



New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Division of Water, Region 7

Clarification of the MOU for Implementation of Agricultural Best Management Practices - SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activity (GP-02-01)

Operational & Vegetative Agricultural Management Practices that **do not** require obtaining the Stormwater Permit or implementation of **Sediment & Erosion Control Practices during Construction Activities**

Conservation Tillage

- Minimum Till
- No Till

Contour Farming

Cover and Green Manure Crop

Critical Area Protection

- Permanent Vegetative Cover

Crop Rotation

Filter Strips

Integrated Pest Management

- Biological Controls
- Cultural Practices
- Resistant Crop Varieties
- Scouting
- Trap Crops

Irrigation Water Management

- Scheduling

Nutrient Management

- Fertilizer Management
- Land application of Manure
- Manure Nutrient Analysis
- Soil Testing

Pathogen Management

Pesticide Management

- Computerized Precision Application
- Evaluation of Site Specific Leaching and Surface Loss Potential
- Pesticide Application Education and Training
- Proper Equipment Calibration
- Proper Timing of Pesticide Application
- Read and Follow the Label Directions

Riparian Forest Buffer

Stripcropping

Agricultural Management Practices that are exempt from the Stormwater Permit, **BUT** are required to implement the proper **Sediment & Erosion Control Practices during Construction Activities ***

Access Road Improvement

Alternative Water Supply (Ponds, if designated)

Barnyard Runoff Management System

Constructed Wetlands

Critical Area Protection

- Streambank and Shoreline Protection

Diversions

Fencing

Grassed Waterways

Irrigation Water Management

- Trickle Irrigation

Nutrient Management

- Anaerobic Digestion

Composting

- Manure Storage System

Nutrient/Sediment Control System

Pasture Management: Short Duration Grazing System

Pesticide Handling Facility

Petroleum Product Storage, Spill Prevention and Containment

Silo Leachate Control

Terraces

Activities that **do** require the Stormwater Permit and implementation of **Sediment & Erosion Control Practices during Construction Activities ***

Construction Activities (that disturb greater than 1 acre):

- Barns
- Buildings
- Houses
- Silos (including Bunks)
- Stock Yards or Pens
- Ponds

* Activities with Total Soil Disturbance Greater than 5 Acres will require a Full SWPPP (including Water Quality and Quantity Controls) [does not include field practices]