



Environmental  
Protection Agency

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October 11, 2011

Cheryl Jones  
Liberty Elementary School  
2949 Whitlow Road  
Columbus, OH 43232

Re: Liberty ES / Franklin County 46C03452

Dear Ms. Jones:

This letter is written regarding the storm water inspection that I conducted at Liberty Elementary School, located at 2949 Whitlow Road, in Columbus, Ohio, on October 3, 2011. I understand that these construction activities are covered under the General Storm Water Permit Associated with Construction Activities. Based on my site inspection and the General Storm Water Permit, the following items must be addressed:

**Sediment and Erosion Controls:**

The site had erosion controls around the perimeter of the site. Please maintain the erosion controls. There were sections of silt fence along the west side of the site that needed to be maintained. Also, it is recommended to install silt fence along the south side of the northern bio-swale. Please see attached pictures.

Please be aware the General Permit states that all barren areas which remain idle in excess of 21 days must be protected from erosion within seven days of the last earth disturbing activities. In addition, erosion protection must be implemented for all areas of final grade within seven (7) days. The barren areas should have seed and straw placed on to the barren areas. Please see attached pictures.

It is recommended to stabilize the bio-swales to prevent the eroding of the swales.

There was a cheater ditch installed to drain the foundation pad in the north-western corner of the property. Please eliminate the cheater ditch and maintain silt fence in that area. Please see attached pictures.

The General Permit requires the permittee to conduct inspections of all sediment and erosion controls every seven days or within 24 hours of a rain event equal to or greater than 0.5 inches. A log of the inspections and resulting corrective actions must be maintained on site available for review. All earth disturbing activities must be clearly documented in your inspection reports to ensure the temporary or permanent stabilization requirements are not violated. Your inspection log was not up-to-date.

The general contractor will need to complete and submit a construction storm water co-permittee notice of intent application. This application may be obtained at the following weblink: <http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dsw/storm/stormform.aspx>. The general contractors are considered an operator per the construction permit. "Operator" means any party associated with a construction project that meets either of the following two criteria:

1. The party has operational control over construction plans and specifications, including the ability to make modifications to those plans and specifications; or
2. The party has day-to-day operational control of those activities at a project which are necessary to ensure compliance with an SWP3 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 SWP3 or comply with other permit conditions). As set forth in Part II.A, there can be more than one operator at a site and under these circumstances, the operators shall be co-permittees.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or my inspection, please do not hesitate to call me at our Central District Office at (614) 728-3851.

