormwater] is discharged off-site), Permittees may choose to comply with the surface water quality standard for turbidity. The standard is: no more than 5 NTUs over background turbidity when the background turbidity is 50 NTUs or less, or no more than a 10% increase in turbidity when the background turbidity is more than 50 NTUs. In order to use the water quality standard requirement, the sampling must take place at the following locations:
  - a. Background turbidity in the 303(d)-listed receiving water immediately upstream (upgradient) or outside the area of influence of the discharge.
  - b. Turbidity at the point of discharge into the 303(d)-listed receiving water, inside the area of influence of the discharge.
- 3. Discharges that exceed the numeric effluent limit for turbidity constitute a violation of this permit.
- 4. Permittees whose discharges exceed the numeric effluent limit shall sample discharges daily until the violation is corrected and comply with the non-compliance notification requirements in Special Condition S5.F.

Table 5: Turbidity, Fine Sediment & Phosphorus Sampling and Limits for 303(d)-Listed Waters

Parameter identified in 303(d) listing	Parameter Sampled	Unit	Analytical Method	Sampling Frequency	Numeric Effluent Limit <sup>1</sup>
<ul><li>Turbidity</li><li>Fine Sediment</li><li>Phosphorus</li></ul>	Turbidity	NTU	SM2130	Weekly, if discharging	25 NTUs, at the point where stormwater is discharged from the site; OR In compliance with the surface water quality standard for turbidity (S8.C.2.a)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Permittees subject to a numeric effluent limit for turbidity may, at their discretion, choose either numeric effluent limitation based on site-specific considerations including, but not limited to, safety, access and convenience.

## D. Discharges to Water Bodies on the 303(d) List for High pH

1. Permittees who discharge to segments of water bodies on the 303(d) list (Category 5) for high pH must conduct pH sampling in accordance with the table below, and comply with the numeric effluent limit of pH 6.5 to 8.5 su (Table 6).

Table 6: pH Sampling and Limits for 303(d)-Listed Waters

Parameter identified in 303(d) listing	Parameter	Analytical	Sampling	Numeric Effluent
	Sampled/Units	Method	Frequency	Limit
High pH	pH /Standard Units	pH meter	Weekly, if discharging	In the range of 6.5 – 8.5

- 2. At the Permittee's discretion, compliance with the limit shall be assessed at one of the following locations:
  - a. Directly in the 303(d)-listed waterbody segment, inside the immediate area of influence of the discharge; or
  - b. Alternatively, the Permittee may measure pH at the point where the discharge leaves the construction site, rather than in the receiving water.
- 3. Discharges that exceed the numeric effluent limit for pH (outside the range of 6.5 8.5 su) constitute a violation of this permit.
- 4. Permittees whose discharges exceed the numeric effluent limit shall sample discharges daily until the violation is corrected and comply with the non-compliance notification requirements in Special Condition S5.F.
- E. Sampling and Limits for Sites Discharging to Waters Covered by a TMDL or Another Pollution Control Plan
  - 1. Discharges to a waterbody that is subject to a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for turbidity, fine sediment, high pH, or phosphorus must be consistent with the TMDL. Refer to <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/tmdl/TMDLsbyWria/TMDLbyWria.html">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/tmdl/TMDLsbyWria/TMDLbyWria.html</a> for more information on TMDLs.
    - a. Where an applicable TMDL sets specific waste load allocations or requirements for discharges covered by this permit, discharges must be consistent with any specific waste load allocations or requirements established by the applicable TMDL.
      - i. The Permittee must sample discharges weekly or as otherwise specified by the TMDL to evaluate compliance with the specific waste load allocations or requirements.
      - ii. Analytical methods used to meet the monitoring requirements must conform to the latest revision of the Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants contained in 40 CFR Part 136. Turbidity and pH methods need not be accredited or registered unless conducted at a laboratory which must otherwise be accredited or registered.
    - b. Where an applicable TMDL has established a general waste load allocation for construction stormwater discharges, but has not identified specific requirements,

- compliance with Special Conditions S4 (Monitoring) and S9 (SWPPPs) will constitute compliance with the approved TMDL.
- c. Where an applicable TMDL has not specified a waste load allocation for construction stormwater discharges, but has not excluded these discharges, compliance with Special Conditions S4 (Monitoring) and S9 (SWPPPs) will constitute compliance with the approved TMDL.
- d. Where an applicable TMDL specifically precludes or prohibits discharges from construction activity, the operator is not eligible for coverage under this permit.
- 2. Applicable TMDL means a TMDL for turbidity, fine sediment, high pH, or phosphorus that is completed and approved by EPA before January 1, 2016, or before the date the operator's complete permit application is received by Ecology, whichever is later. TMDLs completed after the operator's complete permit application is received by Ecology become applicable to the Permittee only if they are imposed through an administrative order by Ecology, or through a modification of permit coverage.

#### **S9. STORMWATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN**

The Permittee must prepare and properly implement an adequate Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for construction activity in accordance with the requirements of this permit beginning with initial soil disturbance and until final stabilization.

- A. The Permittee's SWPPP must meet the following objectives:
  - 1. To implement best management practices (BMPs) to prevent erosion and sedimentation, and to identify, reduce, eliminate or prevent stormwater contamination and water pollution from construction activity.
  - 2. To prevent violations of surface water quality, ground water quality, or sediment management standards.
  - 3. To control peak volumetric flow rates and velocities of stormwater discharges.

# B. General Requirements

- 1. The SWPPP must include a narrative and drawings. All BMPs must be clearly referenced in the narrative and marked on the drawings. The SWPPP narrative must include documentation to explain and justify the pollution prevention decisions made for the project. Documentation must include:
  - a. Information about existing site conditions (topography, drainage, soils, vegetation, etc.).
  - b. Potential erosion problem areas.
  - c. The 13 elements of a SWPPP in Special Condition S9.D.1-13, including BMPs used to address each element.

- d. Construction phasing/sequence and general BMP implementation schedule.
- e. The actions to be taken if BMP performance goals are not achieved—for example, a contingency plan for additional treatment and/or storage of stormwater that would violate the water quality standards if discharged.
- f. Engineering calculations for ponds, treatment systems, and any other designed structures. When a treatment system requires engineering calculations, these calculations must be included in the SWPPP. Engineering calculations do not need to be included in the SWPPP for treatment systems that do not require such calculations.
- 2. The Permittee must modify the SWPPP if, during inspections or investigations conducted by the owner/operator, or the applicable local or state regulatory authority, it is determined that the SWPPP is, or would be, ineffective in eliminating or significantly minimizing pollutants in stormwater discharges from the site. The Permittee must then:
  - a. Review the SWPPP for compliance with Special Condition S9 and make appropriate revisions within 7 days of the inspection or investigation.
  - b. Immediately begin the process to fully implement and maintain appropriate source control and/or treatment BMPs as soon as possible, addressing the problems no later than 10 days from the inspection or investigation. If installation of necessary treatment BMPs is not feasible within 10 days, Ecology may approve additional time when an extension is requested by a Permittee within the initial 10-day response period.
  - c. Document BMP implementation and maintenance in the site log book.

The Permittee must modify the SWPPP whenever there is a change in design, construction, operation, or maintenance at the construction site that has, or could have, a significant effect on the discharge of pollutants to waters of the State.

# C. Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs)

#### BMPs must be consistent with:

- 1. Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington (most current approved edition at the time this permit was issued), for sites west of the crest of the Cascade Mountains; *or*
- 2. Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington (most current approved edition at the time this permit was issued), for sites east of the crest of the Cascade Mountains; *or*
- 3. Revisions to the manuals listed in Special Condition S9.C.1. & 2., or other stormwater management guidance documents or manuals which provide an equivalent level of pollution prevention, that are approved by Ecology and incorporated into this permit in accordance with the permit modification requirements of WAC 173-226-230; *or*

- 4. Documentation in the SWPPP that the BMPs selected provide an equivalent level of pollution prevention, compared to the applicable Stormwater Management Manuals, including:
  - a. The technical basis for the selection of all stormwater BMPs (scientific, technical studies, and/or modeling) that support the performance claims for the BMPs being selected.
  - b. An assessment of how the selected BMP will satisfy AKART requirements and the applicable federal technology-based treatment requirements under 40 CFR part 125.3.

