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Do I Need A Storm Water Permit?

Areas within the Mooresville Buffer Zone are regulated by the Morgan County Storm Water Ordinance. This handout is an overview of the Morgan County storm water permitting process. If you are not sure if your project will need a storm water permit please contact the Surveyor's Office at the number above.

Projects that will require a formal review:

- 1.) Commercial and Industrial projects of any size.
- 2.) Projects that disturb more than one-half (1/2) acre of land.
Land disturbance is defined as clearing, grading or grubbing.
- 3.) Individual Lots within a subdivision that has received storm water approval from the Morgan County Surveyor's Office (subdivision with approval date of 2005 and newer).
- 4.) Projects near sensitive water bodies, wetlands and waterways.

Projects exempt from formal review:

If your project does not meet the requirements listed above you will be eligible for an exemption of the formal review and permitting process. The applicant will be required to complete and sign an Exemption Statement Form.

Illicit Discharge:

All land disturbing projects, permitted and non-permitted, are subject to Morgan County's Illicit Discharge Ordinance (section 12 of storm water Ordinance 10-1-1.3). An Illicit Discharge is any discharge of sediment, dirt, debris or pollutant. Sediment or debris leaving a construction site is considered an illicit discharge. Persons in violation of this ordinance are subject to fines and penalties.

Please call me or visit morgancountysurveyor.com for more details.

Sincerely,

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