Sincerely,

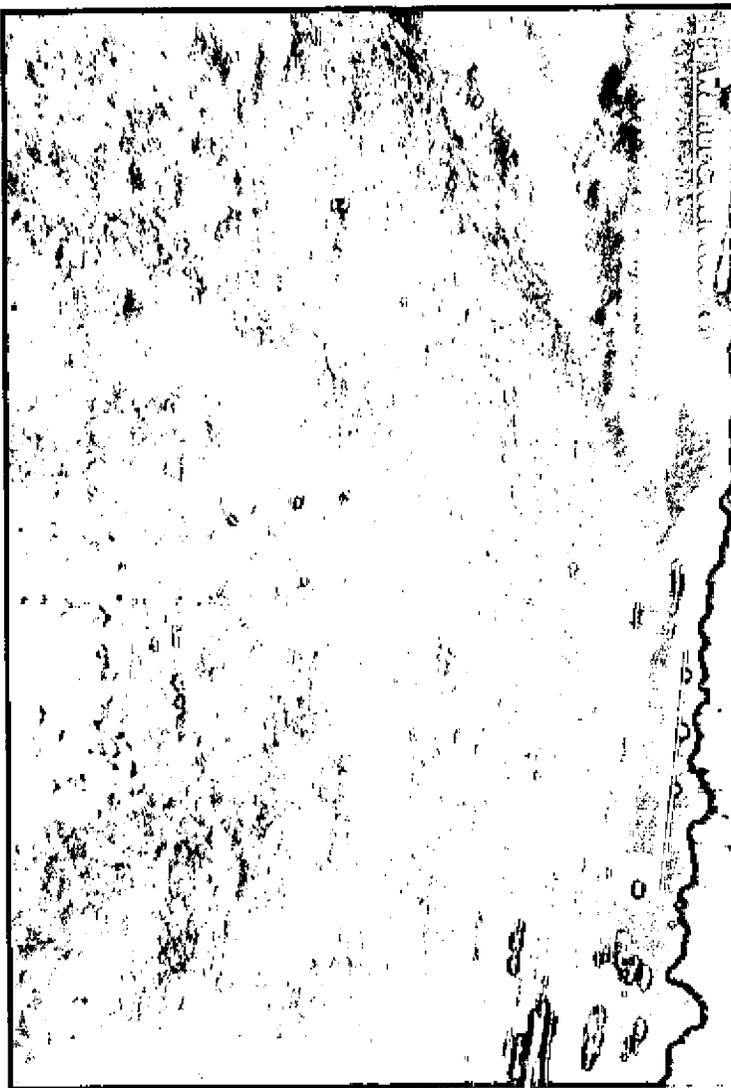
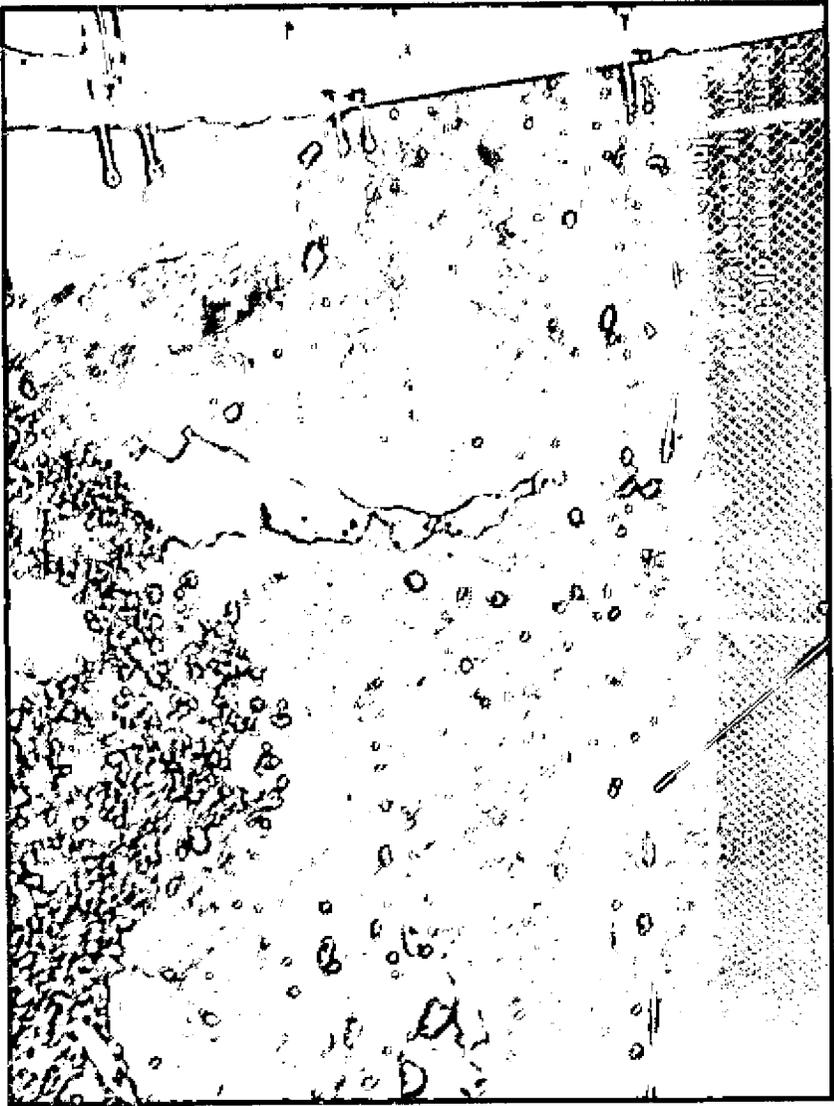


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ec: Gregory L. Sanders, DSW/CDO

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Histology of tissue along swale

