



# Stormwater Checklist - Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County, Tennessee



Certain types of single family residential developments and demolition projects (that include land clearing, grading, excavating, filling, and/or demolition activities) often do not require a Metro Grading Permit. However, significant Stormwater-related issues can be created by these projects especially when adjacent parcels are already developed. Project representatives should be aware of such considerations prior to starting land disturbance activities in order to avoid what can be costly retrofits that might otherwise be needed after a project is completed. Please be aware of the following potential issues that can create Stormwater problems. If you have any questions, please contact Metro Stormwater at: 1607 County Hospital Road Nashville, TN 37218 Phone 615-880-2420 Fax 615-880-2425.

Please consider the following issues prior to initiating any land disturbance activities:

1. Your project was determined to not require a Metro Grading Permit based on the scope of work presented to Metro Codes. If your scope of land disturbance or drainage work later increases over what was presented to Metro Codes, please contact Metro Stormwater to verify the new scope of work does not need a Grading Permit (as outlined in the Metro Stormwater Management Manual - Sections 3.3 thru 3.5).
2. Stormwater runoff from your site, once your project is completed, should be routed to appropriately sized conveyances or storm sewers so as to not flood adjacent or downstream properties or create a nuisance in the Metro Right of Way (road, sidewalk, etc.). Example: Water flowing directly onto a roadway can be a hazard to traffic.
3. Any pipes, culverts, or other Stormwater infrastructure that is installed should meet Stormwater Specifications (size, material, etc.). If stormwater infrastructure is installed that does not meet Metro specifications, it will have to be removed at the owner's expense and replaced with acceptable infrastructure.
4. Driveway culverts/pipes should be approved by Stormwater prior to installation to verify the necessary size and material is used. This will help ensure that the such installations will last and will not cause flooding. Please call (615) 880-3300 for more information.
5. You should consider whether your site requires a "no-disturb stream buffer" (area to be left undisturbed for several feet from "top of bank" of conveyance), which is required on ditches/creeks that serve a greater than 40 acre drainage area, has flow at times other than just in response to rainfall, and is shown as a blue or dashed blue line stream on a USGS topo map. Call (615) 880-2420 or visit [ftp://ftp.nashville.gov/web/stormwater/80503\\_buffer\\_update.pdf](ftp://ftp.nashville.gov/web/stormwater/80503_buffer_update.pdf)
6. Is your project parcel (fully or partially) within the 100 year floodplain? If so, there can be extremely important considerations that have to be addressed. Call (615) 862-6038 for more information.
7. Drainage easement questions should be researched via the Metro Register of Deeds at (615) 862-6790. Please be aware that stormwater easements have only been recorded since the late 1970's, so some important drainage easements may not be designated as official drainage easements even though are necessary to communicate stormwater flows.

Please consider the following issues as it relates to keeping sediment/soil and construction-related refuse on your site during land disturbance & construction activities. Notices of violation and/or monetary penalties can result if sediment is lost from the

8. Stormwater should not wash sediment or soil from your site. If sediment/soil will most likely be washed from your site during rain events, you should install Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as silt fence prior to initiating land disturbance activities. These controls should be removed once development is completed and previously disturbed land is stabilized with vegetation. Note: Silt fence that is not "trenched" into the ground does not qualify as a BMP. Call (615) 880-2420 for more information.
9. You should configure your site so that construction traffic will not track mud onto area streets when leaving the site. This can be done by installing a construction entrance or not allowing traffic to drive thru dirt or mud. Call (615) 880-2420 for more information.
10. Site employees/contractors should maintain the site at all times to prevent construction-related trash and refuse from being lost to adjacent properties and should also be made aware of the importance of site EPSC.
11. Dumpsters, site materials such as soil and sand, etc. should not be placed on public streets unless approved by Metro Public Works.
12. Construction activities should take special care to make sure no soil, debris, refuse, etc. is allowed to wash into the storm sewer system (a catch basin, conveyance, ditch, roadway, etc.).

Please fill in the information below. (Note: Mark items "NA" if they are not applicable to you/your development.)

Applicant Name:			Property Address:		
Address:			Subdivision Name/Development Name:		Lot #:
City:	State:	Zip:	Building Permit #:	Map #:	Parcel #:
Phone #:			Email:		

Please sign and submit this checklist to Metro Water Services Stormwater via fax ((615) 880-2425) or via mail.

I have read this checklist and considered if any of these issues pertain to my development. I understand that Stormwater considerations can result in site inspections and enforcements relating to violations of Metro Stormwater Code.

Applicant Signature:	Date:
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