# D. SWPPP – Narrative Contents and Requirements

The Permittee must include each of the 13 elements below in Special Condition S9.D.1-13 in the narrative of the SWPPP and implement them unless site conditions render the element unnecessary and the exemption from that element is clearly justified in the SWPPP.

## 1. Preserve Vegetation/Mark Clearing Limits

- a. Before beginning land-disturbing activities, including clearing and grading, clearly mark all clearing limits, sensitive areas and their buffers, and trees that are to be preserved within the construction area.
- b. Retain the duff layer, native topsoil, and natural vegetation in an undisturbed state to the maximum degree practicable.

## 2. Establish Construction Access

- a. Limit construction vehicle access and exit to one route, if possible.
- b. Stabilize access points with a pad of quarry spalls, crushed rock, or other equivalent BMPs, to minimize tracking sediment onto roads.
- c. Locate wheel wash or tire baths on site, if the stabilized construction entrance is not effective in preventing tracking sediment onto roads.
- d. If sediment is tracked off site, clean the affected roadway thoroughly at the end of each day, or more frequently as necessary (for example, during wet weather). Remove sediment from roads by shoveling, sweeping, or pickup and transport of the sediment to a controlled sediment disposal area.
- e. Conduct street washing only after sediment removal in accordance with Special Condition S9.D.2.d. Control street wash wastewater by pumping back on site or otherwise preventing it from discharging into systems tributary to waters of the State.

## 3. Control Flow Rates

a. Protect properties and waterways downstream of development sites from erosion and the associated discharge of turbid waters due to increases in the

- velocity and peak volumetric flow rate of stormwater runoff from the project site, as required by local plan approval authority.
- b. Where necessary to comply with Special Condition S9.D.3.a, construct stormwater retention or detention facilities as one of the first steps in grading. Assure that detention facilities function properly before constructing site improvements (for example, impervious surfaces).
- c. If permanent infiltration ponds are used for flow control during construction, protect these facilities from siltation during the construction phase.

#### 4. Install Sediment Controls

The Permittee must design, install and maintain effective erosion controls and sediment controls to minimize the discharge of pollutants. At a minimum, the Permittee must design, install and maintain such controls to:

- a. Construct sediment control BMPs (sediment ponds, traps, filters, infiltration facilities, etc.) as one of the first steps in grading. These BMPs must be functional before other land disturbing activities take place.
- b. Minimize sediment discharges from the site. The design, installation and maintenance of erosion and sediment controls must address factors such as the amount, frequency, intensity and duration of precipitation, the nature of resulting stormwater runoff, and soil characteristics, including the range of soil particle sizes expected to be present on the site.
- c. Direct stormwater runoff from disturbed areas through a sediment pond or other appropriate sediment removal BMP, before the runoff leaves a construction site or before discharge to an infiltration facility. Runoff from fully stabilized areas may be discharged without a sediment removal BMP, but must meet the flow control performance standard of Special Condition S9.D.3.a.
- d. Locate BMPs intended to trap sediment on site in a manner to avoid interference with the movement of juvenile salmonids attempting to enter off-channel areas or drainages.
- e. Provide and maintain natural buffers around surface waters, direct stormwater to vegetated areas to increase sediment removal and maximize stormwater infiltration, unless infeasible.
- f. Where feasible, design outlet structures that withdraw impounded stormwater from the surface to avoid discharging sediment that is still suspended lower in the water column.

#### 5. Stabilize Soils

a. The Permittee must stabilize exposed and unworked soils by application of effective BMPs that prevent erosion. Applicable BMPs include, but are not limited to: temporary and permanent seeding, sodding, mulching, plastic covering, erosion control fabrics and matting, soil application of polyacrylamide

- (PAM), the early application of gravel base on areas to be paved, and dust control.
- b. The Permittee must control stormwater volume and velocity within the site to minimize soil erosion.
- c. The Permittee must control stormwater discharges, including both peak flow rates and total stormwater volume, to minimize erosion at outlets and to minimize downstream channel and stream bank erosion.
- d. Depending on the geographic location of the project, the Permittee must not allow soils to remain exposed and unworked for more than the time periods set forth below to prevent erosion:

West of the Cascade Mountains Crest During the dry season (May 1 - September 30): 7 days During the wet season (October 1 - April 30): 2 days

East of the Cascade Mountains Crest, except for Central Basin\* During the dry season (July 1 - September 30): 10 days During the wet season (October 1 - June 30): 5 days

The Central Basin\*, East of the Cascade Mountains Crest During the dry season (July 1 - September 30): 30 days During the wet season (October 1 - June 30): 15 days

\*Note: The Central Basin is defined as the portions of Eastern Washington with mean annual precipitation of less than 12 inches.

- e. The Permittee must stabilize soils at the end of the shift before a holiday or weekend if needed based on the weather forecast.
- f. The Permittee must stabilize soil stockpiles from erosion, protected with sediment trapping measures, and where possible, be located away from storm drain inlets, waterways, and drainage channels.
- g. The Permittee must minimize the amount of soil exposed during construction activity.
- h. The Permittee must minimize the disturbance of steep slopes.
- i. The Permittee must minimize soil compaction and, unless infeasible, preserve topsoil.

# 6. Protect Slopes

a. The Permittee must design and construct cut-and-fill slopes in a manner to minimize erosion. Applicable practices include, but are not limited to, reducing continuous length of slope with terracing and diversions, reducing slope steepness, and roughening slope surfaces (for example, track walking).

- b. The Permittee must divert off-site stormwater (run-on) or ground water away from slopes and disturbed areas with interceptor dikes, pipes, and/or swales. Off-site stormwater should be managed separately from stormwater generated on the site.
- c. At the top of slopes, collect drainage in pipe slope drains or protected channels to prevent erosion.
  - i. West of the Cascade Mountains Crest: Temporary pipe slope drains must handle the peak 10-minute flow rate from a Type 1A, 10-year, 24-hour frequency storm for the developed condition. Alternatively, the 10-year, 1-hour flow rate predicted by an approved continuous runoff model, increased by a factor of 1.6, may be used. The hydrologic analysis must use the existing land cover condition for predicting flow rates from tributary areas outside the project limits. For tributary areas on the project site, the analysis must use the temporary or permanent project land cover condition, whichever will produce the highest flow rates. If using the Western Washington Hydrology Model (WWHM) to predict flows, bare soil areas should be modeled as "landscaped area."
  - ii. East of the Cascade Mountains Crest: Temporary pipe slope drains must handle the expected peak flow rate from a 6-month, 3-hour storm for the developed condition, referred to as the short duration storm.
- d. Place excavated material on the uphill side of trenches, consistent with safety and space considerations.
- e. Place check dams at regular intervals within constructed channels that are cut down a slope.

#### 7. Protect Drain Inlets

- a. Protect all storm drain inlets made operable during construction so that stormwater runoff does not enter the conveyance system without first being filtered or treated to remove sediment.
- b. Clean or remove and replace inlet protection devices when sediment has filled one-third of the available storage (unless a different standard is specified by the product manufacturer).

# 8. Stabilize Channels and Outlets

- a. Design, construct and stabilize all on-site conveyance channels to prevent erosion from the following expected peak flows:
  - i. West of the Cascade Mountains Crest: Channels must handle the peak 10-minute flow rate from a Type 1A, 10-year, 24-hour frequency storm for the developed condition. Alternatively, the 10-year, 1-hour flow rate indicated by an approved continuous runoff model, increased by a factor of 1.6, may be used. The hydrologic analysis must use the existing land

cover condition for predicting flow rates from tributary areas outside the project limits. For tributary areas on the project site, the analysis must use the temporary or permanent project land cover condition, whichever will produce the highest flow rates. If using the WWHM to predict flows, bare soil areas should be modeled as "landscaped area."

- ii. East of the Cascade Mountains Crest: Channels must handle the expected peak flow rate from a 6-month, 3-hour storm for the developed condition, referred to as the short duration storm.
- b. Provide stabilization, including armoring material, adequate to prevent erosion of outlets, adjacent stream banks, slopes, and downstream reaches at the outlets of all conveyance systems.

