



CITY OF OAK GROVE

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Construction Site Inspection Policy

Introduction

Construction sites can be a significant sources of stormwater pollution. The EPA estimates that 20 to 150 tons of soil per acre are lost every year to stormwater runoff from construction sites. This soil that leaves construction sites impacts the municipalities stormwater system by settling and reducing pipe capacities as well as entering downstream surface waters and degrading our natural resources. The City of Oak Grove has developed this policy to structure the frequency of construction site inspections that are performed the city to ensure compliance with City requirements.

General Requirements

Construction sites that are determined to have a greater chance of illicit discharges or impactful downstream pollution require additional City oversight to protect the City's infrastructure and natural resources. High priority construction sites will be inspected at least once a month unless a greater frequency is deemed necessary by the head of Public Works. Construction sites that fail to comply with their SWPPP, this chapter, or other City of Oak Grove requirements, shall be inspected more frequently on a basis determined by the head of Public Works to ensure proper stormwater management. Low priority construction sites will be inspected on a compliance basis only. An initial inspection will follow all issues of non – compliance and if the issue is not resolved immediately or considered significant by the city or its representatives, the low – priority construction stie will be then considered a high – priority site and inspected more frequently. All inspections are to be completed by the head of Public Works or the City Engineer.

High priority construction sites are sites that have any of the following:

- 1) Erosive soils present
- 2) Wetlands or bodies of water immediately adjacent
- 3) Larger than 2 acres
- 4) Past significant non – compliance issues

Low priority construction sites are sites that do not have all of the following:

- 1) Erosive soils present
- 2) Wetlands or bodies of water immediately adjacent
- 3) Larger than 2 acres
- 4) Past significant non – compliance issues