

February 2, 2011 State of Wyoming Public Notice

Purpose of Public Notice

The permits in this public notice are the Small Construction General Permit (SCGP) and the Large Construction General Permit (LCGP). Both permits expire on March 15, 2011.

Operators of small construction activities (disturbing at least one, but less than five acres) and large construction activities (disturbing five or more acres) must secure coverage under an individual or general permit that regulates the quality of storm water discharges associated with construction activities. A general permit is a "tool" which can be used to issue a large number of permits with a relatively small administrative burden. Under the general permitting approach, a single generic permit is issued to cover a large number of similar discharges within a geographic area.

The purpose of this notice is to invite your comments on the proposed permits before they are issued. Copies of the proposed permits will be available on our website at <http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/events/index.asp>. Upon request, a copy of the draft permits and other pertinent documents are available at the address listed below. Copies may also be requested by calling 307-777-7781. A complete copy of the permit file will be retained at the DEQ/WQD Cheyenne office. The permit file contains the proposed permit, fact sheet and other pertinent information.

To object to the proposed permit(s) submit your comments in writing to Barb Sahl DEQ/WQD; Herschler Building, 4-W; 122 West 25th Street; Cheyenne, WY 82002 by the date shown below. If no objection to the permit is received by the date shown below, the permit will be issued as proposed. Questions regarding the proposed permits may be directed to Barb Sahl (307-777-7570).

Any interested person may submit written comments on a proposed permit and may request a public meeting. A request for a public meeting shall be in writing and shall indicate the interest of the party and the reasons why a meeting is warranted. If the administrator finds that there is a significant degree of public interest in holding such a meeting, he may hold such a public meeting. The DEQ/WQD will consider all comments when making the final decision of issuance or denial of the permit and the decision may be appealed to the EQC. All comments must be received in writing or as fax copies of written comments by 5:00 pm on the date listed below. Comments received by e-mail will not be accepted.

All comments must be received by 5:00 pm, March 4, 2011.

WYR100000 – Renewal of the Large Construction General Permit for Storm Water Discharges

The current large construction general permit (LCGP) expires March 15, 2011. A draft permit has been prepared to replace the current permit and is available for review and comment. This permit covers storm water discharges from all construction activities that disturb five or more acres.

The permit requires construction site operators to develop and implement a storm water pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) to ensure that storm water discharged from their project does not cause or contribute to a violation of water quality standards in surface waters receiving that discharge. A SWPPP generally includes an inventory of expected pollutants (such as sediment and fuels) and a description of the practices that will be implemented by the operator to keep those pollutants out of storm water discharges.

The permit covers all areas of Wyoming where the Department of Environmental Quality is the permitting authority. It does not cover certain areas within the Wind River Indian Reservation where the US Environmental Protection Agency is the permitting authority.

The draft permit proposes several changes from the current LCGP. A summary of the most significant changes are presented in the permit fact sheet. The draft permit and fact sheet are available on the internet at the web address noted at the beginning of this public notice. Paper copies may also be requested by telephone or in writing as described above.

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[Fact Sheet](#)

[Draft Permit](#)

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