

DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: November 2025

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1. Sediment and Stormwater Plan Review Fee Changes

With the signing of [HB 175](#), as amended by HA No. 1, in June 2025, DNREC's fees for the reviewing and approving Sediment and Stormwater Management Plans (SSMPs) for state and federal projects will increase for the first time since 1991. The updated fee schedule takes effect December 21, 2025.

Detailed Plan Review	\$975 per disturbed acre <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acres rounded up to the next whole acre.• Fee based on a minimum of one acre.
Standard Plan Review	\$500 per plan
Construction Review	No fee
As-built Review	No fee
Maintenance Review	No fee

These fees apply only to SSMP review and approval. There will continue to be no fee for the review of construction activity, post-construction verification documentation, or maintenance reviews of post-construction stormwater management facilities or BMPs. To see department-wide fee updates, please visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/admin-law/permit-fees>.

Questions about this fee schedule should be directed to the Sediment and Stormwater Program at 302-608-5458 or dnrec.stormwater@delaware.gov.

2. Regulatory Guidance Documents Update

The Sediment and Stormwater Program has released new and revised regulatory guidance documents for public review. These document support **Regulation No. 5101 Sediment and Stormwater Regulations** (DSSR), as set forth at 7 *Del.C.* §4006(h) and (i).

The new and revised regulatory guidance documents include:

- Regulatory Guidance Memo 1 (RGM-1) has been revised to RGM-1v.2 to require NOAA rainfall distribution curves to be used in stormwater computations.
- RGM-4 provides procedures for notification of stormwater discharges to DelDOT.
- RGM-5 provides a computational tool to assist applicants in confirming that Standard Plan criteria are met.
- DURMMv2.6 combines the two current versions of DURMMv2.51 into a single workbook, modifies the computation for submerged gravel wetland, reduces the number of BMPs computed in series, and provides additional tools to determine compliance for extended detention BMPs.
- Summary Table for Site R Pv Compliance has revised notes to reference DURMMv2.6.

All documents were noticed in the November Register of Regulations on November 1, 2025, and are available for review now at <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/watershed-stewardship/sediment-stormwater/>. A public hearing will NOT be held unless the Secretary receives a meritorious request for a hearing within 15 days of date of publication of the legal notice, ending November 16, 2025. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and show familiarity with the regulatory guidance document and provide a reasoned statement of the regulatory guidance document's probable impact. Questions regarding the revised regulatory guidance documents may be directed to Bonnie Arvay, bonnie.arvay@delaware.gov.

3. Contractor Training Program Certification Expiration Reminder

If you obtained your Contractor Training Program certification in 2020, your certification will expire at the end of 2025. Certifications are valid for 5 years. **All certifications obtained prior to 2020 are considered expired at this time.** If you wish to recertify, you must register and complete the Contractor Training Program on the Delaware Learning Center. Links to the training and registration information are located at <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/watershed-stewardship/sediment-stormwater/training/>.

4. Link of the month - Stormwater Assessment Study GIS 3.1

The Stormwater Assessment Study GIS application that is used to compile Stormwater Assessment Studies for the first step of the plan review process has been updated. Stormwater Assessment Study GIS 3.1 includes updates to the following layers based on Department-wide updates:

- Leaking Underground Storage Tank Facilities
- Underground Storage Tank Facilities
- Hazardous Waste Generators
- RS (Remediation Section) Sites replaced SIRS Sites layer
- Wellhead Protection Areas
- Groundwater Management Zones & Groundwater Exclusion Zones

Stormwater Assessment Study GIS 3.1 is available at the following link:
<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/71bef9fd3e7c4c359fb845f59b74111c/>