#### 9. Control Pollutants

Design, install, implement and maintain effective pollution prevention measures to minimize the discharge of pollutants. The Permittee must:

- a. Handle and dispose of all pollutants, including waste materials and demolition debris that occur on site in a manner that does not cause contamination of stormwater.
- b. Provide cover, containment, and protection from vandalism for all chemicals, liquid products, petroleum products, and other materials that have the potential to pose a threat to human health or the environment. On-site fueling tanks must include secondary containment. Secondary containment means placing tanks or containers within an impervious structure capable of containing 110% of the volume contained in the largest tank within the containment structure. Double-walled tanks do not require additional secondary containment.
- c. Conduct maintenance, fueling, and repair of heavy equipment and vehicles using spill prevention and control measures. Clean contaminated surfaces immediately following any spill incident.
- d. Discharge wheel wash or tire bath wastewater to a separate on-site treatment system that prevents discharge to surface water, such as closed-loop recirculation or upland land application, or to the sanitary sewer with local sewer district approval.
- e. Apply fertilizers and pesticides in a manner and at application rates that will not result in loss of chemical to stormwater runoff. Follow manufacturers' label requirements for application rates and procedures.
- f. Use BMPs to prevent contamination of stormwater runoff by pH-modifying sources. The sources for this contamination include, but are not limited to: bulk cement, cement kiln dust, fly ash, new concrete washing and curing waters, recycled concrete stockpiles, waste streams generated from concrete grinding and sawing, exposed aggregate processes, dewatering concrete vaults, concrete

- pumping and mixer washout waters. (Also refer to the definition for "concrete wastewater" in Appendix A--Definitions.)
- g. Adjust the pH of stormwater or authorized non-stormwater if necessary to prevent an exceedance of groundwater and/or surface water quality standards.
- h. Assure that washout of concrete trucks is performed off-site or in designated concrete washout areas only. Do not wash out concrete truck drums or concrete handling equipment onto the ground, or into storm drains, open ditches, streets, or streams. Washout of concrete handling equipment may be disposed of in a designated concrete washout area or in a formed area awating concrete where it will not contaminate surface or ground water. Do not dump excess concrete on site, except in designated concrete washout areas. Concrete spillage or concrete discharge directly to groundwater or surface waters of the State is prohibited. Do not wash out to formed areas awaiting LID facilities.
- i. Obtain written approval from Ecology before using any chemical treatment, with the exception of CO<sub>2</sub> or dry ice used to adjust pH.
- j. Uncontaminated water from water-only based shaft drilling for construction of building, road, and bridge foundations may be infiltrated provided the wastewater is managed in a way that prohibits discharge to surface waters. Prior to infiltration, water from water-only based shaft drilling that comes into contact with curing concrete must be neutralized until pH is in the range of 6.5 to 8.5 (su).

# 10. Control Dewatering

- a. Permittees must discharge foundation, vault, and trench dewatering water, which have characteristics similar to stormwater runoff at the site, into a controlled conveyance system before discharge to a sediment trap or sediment pond.
- b. Permittees may discharge clean, non-turbid dewatering water, such as well-point ground water, to systems tributary to, or directly into surface waters of the State, as specified in Special Condition S9.D.8, provided the dewatering flow does not cause erosion or flooding of receiving waters. Do not route clean dewatering water through stormwater sediment ponds. Note that "surface waters of the State" may exist on a construction site as well as off site; for example, a creek running through a site.
- c. Other dewatering treatment or disposal options may include:
  - i. Infiltration.
  - ii. Transport off site in a vehicle, such as a vacuum flush truck, for legal disposal in a manner that does not pollute state waters.

- iii. Ecology-approved on-site chemical treatment or other suitable treatment technologies (see S9.D.9.i. regarding chemical treatment written approval).
- iv. Sanitary or combined sewer discharge with local sewer district approval, if there is no other option.
- v. Use of a sedimentation bag with discharge to a ditch or swale for small volumes of localized dewatering.
- d. Permittees must handle highly turbid or contaminated dewatering water separately from stormwater.

#### 11. Maintain BMPs

- a. Permittees must maintain and repair all temporary and permanent erosion and sediment control BMPs as needed to assure continued performance of their intended function in accordance with BMP specifications.
- b. Permittees must remove all temporary erosion and sediment control BMPs within 30 days after achieving final site stabilization or after the temporary BMPs are no longer needed.

# 12. Manage the Project

- a. Phase development projects to the maximum degree practicable and take into account seasonal work limitations.
- b. Inspection and monitoring Inspect, maintain and repair all BMPs as needed to assure continued performance of their intended function. Conduct site inspections and monitoring in accordance with Special Condition S4.
- c. Maintaining an updated construction SWPPP Maintain, update, and implement the SWPPP in accordance with Special Conditions S3, S4 and S9.

## 13. Protect Low Impact Development (LID) BMPs

The primary purpose of LID BMPs/On-site LID Stormwater Management BMPs is to reduce the disruption of the natural site hydrology. LID BMPs are permanent facilities.

a. Permittees must protect all Bioretention and Rain Garden facilities from sedimentation through installation and maintenance of erosion and sediment control BMPs on portions of the site that drain into the Bioretention and/or Rain Garden facilities. Restore the facilities to their fully functioning condition if they accumulate sediment during construction. Restoring the facility must include removal of sediment and any sediment-laden Bioretention/Rain Garden soils, and replacing the removed soils with soils meeting the design specification.

- b. Permittees must maintain the infiltration capabilities of Bioretention and Rain Garden facilities by protecting against compaction by construction equipment and foot traffic. Protect completed lawn and landscaped areas from compaction due to construction equipment.
- c. Permittees must control erosion and avoid introducing sediment from surrounding land uses onto permeable pavements. Do not allow muddy construction equipment on the base material or pavement. Do not allow sediment-laden runoff onto permeable pavements.
- d. Permittees must clean permeable pavements fouled with sediments or no longer passing an initial infiltration test using local stormwater manual methodology or the manufacturer's procedures.
- e. Permittees must keep all heavy equipment off existing soils under LID facilities that have been excavated to final grade to retain the infiltration rate of the soils.

## E. SWPPP – Map Contents and Requirements

The Permittee's SWPPP must also include a vicinity map or general location map (for example, a USGS quadrangle map, a portion of a county or city map, or other appropriate map) with enough detail to identify the location of the construction site and receiving waters within one mile of the site.

The SWPPP must also include a legible site map (or maps) showing the entire construction site. The following features must be identified, unless not applicable due to site conditions:

- 1. The direction of north, property lines, and existing structures and roads.
- 2. Cut and fill slopes indicating the top and bottom of slope catch lines.
- 3. Approximate slopes, contours, and direction of stormwater flow before and after major grading activities.
- 4. Areas of soil disturbance and areas that will not be disturbed.
- 5. Locations of structural and nonstructural controls (BMPs) identified in the SWPPP.
- 6. Locations of off-site material, stockpiles, waste storage, borrow areas, and vehicle/equipment storage areas.
- 7. Locations of all surface water bodies, including wetlands.
- 8. Locations where stormwater or non-stormwater discharges off-site and/or to a surface waterbody, including wetlands.
- 9. Location of water quality sampling station(s), if sampling is required by state or local permitting authority.

- 10. Areas where final stabilization has been accomplished and no further constructionphase permit requirements apply.
- 11. Location or proposed location of LID facilities.

#### S10. NOTICE OF TERMINATION

- A. The site is eligible for termination of coverage when it has met any of the following conditions:
  - 1. The site has undergone final stabilization, the Permittee has removed all temporary BMPs (except biodegradable BMPs clearly manufactured with the intention for the material to be left in place and not interfere with maintenance or land use), and all stormwater discharges associated with construction activity have been eliminated; *or*
  - 2. All portions of the site that have not undergone final stabilization per Special Condition S10.A.1 have been sold and/or transferred (per General Condition G9), and the Permittee no longer has operational control of the construction activity; *or*
  - 3. For residential construction only, the Permittee has completed temporary stabilization and the homeowners have taken possession of the residences.
- B. When the site is eligible for termination, the Permittee must submit a complete and accurate Notice of Termination (NOT) form, signed in accordance with General Condition G2, to:

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When an electronic termination form is available, the Permittee may choose to submit a complete and accurate Notice of Termination (NOT) form through the Water Quality Permitting Portal rather than mailing a hardcopy as noted above.

The termination is effective on the thirty-first calendar day following the date Ecology receives a complete NOT form, unless Ecology notifies the Permittee that the termination request is denied because the Permittee has not met the eligibility requirements in Special Condition S10.A.

Permittees are required to comply with all conditions and effluent limitations in the permit until the permit has been terminated.

Permittees transferring the property to a new property owner or operator/Permittee are required to complete and submit the Notice of Transfer form to Ecology, but are not required to submit a Notice of Termination form for this type of transaction.

