DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: September 2024

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1. 2024 CCR Recertification

CCR recertification is for CCRs whose certification will expire at the end of 2024 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 2024 CCR recertification will consist of two four-hour online webinar sessions using a virtual platform (MS Teams), held on **Wednesday, October 2nd and Wednesday, October 9th 2024** from 8:00 AM until noon each day. Eligible individuals have been notified as of July 29th by DNREC Division of Watershed Stewardship's Sediment and Stormwater Program via email. If you know your CCR certification is expiring in 2024 and did not receive an invitation to recertify, please contact the Program with updated contact information. <u>The last day to fully register for recertification is Tuesday, September 24, 2024.</u>

As of 2021, the Contractor Training Program certification is a prerequisite 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's Training and Certification webpage</u>.

Notification of the upcoming CCR recertification will be through email only. 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.

2. Clarification on the Use of Third-party CCRs

The 2019 Regulations include in subsection 6.1.5 a provision for the use of third-party CCRs when directed by the Department or Delegated Agency. The regulations define a third-party CCR as any individual CCR that is not an employee of the owner or a contractor of the construction activity, excluding the site designer.

The Department established the following guidance on the use of the site designer as the thirdparty CCR:

- The site designer is the individual who signed and sealed the approved Sediment and Stormwater Plan
- The third-party CCR can be a CCR from the site designer's firm only if the site designer serves as the supervising P.E. to the CCR.

3. Sussex Conservation District – Stormwater Seminar Series

In partnership with the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension (UDCE), Sussex Conservation District is hosting a Stormwater Seminar Series that aims at improving water quality through effective stormwater management and best management practices (BMPs). Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available.

The seminars will be hosted at the Carvel Research and Education Center on the dates below:

- September 18, 2024: Stormwater 101
- October 9, 2024: Turfgrass Fertilizer BMPs
- November 20, 2024: Enhancement and Funding Opportunities

To register, please visit <u>https://www.sussexconservation.org/events</u>.

4. Fall Vegetative Stabilization Window

Those familiar with the seasons in the Mid-Atlantic Region know that the optimal time for getting vegetative stabilization established is the September 1 through October 31 time frame. The approved Sediment & Stormwater Plan shows the seed mix(es) recommended for the project. It is also recommended that soil testing be conducted to determine the need for any soil amendments. Project owners and contractors should take advantage of the growing window to establish final and/or temporary stabilization.