

	Standard Operating Procedure for:	
	Erosion and Sediment Control	
	Purpose of SOP:	To protect stormwater from pollution by reducing or eliminating pollutant loading from land disturbing activities.

**Always:**

- Use erosion control techniques or devices to stabilize disturbed areas.
- Use effective site planning to avoid sensitive areas.
- Keep land disturbance to a minimum.
- Inspect and maintain erosion control devices.
- Install erosion control devices properly.
- Install erosion control blankets when seeding drainage ways.

**Whenever Possible:**

- Protect disturbed areas from stormwater runoff by using stabilizers such as mulch.
- Limit construction activities during months with higher runoff rates.
- Assign responsibility for maintaining erosion control devices.
- Reduce the velocity of stormwater runoff.
- Divert clean water away from the disturbed area during construction activities.
- Protect vegetative buffers or create new ones.
- Stabilize soils by mulching and/or seeding when soils are exposed for more than one week during the dry season, and two days during the rainy season.

**Never:**

- Never put yourself in danger.
- Never enter private property without permission.
- Never divert runoff into a sensitive area.

**Equipment list:**

1. Existing paper maps
2. Field sheets
3. Camera (preferable digital)
4. Dump Truck
5. Flusher Truck
6. Cell phones
7. Clip boards and pencils
8. First aid kit
9. Flash light or head lamp
10. Surgical gloves
11. Shovel
12. Waders