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

# G1. DISCHARGE VIOLATIONS

All discharges and activities authorized by this general permit must be consistent with the terms and conditions of this general permit. Any discharge of any pollutant more frequent than or at a level in excess of that identified and authorized by the general permit must constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of this permit.

# G2. SIGNATORY REQUIREMENTS

- A. All permit applications must bear a certification of correctness to be signed:
  - 1. In the case of corporations, by a responsible corporate officer;
  - 2. In the case of a partnership, by a general partner of a partnership;
  - 3. In the case of sole proprietorship, by the proprietor; or
  - 4. In the case of a municipal, state, or other public facility, by either a principal executive officer or ranking elected official.
- B. All reports required by this permit and other information requested by Ecology (including NOIs, NOTs, and Transfer of Coverage forms) must be signed by a person described above or by a duly authorized representative of that person. A person is a duly authorized representative only if:
  - 1. The authorization is made in writing by a person described above and submitted to Ecology.
  - 2. The authorization specifies either an individual or a position having responsibility for the overall operation of the regulated facility, such as the position of plant manager, superintendent, position of equivalent responsibility, or an individual or position having overall responsibility for environmental matters.
- C. Changes to authorization. If an authorization under paragraph G2.B.2 above is no longer accurate because a different individual or position has responsibility for the overall operation of the facility, a new authorization satisfying the requirements of paragraph G2.B.2 above must be submitted to Ecology prior to or together with any reports, information, or applications to be signed by an authorized representative.
- D. Certification. Any person signing a document under this section must make the following certification:
  - "I certify under penalty of law, that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gathered and evaluated the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering information, the information submitted is, to the best of my

knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations."

## G3. RIGHT OF INSPECTION AND ENTRY

The Permittee must allow an authorized representative of Ecology, upon the presentation of credentials and such other documents as may be required by law:

- A. To enter upon the premises where a discharge is located or where any records are kept under the terms and conditions of this permit.
- B. To have access to and copy at reasonable times and at reasonable cost any records required to be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit.
- C. To inspect at reasonable times any facilities, equipment (including monitoring and control equipment), practices, methods, or operations regulated or required under this permit.
- D. To sample or monitor at reasonable times any substances or parameters at any location for purposes of assuring permit compliance or as otherwise authorized by the Clean Water Act.

#### **G4.** GENERAL PERMIT MODIFICATION AND REVOCATION

This permit may be modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 173-226 WAC. Grounds for modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. When a change occurs in the technology or practices for control or abatement of pollutants applicable to the category of dischargers covered under this permit.
- B. When effluent limitation guidelines or standards are promulgated pursuant to the CWA or Chapter 90.48 RCW, for the category of dischargers covered under this permit.
- C. When a water quality management plan containing requirements applicable to the category of dischargers covered under this permit is approved, *or*
- D. When information is obtained that indicates cumulative effects on the environment from dischargers covered under this permit are unacceptable.

#### G5. REVOCATION OF COVERAGE UNDER THE PERMIT

Pursuant to Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 173-226 WAC, the Director may terminate coverage for any discharger under this permit for cause. Cases where coverage may be terminated include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. Violation of any term or condition of this permit.
- B. Obtaining coverage under this permit by misrepresentation or failure to disclose fully all relevant facts.

- C. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or permanent reduction or elimination of the permitted discharge.
- D. Failure or refusal of the Permittee to allow entry as required in RCW 90.48.090.
- E. A determination that the permitted activity endangers human health or the environment, or contributes to water quality standards violations.
- F. Nonpayment of permit fees or penalties assessed pursuant to RCW 90.48.465 and Chapter 173-224 WAC.
- G. Failure of the Permittee to satisfy the public notice requirements of WAC 173-226-130(5), when applicable.

The Director may require any discharger under this permit to apply for and obtain coverage under an individual permit or another more specific general permit. Permittees who have their coverage revoked for cause according to WAC 173-226-240 may request temporary coverage under this permit during the time an individual permit is being developed, provided the request is made within ninety (90) days from the time of revocation and is submitted along with a complete individual permit application form.

#### G6. REPORTING A CAUSE FOR MODIFICATION

The Permittee must submit a new application, or a supplement to the previous application, whenever a material change to the construction activity or in the quantity or type of discharge is anticipated which is not specifically authorized by this permit. This application must be submitted at least sixty (60) days prior to any proposed changes. Filing a request for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or a notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance does not relieve the Permittee of the duty to comply with the existing permit until it is modified or reissued.

#### G7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS AND STATUTES

Nothing in this permit will be construed as excusing the Permittee from compliance with any applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

#### **G8. DUTY TO REAPPLY**

The Permittee must apply for permit renewal at least 180 days prior to the specified expiration date of this permit. The Permittee must reapply using the electronic application form (NOI) available on Ecology's website. Permittees unable to submit electronically (for example, those who do not have an internet connection) must contact Ecology to request a waiver and obtain instructions on how to obtain a paper NOI.

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#### G9. TRANSFER OF GENERAL PERMIT COVERAGE

Coverage under this general permit is automatically transferred to a new discharger, including operators of lots/parcels within a common plan of development or sale, if:

- A. A written agreement (Transfer of Coverage Form) between the current discharger (Permittee) and new discharger, signed by both parties and containing a specific date for transfer of permit responsibility, coverage, and liability (including any Administrative Orders associated with the Permit) is submitted to the Director; and
- B. The Director does not notify the current discharger and new discharger of the Director's intent to revoke coverage under the general permit. If this notice is not given, the transfer is effective on the date specified in the written agreement.

When a current discharger (Permittee) transfers a portion of a permitted site, the current discharger must also submit an updated application form (NOI) to the Director indicating the remaining permitted acreage after the transfer.

## G10. REMOVED SUBSTANCES

The Permittee must not re-suspend or reintroduce collected screenings, grit, solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of stormwater to the final effluent stream for discharge to state waters.

#### G11. DUTY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION

The Permittee must submit to Ecology, within a reasonable time, all information that Ecology may request to determine whether cause exists for modifying, revoking and reissuing, or terminating this permit or to determine compliance with this permit. The Permittee must also submit to Ecology, upon request, copies of records required to be kept by this permit [40 CFR 122.41(h)].

# G12. OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF 40 CFR

All other requirements of 40 CFR 122.41 and 122.42 are incorporated in this permit by reference.

# G13. ADDITIONAL MONITORING

Ecology may establish specific monitoring requirements in addition to those contained in this permit by administrative order or permit modification.

## G14. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING PERMIT CONDITIONS

Any person who is found guilty of willfully violating the terms and conditions of this permit shall be deemed guilty of a crime, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and costs of prosecution, or by imprisonment at the discretion of the court. Each day upon which a willful violation occurs may be deemed a separate and additional violation.

Any person who violates the terms and conditions of a waste discharge permit shall incur, in addition to any other penalty as provided by law, a civil penalty in the amount of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for every such violation. Each and every such violation shall be a separate and distinct offense, and in case of a continuing violation, every day's continuance shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct violation.

## G15. UPSET

Definition – "Upset" means an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with technology-based permit effluent limitations because of factors beyond the reasonable control of the Permittee. An upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, improperly designed treatment facilities, inadequate treatment facilities, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.

An upset constitutes an affirmative defense to an action brought for noncompliance with such technology-based permit effluent limitations if the requirements of the following paragraph are met.

A Permittee who wishes to establish the affirmative defense of upset must demonstrate, through properly signed, contemporaneous operating logs or other relevant evidence that: 1) an upset occurred and that the Permittee can identify the cause(s) of the upset; 2) the permitted facility was being properly operated at the time of the upset; 3) the Permittee submitted notice of the upset as required in Special Condition S5.F, and; 4) the Permittee complied with any remedial measures required under this permit.

In any enforcement proceeding, the Permittee seeking to establish the occurrence of an upset has the burden of proof.

#### G16. PROPERTY RIGHTS

This permit does not convey any property rights of any sort, or any exclusive privilege.

## G17. DUTY TO COMPLY

The Permittee must comply with all conditions of this permit. Any permit noncompliance constitutes a violation of the Clean Water Act and is grounds for enforcement action; for permit termination, revocation and reissuance, or modification; or denial of a permit renewal application.

#### G18. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

The Permittee must comply with effluent standards or prohibitions established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for toxic pollutants within the time provided in the regulations that establish those standards or prohibitions, even if this permit has not yet been modified to incorporate the requirement.

