



BUCKS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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In Pursuit of Environmental Excellence

BCCD NPDES E PERMITTING GUIDE

Do not use the BCCD E Permitting form with NPDES or E and S paper submissions.

The following information applies to E permitting (electronic) NPDES submissions only:

- Do not submit paper plans with the form.
- The form must accompany all BCCD e permitting fee payments.
- Please indicate your assigned E Permitting Number at the top of the form.
- The Disturbed acreage fee is paid through the DEP e permitting system. Applicable BCCD fees (checks only) must be sent separately to this office along with the E Permitting Form.
- Payments must be received within five business days of the electronic NPDES submission to avoid being found administratively incomplete.
- Incorrect fee payments will delay permit processing.

DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE

New Permits: 1. Administrative Filing Fee AND 2. Erosion and Sedimentation Control Review Fee (based upon amount of earth disturbance.)

1. Administrative Filing Fee: check made payable to "BCCD-CWF"

NPDES General Permit (PAG-02) = **\$500.00**

NPDES Individual Permit = **\$1,500.00**

Exemptions: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, DEP, PennDOT, DCNR, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission are exempt from NPDES Chapter 102 fees.

2. Erosion and Sedimentation Control Review Fee: check made payable to "BCCD"

1.0 to 1.99 acres = \$1,350.00

10.0 to 19.99 acres = \$5,000.00

2.0 to 4.99 acres = \$2,000.00

20+ acres = \$6,000.00 + Additional \$100.00 per acre for each acre over

5.0 to 9.99 acres = \$3,000.00

20 (Fractions of an acre are rounded up to the next whole acre.)

Erosion and Sedimentation Control Review Fee Exemptions and Exceptions:

- **Exemptions:**
County Agencies; Volunteer Fire Stations/ Ambulance Services; Co-op Farmer, # _____;
County Agencies, The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), DEP, PennDOT, DCNR, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission.
- **½ Current E and S Control Review Fee:**
Municipalities/ Public Schools

Other NPDES Fees:

Re Filing Fee (Administrative Incomplete): \$250.00 Check made payable to "BCCD"

Resubmission Fee (Technically Deficient): 50 percent of current of Erosion and Sedimentation Control Review Fee up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 Check made payable to "BCCD"

NPDES Time Extension Request: \$100.00 Check made payable to "BCCD"

Minor Amendment: Re-Filing Fee \$250.00 Check made payable to "BCCD" AND E and S Resubmission Fee

Major Amendment: NPDES Administrative Filing Fee Check made payable to "BCCD-CWF" AND Erosion and Sedimentation Review Fee

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Incomplete E&S applications will not be accepted.

BCCD DOES NOT ACCEPT CASH OR CREDIT CARDS.

E&S reviews are processed in the order they are received. The District is required to complete its review within 30 days.

The BCCD Office DOES NOT process Chapter 105 General Permits 1 – 9 & 15. They must be submitted to the Southeast Regional DEP Office, 2 East Main Street, Norristown, PA 19401. 484-250-5900. Please refer to the DEP website (www.dep.state.pa.us) for any further information.

If a meeting with the BCCD is needed, PLEASE CALL AHEAD TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.

E&S Review letters are sent to the Landowner, appropriate Municipal government, Bucks County Planning Commission, and Engineer / Plan Designer. **PLEASE NOTE:** If copies of review letters are needed by any other entities please attach names and addresses.

Failure to begin earth moving within 2 years from date of BCCD’s Adequate E&S Review Letter will require a resubmission and will be subject to a full E&S fee.

E&S FEE EXEMPTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS:

County agencies, volunteer fire stations, volunteer ambulance services, conservation co-operator farms, & plans with lot subdivision only and no earth moving involved are exempt from fees. EPA, PennDOT, DEP, DCNR, and Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission are exempt from fees. Municipalities and Public Schools please submit One half (1/2) of the fee listed under “ALL OTHER EARTH DISTURBANCE” fee schedule.

FEES ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL OTHER SUBMISSIONS.

E&S submissions and resubmissions require one (1) General Information Form, and appropriate fee. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO “BUCKS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT” OR “BCCD.”

Withdrawal of a submission prior to a response from the BCCD is subject to a fee of either fifteen percent (15%) of the current fee or \$150.00, whichever is less. Plans withdrawn for any reason will require a full fee when resubmitted.

RESUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

All resubmissions are required to submit an E&S Application and associated fee.

Any submission involving a Major Revision from a previously reviewed plan shall be required to submit the FULL E&S Fee. A MAJOR change or revision on a plan may include, but is not limited to: a change in use, lot layout, street layout, grading changes, or basin revisions. If you have any questions, please call the BCCD office.

A Fee of 50% of the CURRENT FEE or \$1000.00, whichever is less, will be charged for each resubmission without major changes.

New revision dates noted on the plans require a resubmission to BCCD, including an application and resubmission fee. A new review letter is required with corresponding plan dates.

NPDES INFORMATION:

A separate federally mandated NPDES General Permit is needed if proposed earth disturbance is one (1) acre or greater. The fee for this permit is \$500.00, payable to “BCCD-CWF”.

An NPDES Individual Permit is needed if the project is one (1) acre or greater and located in High Quality (HQ) or Exceptional Value (EV) Watershed. Please refer to Chapter 93, Water Quality Standards, Title 25 of PA CODE. The fee for this permit is \$1500.00, payable to “BCCD-CWF”.

BCCD requires a \$250.00 Re-filing fee for NPDES applications found to be incomplete on the first submission. Required information must be submitted to BCCD within 60 days of notice or the application and all associated plan sets will be considered withdrawn.

NPDES minor amendments will be charged a flat fee of \$250.00 in addition to the E and S resubmission fee.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR NPDES PERMITS ARE PROCESSED BY BCCD OFFICE. PLEASE INCLUDE THEM WITH THE E&S SUBMISSION IN THEIR ENTIRETY.

FOR E&S FORM, NPDES FORMS, AND POLICIES PLEASE VISIT

<https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Water/CleanWater/StormwaterMgmt/Stormwater%20Construction/Pages/Chapter-102-ePermit.aspx>