



## NOTICE TO DEVELOPERS AND CONTRACTORS

### STORM WATER REGULATION CHANGES

This notice is to inform developers and contractors of new and existing storm water quality regulations.

#### **NPDES Construction General Permit**

Construction projects disturbing an area of one (1) acre or more are required to comply with the State of California General National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Discharges Associated with Construction Activities (“Construction General Permit”).

Compliance with this permit requires submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI) and payment of \$200 + \$20/acre plus 18.5% surcharge to the State Water Resources Control Board, preparation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, use of construction best management practices (BMPs) to control storm water runoff quality, and BMP inspection and maintenance.

For copies of the Construction General Permit, the NOI and additional permit information consult the State Water Resources Control Board web site at:

<http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/stormwtr/construction.html>.

#### **Amended Development Best Management Practices (BMP) Requirements**

Cupertino and 14 other public agencies in Santa Clara County are required by the San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board to place conditions of approval related to permanent storm water quality control on certain development projects. As of *August 15, 2006*, these projects consist generally of those creating or replacing *10,000 square feet\** or more of impervious surface, including roof areas and pavement. The size threshold had previously been one (1) acre.

Conditions of approval will include the use and maintenance of BMPs for site design and storm water treatment, which must be designed per approved numeric sizing criteria. Owners of properties with treatment BMPs will be required to certify on-going operation and maintenance.

#### **Hydromodification Management Best Management Practice (BMP) Requirements**

Certain large projects also may be required to implement hydromodification management BMPs depending upon their size and location in subwatershed areas.

**For more information regarding the amended development BMP requirements, contact the Public Works Department at (408) 777-3249.**

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