#### G19. PENALTIES FOR TAMPERING

The Clean Water Act provides that any person who falsifies, tampers with, or knowingly renders inaccurate any monitoring device or method required to be maintained under this permit shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 per violation, or by imprisonment for not more than two years per violation, or by both. If a conviction of a person is for a violation committed after a first conviction of such person under this condition, punishment shall be a fine of not more than \$20,000 per day of violation, or imprisonment of not more than four (4) years, or both.

## **G20.** REPORTING PLANNED CHANGES

The Permittee must, as soon as possible, give notice to Ecology of planned physical alterations, modifications or additions to the permitted construction activity. The Permittee should be aware that, depending on the nature and size of the changes to the original permit, a new public notice and other permit process requirements may be required. Changes in activities that require reporting to Ecology include those that will result in:

- A. The permitted facility being determined to be a new source pursuant to 40 CFR 122.29(b).
- B. A significant change in the nature or an increase in quantity of pollutants discharged, including but not limited to: for sites 5 acres or larger, a 20% or greater increase in acreage disturbed by construction activity.
- C. A change in or addition of surface water(s) receiving stormwater or non-stormwater from the construction activity.
- D. A change in the construction plans and/or activity that affects the Permittee's monitoring requirements in Special Condition S4.

Following such notice, permit coverage may be modified, or revoked and reissued pursuant to 40 CFR 122.62(a) to specify and limit any pollutants not previously limited. Until such modification is effective, any new or increased discharge in excess of permit limits or not specifically authorized by this permit constitutes a violation.

## **G21.** REPORTING OTHER INFORMATION

Where the Permittee becomes aware that it failed to submit any relevant facts in a permit application, or submitted incorrect information in a permit application or in any report to Ecology, it must promptly submit such facts or information.

# G22. REPORTING ANTICIPATED NON-COMPLIANCE

The Permittee must give advance notice to Ecology by submission of a new application or supplement thereto at least forty-five (45) days prior to commencement of such discharges, of any facility expansions, production increases, or other planned changes, such as process modifications, in the permitted facility or activity which may result in noncompliance with permit limits or conditions. Any maintenance of facilities, which might necessitate

unavoidable interruption of operation and degradation of effluent quality, must be scheduled during non-critical water quality periods and carried out in a manner approved by Ecology.

# G23. REQUESTS TO BE EXCLUDED FROM COVERAGE UNDER THE PERMIT

Any discharger authorized by this permit may request to be excluded from coverage under the general permit by applying for an individual permit. The discharger must submit to the Director an application as described in WAC 173-220-040 or WAC 173-216-070, whichever is applicable, with reasons supporting the request. These reasons will fully document how an individual permit will apply to the applicant in a way that the general permit cannot. Ecology may make specific requests for information to support the request. The Director will either issue an individual permit or deny the request with a statement explaining the reason for the denial. When an individual permit is issued to a discharger otherwise subject to the construction stormwater general permit, the applicability of the construction stormwater general permit to that Permittee is automatically terminated on the effective date of the individual permit.

# G24. APPEALS

- A. The terms and conditions of this general permit, as they apply to the appropriate class of dischargers, are subject to appeal by any person within 30 days of issuance of this general permit, in accordance with Chapter 43.21B RCW, and Chapter 173-226 WAC.
- B. The terms and conditions of this general permit, as they apply to an individual discharger, are appealable in accordance with Chapter 43.21B RCW within 30 days of the effective date of coverage of that discharger. Consideration of an appeal of general permit coverage of an individual discharger is limited to the general permit's applicability or nonapplicability to that individual discharger.
- C. The appeal of general permit coverage of an individual discharger does not affect any other dischargers covered under this general permit. If the terms and conditions of this general permit are found to be inapplicable to any individual discharger(s), the matter shall be remanded to Ecology for consideration of issuance of an individual permit or permits.

### G25. SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this permit are severable, and if any provision of this permit, or application of any provision of this permit to any circumstance, is held invalid, the application of such provision to other circumstances, and the remainder of this permit shall not be affected thereby.

#### G26. BYPASS PROHIBITED

# A. Bypass Procedures

Bypass, which is the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility, is prohibited for stormwater events below the design criteria for

stormwater management. Ecology may take enforcement action against a Permittee for bypass unless one of the following circumstances (1, 2, 3 or 4) is applicable.

- 1. Bypass of stormwater is consistent with the design criteria and part of an approved management practice in the applicable stormwater management manual.
- 2. Bypass for essential maintenance without the potential to cause violation of permit limits or conditions.
  - Bypass is authorized if it is for essential maintenance and does not have the potential to cause violations of limitations or other conditions of this permit, or adversely impact public health.
- 3. Bypass of stormwater is unavoidable, unanticipated, and results in noncompliance of this permit.

This bypass is permitted only if:

- a. Bypass is unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage. "Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which would cause them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass.
- b. There are no feasible alternatives to the bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, maintenance during normal periods of equipment downtime (but not if adequate backup equipment should have been installed in the exercise of reasonable engineering judgment to prevent a bypass which occurred during normal periods of equipment downtime or preventative maintenance), or transport of untreated wastes to another treatment facility.
- c. Ecology is properly notified of the bypass as required in Special Condition S5.F of this permit.
- 4. A planned action that would cause bypass of stormwater and has the potential to result in noncompliance of this permit during a storm event.

The Permittee must notify Ecology at least thirty (30) days before the planned date of bypass. The notice must contain:

- a. A description of the bypass and its cause.
- b. An analysis of all known alternatives which would eliminate, reduce, or mitigate the need for bypassing.
- c. A cost-effectiveness analysis of alternatives including comparative resource damage assessment.
- d. The minimum and maximum duration of bypass under each alternative.
- e. A recommendation as to the preferred alternative for conducting the bypass.

- f. The projected date of bypass initiation.
- g. A statement of compliance with SEPA.
- h. A request for modification of water quality standards as provided for in WAC 173-201A-110, if an exceedance of any water quality standard is anticipated.
- i. Steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent reoccurrence of the bypass.
- 5. For probable construction bypasses, the need to bypass is to be identified as early in the planning process as possible. The analysis required above must be considered during preparation of the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and must be included to the extent practical. In cases where the probable need to bypass is determined early, continued analysis is necessary up to and including the construction period in an effort to minimize or eliminate the bypass.

Ecology will consider the following before issuing an administrative order for this type bypass:

- a. If the bypass is necessary to perform construction or maintenance-related activities essential to meet the requirements of this permit.
- b. If there are feasible alternatives to bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, stopping production, maintenance during normal periods of equipment down time, or transport of untreated wastes to another treatment facility.
- c. If the bypass is planned and scheduled to minimize adverse effects on the public and the environment.

After consideration of the above and the adverse effects of the proposed bypass and any other relevant factors, Ecology will approve, conditionally approve, or deny the request. The public must be notified and given an opportunity to comment on bypass incidents of significant duration, to the extent feasible. Approval of a request to bypass will be by administrative order issued by Ecology under RCW 90.48.120.

## B. Duty to Mitigate

The Permittee is required to take all reasonable steps to minimize or prevent any discharge or sludge use or disposal in violation of this permit that has a reasonable likelihood of adversely affecting human health or the environment.

## **APPENDIX A – DEFINITIONS**

**AKART** is an acronym for "all known, available, and reasonable methods of prevention, control, and treatment." AKART represents the most current methodology that can be reasonably required for preventing, controlling, or abating the *pollutants* and controlling pollution associated with a discharge.

**Applicable TMDL** means a TMDL for turbidity, fine sediment, high pH, or phosphorus, which was completed and approved by EPA before January 1, 2016, or before the date the operator's complete permit application is received by Ecology, whichever is later.

**Applicant** means an *operator* seeking coverage under this permit.

**Benchmark** means a *pollutant* concentration used as a permit threshold, below which a *pollutant* is considered unlikely to cause a water quality violation, and above which it may. When *pollutant* concentrations exceed benchmarks, corrective action requirements take effect. Benchmark values are not water quality standards and are not numeric effluent limitations; they are indicator values.

**Best Management Practices (BMPs)** means schedules of activities, prohibitions of practices, maintenance procedures, and other physical, structural and/or managerial practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of waters of the State. BMPs include treatment systems, operating procedures, and practices to control: *stormwater* associated with construction activity, spillage or leaks, sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage.

