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Dear Construction Project Manager:

Subject: State Water Board's Changes to the Construction General Permit

This letter is sent as a courtesy to inform you about changes the State Water Board (SWB) made to the Construction General Permit (CGP) that will affect all California construction projects over one acre. After reviewing our records, it appears your project falls within the guidelines. The SWB has increased the CGP requirements for all construction projects, ongoing or newly proposed, which became effective July 2, 2010.

Major changes to the CGP include:

- New risk determination
- Greater minimum Best Management Practices
- Additional project monitoring
- Increased project reporting

Additionally, the SWB will now only accept CGPs through their new online application program called Stormwater Multi-Application and Report Tracking System, also referred to as SMARTS. The program can be accessed at www.smarts.waterboards.ca.gov/smarts/faces/SwSmartsLogin.jsp, SWB's Website.

The SWB is allowing construction projects with an existing CGP to be resubmitted online through their SMARTS program. By resubmitting the CGP **before October 18, 2010**, the SWB is allowing existing construction sites to be excluded from the new requirements. In order to prevent termination of your current CGP and avoid reapplying under the new guidelines, resubmit your CGP through SMARTS **before October 18, 2010**. To avoid having to resubmit your CGP, please follow the instructions below to reactivate your WDID number.

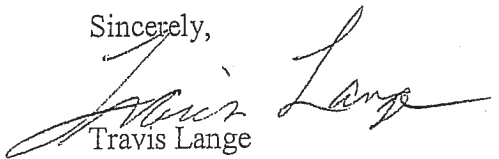
1. Legally Responsible Person (LRP) must create an account in SMARTS, or log into an existing LRP account (www.smarts.waterboards.ca.gov).



2. From the Main Menu screen, click on Recertify an Existing NOI.
3. Enter WDID: CXXXXXX and new Secret Code Number (obtained by contacting the Stormwater Help Desk.).
4. Complete recertification steps. This includes uploading the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and the LRP pressing the recertify button. This will not reactivate coverage.
5. You must contact the Stormwater Help Desk to reactivate the WDID number.

This letter only provides information regarding the changes made to the Construction General Permit. Please do not contact the City of Santa Clarita regarding issues with your CGP. If there are any questions about the new requirements for the CGP, please contact State Water Board staff at (866) 563-3107, Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or www.smarts@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,



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