DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: August 2023

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1. Career Opportunities

The Delaware Sediment and Stormwater Program is hiring!

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM MANAGER II

This position is responsible for overseeing the State's Sediment and Stormwater Program as well as the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction General Permit (CGP) and the Sediment and Stormwater Regulations, and enforcement of and compliance with approved Sediment and Stormwater Management Plans, the NDPES CGP, state and federal laws, rules, and regulations. Program oversight includes coordination and delivery of training programs to the regulated community, coordination of program efforts with the Delegated Agencies and the EPA and responding to stormwater concerns in the State.

The closing date is August 9, 2023. If interested, please find more information on the <u>Delaware</u> <u>Employment Link – Environmental Program Manager II.</u>

<u>ENGINEER I</u>

This position is responsible for implementing the Sediment and Stormwater Program authorities for permitting regulated land disturbing activities associated with construction. This position will also be responsible for reviewing and approving sediment and stormwater management plans for state and federal projects and providing technical guidance to delegated agencies, the regulated community, public and private agencies, organizations, or individuals.

The closing date is 9/11/2023. Interviews will be held throughout the application window until the position is filled. If interested, please find more information on the <u>Delaware Employment Link –</u> <u>Engineer I</u>.

2. 2023 CCR Recertification

CCR Recertification is for those CCRs whose certification has expired or will expire in the current year and would like to continue their certification. This eight-hour course highlights any changes in the Sediment and Stormwater Program and Regulations along with newer approaches to stormwater management. The 2023 CCR Recertification will consist of two 4-hour online webinar sessions using a virtual platform (MS Teams), held on **Wednesday, October 4, 2023** <u>and</u>

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 from 8 a.m. until noon each day. Eligible individuals will be notified by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship by email. Eligible individuals must register for the course, you will not automatically be enrolled.

As of 2021, Contractor Training Program (Blue Card) certification is a pre-requisite for all CCR certifications. This training is available online at the Delaware Learning Center. For more information, please visit the <u>Sediment and Stormwater Program Training and Certification</u> <u>webpage</u>.

Notification of the CCR Recertification have been made via email. If your CCR recertification is expiring this year and you did not receive an email, contact the Sediment and Stormwater **Program.** If you did not provide an email address during your previous training or have changed your email address, please email your full name, CCR number, and valid email address to <u>DNREC.Stormwater@delaware.gov</u> so that we can update our records and provide the course information.

3. New and Revised Forms

New and revised forms as regulatory guidance documents were offered for public notice on July 1, 2023 and received no requests for public hearing. The following new and revised forms have been posted on the DNREC Sediment and Stormwater website and are considered effective:

- <u>Third-Party Certified Construction Reviewer (CCR) Application</u> has been revised to include CCR Performance Standards in accordance with DSSR §6.0.
- Construction Site Stormwater Management Review Report has been revised to satisfy minimum EPA State Review Framework reporting requirements. The report is provided in MS Word format to be downloaded and utilized as a template. If report forms contain the minimum information provided, the formatting can be that of the user. The template may be downloaded from the "Construction" tab at the following link: <u>https://dnrec.alpha.delaware.gov/watershed-stewardship/sediment-stormwater/</u>

In addition, an Application for Fee-in-lieu to accompany fees submitted in accordance with DSSR §13.2 has been developed. This form will be provided directly to projects seeking RPv compliance through the submittal of the fee-in-lieu following a review of the request.

4. PCVD and O&M Plans

Section 3.9 of the Delaware Sediment and Stormwater Regulations (DSSR) requires the Owner to submit a final Operation and Maintenance Plan (O&M Plan) for stormwater BMPs prior to project completion. To facilitate the completion of the O&M Plan, the plan review checklist requires operation and maintenance notes and schedules to be included on the Post Construction Stormwater Management Plan sheet for each BMP within the approved Sediment and Stormwater Management Plan set. Once the post-construction verification, or as-built, of the stormwater BMP is completed in accordance with DSSR §3.10, the as-built elevations and contours are included on the BMP plan sheet and the O&M notes refined to constitute the final O&M plan for the BMP.

It is not a requirement that the original plan designer completes the as-built survey as part of the post-construction verification documents (PCVD). However, when a third-party engineer or surveyor completes the PCVD as-built survey, the Owner should request that the O&M notes and

schedules for the BMP be included on the plan so that it will become the final O&M Plan for the BMP.

5. 2026 Construction General Permit (CGP) Reauthorization

The Sediment and Stormwater Program is beginning preparations for the 2026 Construction General Permit (CGP) reauthorization. To ensure the concerns of the regulated community are considered, the program would like to extend an invitation to get involved in the process.

If you are interested in participating in discussions related to the reauthorization of the Delaware CGP, please complete the survey at the following link: <u>https://forms.gle/HiPxZMNGH5SJCQb57</u>

The 2021 Delaware CGP is accessible online at <u>de.gov/cgp</u> for reference.