**Buffer** means an area designated by a local *jurisdiction* that is contiguous to and intended to protect a sensitive area.

**Bypass** means the intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of a treatment facility.

**Calendar Day** A period of 24 consecutive hours starting at 12:00 midnight and ending the following 12:00 midnight.

**Calendar Week** (same as **Week**) means a period of seven consecutive days starting at 12:01 a.m. (0:01 hours) on Sunday.

Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead (CESCL) means a person who has current certification through an approved erosion and sediment control training program that meets the minimum training standards established by Ecology (see BMP C160 in the SWMM).

**Chemical Treatment** means the addition of chemicals to *stormwater* and/or authorized non-stormwater prior to filtration and discharge to surface waters.

Clean Water Act (CWA) means the Federal Water Pollution Control Act enacted by Public Law 92-500, as amended by Public Laws 95-217, 95-576, 96-483, and 97-117; USC 1251 et seq.

**Combined Sewer** means a sewer which has been designed to serve as a sanitary sewer and a storm sewer, and into which inflow is allowed by local ordinance.

Common Plan of Development or Sale means a site where multiple separate and distinct construction activities may be taking place at different times on different schedules and/or by different contractors, but still under a single plan. Examples include: 1) phased projects and projects with multiple filings or lots, even if the separate phases or filings/lots will be constructed under separate contract or by separate owners (e.g., a development where lots are sold to separate builders); 2) a development plan that may be phased over multiple years, but is still under a consistent plan for long-term development; 3) projects in a contiguous area that may be unrelated but still under the same contract, such as construction of a building extension and a new parking lot at the same facility; and 4) linear projects such as roads, pipelines, or utilities. If the project is part of a common plan of development or sale, the disturbed area of the entire plan must be used in determining permit requirements.

Composite Sample means a mixture of grab samples collected at the same sampling point at different times, formed either by continuous sampling or by mixing discrete samples. May be "time-composite" (collected at constant time intervals) or "flow-proportional" (collected either as a constant sample volume at time intervals proportional to stream flow, or collected by increasing the volume of each aliquot as the flow increases while maintaining a constant time interval between the aliquots.

Concrete Wastewater means any water used in the production, pouring and/or clean-up of concrete or concrete products, and any water used to cut, grind, wash, or otherwise modify concrete or concrete products. Examples include water used for or resulting from concrete truck/mixer/pumper/tool/chute rinsing or washing, concrete saw cutting and surfacing (sawing, coring, grinding, roughening, hydro-demolition, bridge and road surfacing). When *stormwater* comingles with concrete wastewater, the resulting water is considered concrete wastewater and must be managed to prevent discharge to *waters of the State*, including *ground water*.

**Construction Activity** means land disturbing operations including clearing, grading or excavation which disturbs the surface of the land. Such activities may include road construction, construction of residential houses, office buildings, or industrial buildings, site preparation, soil compaction, movement and stockpiling of topsoils, and demolition activity.

**Contaminant** means any hazardous substance that does not occur naturally or occurs at greater than natural background levels. See definition of "hazardous substance" and WAC 173-340-200.

**Contaminated Groundwater** means groundwater which contains *contaminants*, *pollutants*, or *hazardous substances* that do not occur naturally or occur at levels greater than natural background.

**Contaminated Soil** means soil which contains *contaminants*, *pollutants*, or *hazardous substances* that do not occur naturally or occur at levels greater than natural background.

**Demonstrably Equivalent** means that the technical basis for the selection of all stormwater BMPs is documented within a SWPPP, including:

1. The method and reasons for choosing the stormwater BMPs selected.

- 2. The *pollutant* removal performance expected from the BMPs selected.
- 3. The technical basis supporting the performance claims for the BMPs selected, including any available data concerning field performance of the BMPs selected.
- 4. An assessment of how the selected BMPs will comply with state water quality standards.
- 5. An assessment of how the selected BMPs will satisfy both applicable federal technology-based treatment requirements and state requirements to use all known, available, and reasonable methods of prevention, control, and treatment (AKART).

**Department** means the Washington State Department of Ecology.

**Detention** means the temporary storage of *stormwater* to improve quality and/or to reduce the mass flow rate of discharge.

**Dewatering** means the act of pumping *ground water* or *stormwater* away from an active construction site.

**Director** means the Director of the Washington State Department of Ecology or his/her authorized representative.

**Discharger** means an owner or *operator* of any facility or activity subject to regulation under Chapter 90.48 RCW or the Federal Clean Water Act.

**Domestic Wastewater** means water carrying human wastes, including kitchen, bath, and laundry wastes from residences, buildings, industrial establishments, or other places, together with such ground water infiltration or surface waters as may be present.

**Ecology** means the Washington State Department of Ecology.

**Engineered Soils** means the use of soil amendments including, but not limited, to Portland cement treated base (CTB), cement kiln dust (CKD), or fly ash to achieve certain desirable soil characteristics.

**Equivalent BMPs** means operational, source control, treatment, or innovative BMPs which result in equal or better quality of stormwater discharge to *surface water* or to *ground water* than BMPs selected from the SWMM.

**Erosion** means the wearing away of the land surface by running water, wind, ice, or other geological agents, including such processes as gravitational creep.

**Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs** means BMPs intended to prevent erosion and sedimentation, such as preserving natural vegetation, seeding, mulching and matting, plastic covering, filter fences, sediment traps, and ponds. Erosion and sediment control BMPs are synonymous with stabilization and structural BMPs.

**Federal Operator** is an entity that meets the definition of "*Operator*" in this permit and is either any department, agency or instrumentality of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of

the Federal government of the United States, or another entity, such as a private contractor, performing construction activity for any such department, agency, or instrumentality.

**Final Stabilization** (same as **fully stabilized** or **full stabilization**) means the establishment of a permanent vegetative cover, or equivalent permanent stabilization measures (examples of permanent non-vegetative stabilization methods include, but are not limited to riprap, gabions or geotextiles) which prevents erosion.

**Ground Water** means water in a saturated zone or stratum beneath the land surface or a surface waterbody.

**Hazardous Substance** means any dangerous or extremely hazardous waste as defined in RCW 70.105.010 (5) and (6), or any dangerous or extremely dangerous waste as designated by rule under chapter 70.105 RCW; any hazardous substance as defined in RCW 70.105.010(10) or any hazardous substance as defined by rule under chapter 70.105 RCW; any substance that, on the effective date of this section, is a hazardous substance under section 101(14) of the federal cleanup law, 42 U.S.C., Sec. 9601(14); petroleum or petroleum products; and any substance or category of substances, including solid waste decomposition products, determined by the director by rule to present a threat to human health or the environment if released into the environment. The term hazardous substance does not include any of the following when contained in an underground storage tank from which there is not a release: crude oil or any fraction thereof or petroleum, if the tank is in compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local law.

**Injection Well** means a well that is used for the subsurface emplacement of fluids. (See Well.)

**Jurisdiction** means a political unit such as a city, town or county; incorporated for local self-government.

**National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)** means the national program for issuing, modifying, revoking and reissuing, terminating, monitoring, and enforcing permits, and imposing and enforcing pretreatment requirements, under sections 307, 402, 318, and 405 of the Federal Clean Water Act, for the discharge of *pollutants* to surface waters of the State from point sources. These permits are referred to as NPDES permits and, in Washington State, are administered by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

**Notice of Intent (NOI)** means the application for, or a request for coverage under this general permit pursuant to WAC 173-226-200.

**Notice of Termination (NOT)** means a request for termination of coverage under this general permit as specified by Special Condition S10 of this permit.

**Operator** means any party associated with a construction project that meets either of the following two criteria:

• The party has operational control over construction plans and specifications, including the ability to make modifications to those plans and specifications; or

• The party has day-to-day operational control of those activities at a project that are necessary to ensure compliance with a SWPPP for the site or other permit conditions (e.g., they are authorized to direct workers at a site to carry out activities required by the SWPPP or comply with other permit conditions).

**Permittee** means individual or entity that receives notice of coverage under this general permit.

**pH** means a liquid's measure of acidity or alkalinity. A pH of 7 is defined as neutral. Large variations above or below this value are considered harmful to most aquatic life.

**pH Monitoring Period** means the time period in which the pH of *stormwater* runoff from a site must be tested a minimum of once every seven days to determine if *stormwater* pH is between 6.5 and 8.5.

