



Environmental Protection Agency

John R. Kasich, Governor
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July 19, 2011

Re: Athens County
Athens High School
Storm Water Construction Activity
Notice of Violation
0GC01518*AG

Mr. Mike Meek
Athens High School
1 High School Road
The Plains, Ohio 45780

Dear Mr. Meek:

On June 29, 2011, I visited your site on High School Road. The purpose of the inspection was to determine the compliance of this site with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the discharge of stormwater associated with construction activity. The inspection was conducted under the provisions of Ohio's water pollution control statutes, Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Chapter 6111. The following areas need to be addressed:

Permit Coverage:

TABLE 1: PERMANENT STABILIZATION

Area requiring permanent stabilization	Time frame to apply erosion controls
Any areas that will lie dormant for one year or more	Within seven days of the most recent disturbance
Any areas within 50 feet of a surface water of the State and at final grade	Within two days of reaching final grade
Any other areas at final grade	Within seven days of reaching final grade within that area

TABLE 2 – TEMPORARY STABILIZATION

Area requiring temporary stabilization	Time frame to apply erosion controls
Any disturbed areas within 50 feet of a surface water of the State and not at final grade	Within two days of the most recent disturbance if the area will remain idle for more than 21 days
For all construction activities, any disturbed areas that will be dormant for more than 21 days but less than one year, and not within 50 feet of a surface water of the State	Within seven days of the most recent disturbance within the area For residential subdivisions, disturbed areas must be stabilized at least seven days prior to transfer of permit coverage for the individual lot(s).
Disturbed areas that will be idle over winter	Prior to the onset of winter weather

Where vegetative stabilization techniques may cause structural instability or are otherwise unobtainable, alternative stabilization techniques must be employed.

Upon inspection, it was apparent that the large soil stockpile had been dormant for a couple of weeks. It was also noted that there were a few areas that were at final grade. Assess site and apply stabilization according to the above permit requirements immediately.

Part III.G.2.g.ii. of the permit requires that off-site vehicle tracking of sediments be minimized. This is accomplished by constructing a proper construction entrance. The *Rainwater and Land Development* manual defines a construction entrance as a pad of aggregate 6 inches deep, 10 feet wide and 50 feet in length (30 feet for single residence lots).

During the inspection there was evidence of sediment being tracked onto High School Road, evaluate the construction entrance to ensure it meets the above permit requirements in order to minimize the tracking of sediment upon the roadway.

Sediment and erosion controls for your site must meet the guidelines and design criteria set forth in the above mentioned *Rainwater and Land Development* manual. A copy of this manual may be obtained by contacting the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, at (614) 265-6610.

Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of this letter, please submit to me at this office a written notification as to actions taken or proposed to eliminate violations of the permit. Your response should include the dates, either actual or proposed, for the completion of the actions. If you have any questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5418 or Aaron Wolfe at (740) 380-5277.

Sincerely,



Chris Stephan
Storm Water Section
Division of Surface Water

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DATE OF INSPECTION.
THIS LETTER SERVES TO
REPLACE THE PREVIOUS
LETTER.