

WHAT ELSE WILL I NEED?

The following local, state or federal agencies may have additional requirements related to Stormwater permitting, which may apply to your proposed development.

South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control –
Office of Coastal Resource Management (OCRM)
(843) 626-7217

US Army Corps of Engineers
(843) 365-4239



The Permitting Process For a Stormwater Permit



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GENERAL INFORMATION

This brochure is a brief summary describing the Stormwater permitting process in Horry County.

Copies of the Stormwater Ordinance and Design Manuals can be obtained from the Horry County Government website at www.horrycounty.org or by contacting the Horry County Stormwater Department at (843) 365-2097.

STORMWATER PERMITS

Introduction

Horry County requires that all land disturbance activities of 10,000 square feet or more, obtain a stormwater permit unless otherwise exempt. This document details the process and procedures to be used in the implementation of these regulations.

Statutory Authority

Horry County Stormwater Management and Sediment Control Ordinance went into effect Oct. 1, 2000.

Basic Criteria

- a) All land disturbance activities associated with land development and construction are required to obtain a stormwater permit if 10,000 square feet of area will be disturbed. Land disturbance is defined as any use of the land that results in a change in the physical characteristics or topography that may cause erosion that contributes to sediment and alters the quality or quantity of stormwater runoff.
- b) Exemptions – A number of activities are exempt and therefore do not need to obtain a stormwater permit. Single family residential

construction, Agricultural land uses, timbering activity, and minor residential subdivisions as defined by the County Land Development Regulations. If a project received OCRM approval prior to the effective date of the County ordinance and the project is under construction, then an exemption may be issued.

The Permitting Process

- a) Applicant fills out the Stormwater Application Form for all projects.
- b) Does the project qualify for an exemption? The project information is reviewed to determine if it is exempt.
- c) If the project is exempt, the Application Form is signed by the plan reviewer and either given to the applicant or it can be mailed or faxed.
- d) A copy will also be faxed to the Horry County Code Enforcement Office.
- e) If the project is not exempt then the applicant must submit one set of all necessary plans and calculations for review.
- f) The submittal is reviewed for compliance with the Ordinance and the Horry County Stormwater Management Design Manual.
- g) If the plans are approved, the permit is issued and signed by the plan reviewer and mailed or faxed to the applicant.
- h) If the plans are not approved the applicant is notified and informed of any revisions or problems that need to be addressed. A copy of the review comments is mailed or faxed to the applicant.

Once all review comments have been adequately addressed and the plans are approved, a permit will be signed by the plan reviewer. The permit will then be mailed or faxed to the applicant.