**Point Source** means any discernible, confined, and discrete conveyance, including but not limited to, any pipe, ditch, channel, tunnel, conduit, well, discrete fissure, and container from which *pollutants* are or may be discharged to surface waters of the State. This term does not include return flows from irrigated agriculture. (See Fact Sheet for further explanation.)

**Pollutant** means dredged spoil, solid waste, incinerator residue, filter backwash, sewage, garbage, domestic sewage sludge (biosolids), munitions, chemical wastes, biological materials, radioactive materials, heat, wrecked or discarded equipment, rock, sand, cellar dirt, and industrial, municipal, and agricultural waste. This term does not include sewage from vessels within the meaning of section 312 of the CWA, nor does it include dredged or fill material discharged in accordance with a permit issued under section 404 of the CWA.

**Pollution** means contamination or other alteration of the physical, chemical, or biological properties of waters of the State; including change in temperature, taste, color, turbidity, or odor of the waters; or such discharge of any liquid, gaseous, solid, radioactive or other substance into any *waters of the State* as will or is likely to create a nuisance or render such waters harmful, detrimental or injurious to the public health, safety or welfare; or to domestic, commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational, or other legitimate beneficial uses; or to livestock, wild animals, birds, fish or other aquatic life.

**Process Wastewater** means any water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product. If *stormwater* commingles with process wastewater, the commingled water is considered process wastewater.

**Receiving Water** means the waterbody at the point of discharge. If the discharge is to a *storm sewer system*, either surface or subsurface, the receiving water is the waterbody to which the storm system discharges. Systems designed primarily for other purposes such as for ground water drainage, redirecting stream natural flows, or for conveyance of irrigation water/return flows that coincidentally convey *stormwater* are considered the receiving water.

**Representative** means a *stormwater* or wastewater sample which represents the flow and characteristics of the discharge. Representative samples may be a grab sample, a time-proportionate *composite sample*, or a flow proportionate sample. Ecology's Construction Stormwater Monitoring Manual provides guidance on representative sampling.

Responsible Corporate Officer for the purpose of signatory authority means: (i) a president, secretary, treasurer, or vice-president of the corporation in charge of a principal business function, or any other person who performs similar policy- or decision-making functions for the corporation, or (ii) the manager of one or more manufacturing, production, or operating facilities, provided, the manager is authorized to make management decisions which govern the operation of the regulated facility including having the explicit or implicit duty of making major capital investment recommendations, and initiating and directing other comprehensive measures to assure long term environmental compliance with environmental laws and regulations; the manager can ensure that the necessary systems are established or actions taken to gather complete and accurate information for permit application requirements; and where authority to sign documents has been assigned or delegated to the manager in accordance with corporate procedures (40 CFR 122.22).

Sanitary Sewer means a sewer which is designed to convey domestic wastewater.

**Sediment** means the fragmented material that originates from the weathering and erosion of rocks or unconsolidated deposits, and is transported by, suspended in, or deposited by water.

**Sedimentation** means the depositing or formation of sediment.

**Sensitive Area** means a waterbody, wetland, stream, aquifer recharge area, or channel migration zone.

**SEPA** (State Environmental Policy Act) means the Washington State Law, RCW 43.21C.020, intended to prevent or eliminate damage to the environment.

**Significant Amount** means an amount of a *pollutant* in a discharge that is amenable to available and reasonable methods of prevention or treatment; or an amount of a *pollutant* that has a reasonable potential to cause a violation of surface or ground water quality or sediment management standards.

**Significant Concrete Work** means greater than 1000 cubic yards poured concrete or recycled concrete used over the life of a project.

**Significant Contributor of Pollutants** means a facility determined by Ecology to be a contributor of a significant amount(s) of a *pollutant*(s) to waters of the State of Washington.

**Site** means the land or water area where any "facility or activity" is physically located or conducted.

**Source Control BMPs** means physical, structural or mechanical devices or facilities that are intended to prevent *pollutants* from entering *stormwater*. A few examples of source control

BMPs are erosion control practices, maintenance of stormwater facilities, constructing roofs over storage and working areas, and directing wash water and similar discharges to the *sanitary sewer* or a dead end sump.

**Stabilization** means the application of appropriate BMPs to prevent the erosion of soils, such as, temporary and permanent seeding, vegetative covers, mulching and matting, plastic covering and sodding. See also the definition of Erosion and Sediment Control BMPs.

**Storm Drain** means any drain which drains directly into a *storm sewer system*, usually found along roadways or in parking lots.

**Storm Sewer System** means a means a conveyance, or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains designed or used for collecting or conveying *stormwater*. This does not include systems which are part of a *combined sewer* or Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) as defined at 40 CFR 122.2.

**Stormwater** means that portion of precipitation that does not naturally percolate into the ground or evaporate, but flows via overland flow, interflow, pipes, and other features of a stormwater drainage system into a defined surface waterbody, or a constructed infiltration facility.

**Stormwater Management Manual (SWMM)** or **Manual** means the technical Manual published by Ecology for use by local governments that contain descriptions of and design criteria for BMPs to prevent, control, or treat *pollutants* in *stormwater*.

**Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)** means a documented plan to implement measures to identify, prevent, and control the contamination of point source discharges of *stormwater*.

**Surface Waters of the State** includes lakes, rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, salt waters, and all other surface waters and water courses within the jurisdiction of the State of Washington.

**Temporary Stabilization** means the exposed ground surface has been covered with appropriate materials to provide temporary stabilization of the surface from water or wind erosion. Materials include, but are not limited to, mulch, riprap, erosion control mats or blankets and temporary cover crops. Seeding alone is not considered stabilization. Temporary stabilization is not a substitute for the more permanent "final stabilization."

**Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)** means a calculation of the maximum amount of a *pollutant* that a waterbody can receive and still meet state water quality standards. Percentages of the total maximum daily load are allocated to the various pollutant sources. A TMDL is the sum of the allowable loads of a single *pollutant* from all contributing point and nonpoint sources. The TMDL calculations must include a "margin of safety" to ensure that the waterbody can be protected in case there are unforeseen events or unknown sources of the *pollutant*. The calculation must also account for seasonable variation in water quality.

**Transfer of Coverage (TOC)** means a request for transfer of coverage under this general permit as specified by General Condition G9 of this permit.

**Treatment BMPs** means BMPs that are intended to remove *pollutants* from *stormwater*. A few examples of treatment BMPs are detention ponds, oil/water separators, biofiltration, and constructed wetlands.

**Transparency** means a measurement of water clarity in centimeters (cm), using a 60 cm transparency tube. The transparency tube is used to estimate the relative clarity or transparency of water by noting the depth at which a black and white Secchi disc becomes visible when water is released from a value in the bottom of the tube. A transparency tube is sometimes referred to as a "turbidity tube."

**Turbidity** means the clarity of water expressed as nephelometric turbidity units (NTUs) and measured with a calibrated turbidimeter.

**Uncontaminated** means free from any contaminant. See definition of "*contaminant*" and WAC 173-340-200.

**Waste Load Allocation (WLA)** means the portion of a receiving water's loading capacity that is allocated to one of its existing or future point sources of pollution. WLAs constitute a type of water quality based effluent limitation (40 CFR 130.2[h]).

Water-only Based Shaft Drilling is a shaft drilling process that uses water only and no additives are involved in the drilling of shafts for construction of building, road, or bridge foundations.

Water quality means the chemical, physical, and biological characteristics of water, usually with respect to its suitability for a particular purpose.

Waters of the State includes those waters as defined as "waters of the United States" in 40 CFR Subpart 122.2 within the geographic boundaries of Washington State and "waters of the State" as defined in Chapter 90.48 RCW, which include lakes, rivers, ponds, streams, inland waters, underground waters, salt waters, and all other surface waters and water courses within the jurisdiction of the state of Washington.

Well means a bored, drilled or driven shaft, or dug hole whose depth is greater than the largest surface dimension. (See Injection well.)

Wheel Wash Wastewater means any water used in, or resulting from the operation of, a tire bath or wheel wash (BMP C106: Wheel Wash), or other structure or practice that uses water to physically remove mud and debris from vehicles leaving a construction site and prevent trackout onto roads. When *stormwater* comingles with wheel wash wastewater, the resulting water is considered wheel wash wastewater and must be managed according to Special Condition S9.D.9.

## APPENDIX B – ACRONYMS

**AKART** All Known, Available, and Reasonable Methods of Prevention, Control,

and Treatment

**BMP** Best Management Practice

**CESCL** Certified Erosion and Sediment Control Lead

**CFR** Code of Federal Regulations

**CKD** Cement Kiln Dust

**cm** Centimeters

CTB Cement-Treated Base CWA Clean Water Act

**DMR** Discharge Monitoring Report

**EPA** Environmental Protection Agency

**ERTS** Environmental Report Tracking System

**ESC** Erosion and Sediment Control

**FR** Federal Register

LID Low Impact Development

**NOI** Notice of Intent

**NOT** Notice of Termination

**NPDES** National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Unit

**RCW** Revised Code of Washington

SEPA State Environmental Policy Act
SWMM Stormwater Management Manual
SWPPP Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan

**TMDL** Total Maximum Daily Load

**UIC** Underground Injection Control

**USC** United States Code

**USEPA** United States Environmental Protection Agency

**WAC** Washington Administrative Code

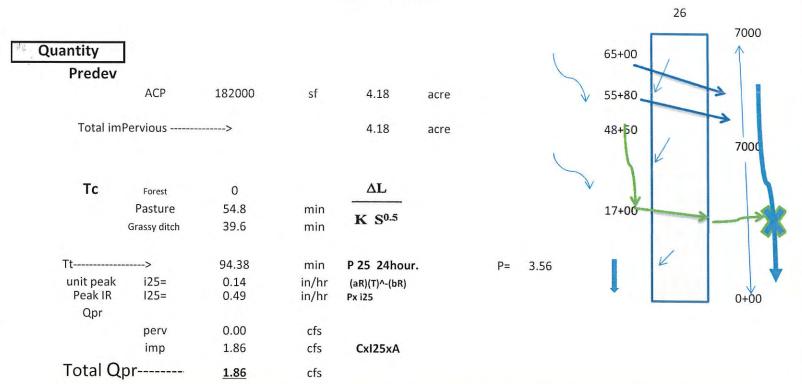
**WQ** Water Quality

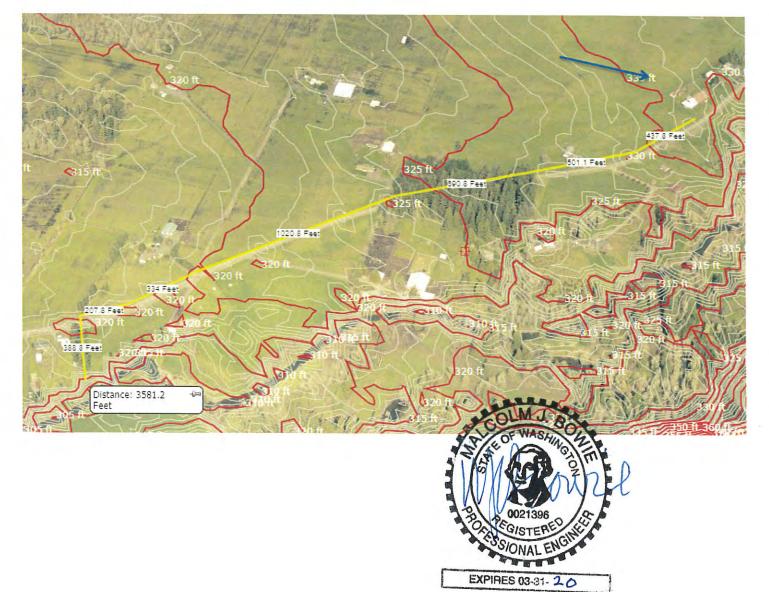
**WWHM** Western Washington Hydrology Model

# **E. Engineering Calculations**

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# North Fork CRP 2158 Storm Water





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## **Biodetention Swale Volumetric Capacity**

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				43+00 to 46+50	350	
				total	1700	ft.

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#48 Chehalis Silty Clay	Avg. infil (K sat)	per scs	1	in/hr		
#1 Alvor silty clay	infiltration	24 hr	2	ft	13600	cf inf
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			top A	14488.3	sf	
			Bottom	6800	sf	
			Vol cap Tot	5,322	cf<<	2,019
		with	infiltration	18922	cf>>	2,019

## Quality

Traditional rural County roads are the ideal type of road to treat and manage storm water on. Storm water on a county rural road will naturally sheet flow until it concentrates into the ditch. The most efficient form of treating runoff is to treat runoff early before concentration occurs. The simple yet most effective way Lewis County has found to do this is by utilizing Compost Amended Vegetative Filter Strips (CAVFS). The North Fork project fits into this methodology perfectly. Lewis County will implement shoulder slope flattening and install CAVFS on the flattened slopes. By flattening the shioulder slopes road agencies are able to increase runoff contact time for treatement and at the same time increase the safety for the traveling public by reducing risk of run off the road accidents. Because of the relatively narrow width of the North Fork road improvement Lewis County has been able to utilized tools such as figure 5-9 from the WSDOT highway runoff manual to efficiently size the CAVFS through out this project. As shown on the attached details a gravel spreader will be utilized at the pavements edge prior to construction of the CAVFS. Below are the CAVFS widths that Lewis County will construct through out the project when variable slopes and roadway situations are encountered.

## On a Roadway Curve In Superelevation @ 4:1 slope 19 feet W CAVF, @ 6:1 slope 17 feet W. CAVF Center Crown @ 4:1 slope 12 feet W CAVF @6:1 10 feet W CAVF

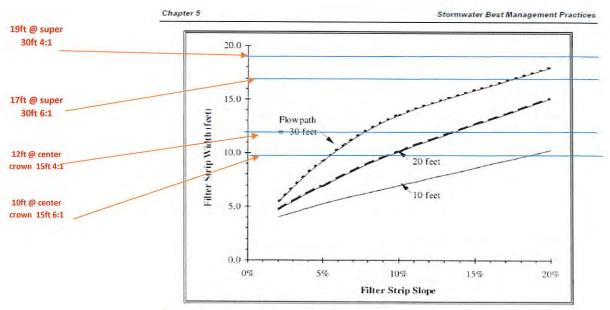


Figure 5-9 Narrow area vegetated filter strip design graph.

#### Site Design Elements

## Landscaping (Planting Considerations) and Vegetation Establishment

Plant vegetated filter strips with grass that can withstand relatively high-velocity flows as well as wet and dry periods. You may also incorporate native vegetation into filter strips, such as small shrubs to make the system more effective in treating runoff and providing root penetration into subsoils, thereby enhancing infiltration. Consult with the Region Landscape Architect or the HQ Roadside and Site Development Section for a selection of grasses and plants suitable for the project site.

#### Soil Amendments

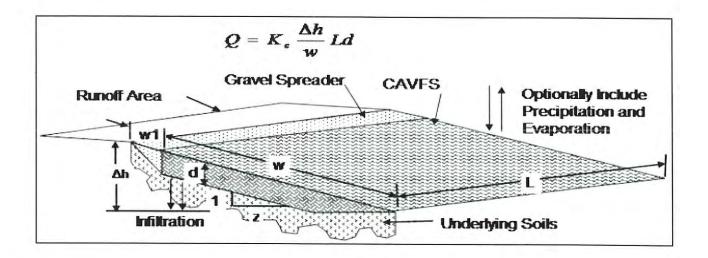
Refer to Section 5-4.3.2, Soil Amendments for CAVFS.

## Maintenance Access Roads (Access Requirements)

Provide access at the upper edge of all vegetated filter strips to enable maintenance of the gravel flow spreader and permit lawnmower entry to the vegetated filter strip. (See Section 5-3.7.1 for any other applicable requirement.)

## Signage

Refer to Section 5-4.3.7 for signing requirements.



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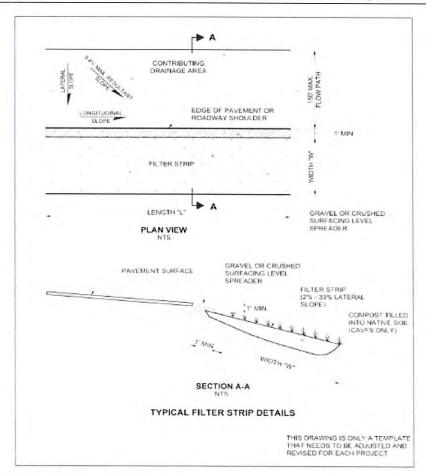


Figure 5-7 Typical vegetated filter strip.