



BORROW / WASTE SITES

In order to simplify the process for obtaining borrow / waste site approval in Washington County, the Washington County Conservation District has prepared this fact sheet to provide all interested parties with the information necessary to properly prepare and submit a borrow / waste site plan.

In accordance with Title 25, Chapter 102 of PA Code, and PA Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) rules and regulations, the implementation and maintenance of erosion and sediment controls are required for all earthmoving activities within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Borrow / waste sites are earthmoving activities.

WHAT MUST BE SUBMITTED?

Determine the size of the area that will be disturbed.

Sites under 5,000 sq. ft:

- WCCD Erosion Control Review Application
- Small Projects Erosion & Sedimentation (E&S) Control Plan
 - Can be completed by landowner, contractor, or engineer
 - Available at the Conservation District office
- Accompanying E&S Review fee

Sites over 5,000 sq. ft:

- WCCD Erosion Control Review Application
- Engineered Erosion & Sedimentation (E&S) Control Plan
 - Must be prepared by a professional engineer
 - DEP's E&S Pollution Control Manual, available at the Conservation District office, and on DEP website
- Accompanying E&S Review fee

Sites over 1 acre:

- WCCD Erosion Control Review Application
- Complete NPDES Permit application, E&S Control Plan, and all required forms
 - Must be prepared by a professional engineer
 - Contact the Conservation District office or the DEP website for more information and instructions on applying for NPDES Permits
- Accompanying Permit fees
- Accompanying E&S Review fee

WHAT OTHER FACTORS MUST BE CONSIDERED?

Look at the existing conditions of the site.

Proximity to Streams

- Earth disturbance activities must remain outside of the floodway of all streams
 - The floodway is 50 feet from the top of the bank unless otherwise noted in a detailed FEMA flood study
 - Special permits can be applied for through DEP to disturb earth within the floodway

Proximity to Wetlands

- Earth disturbance activities must remain outside of all wetlands
 - Any areas in question must be inspected by a DEP representative / biologist
 - Special permits can be applied for through DEP to disturb wetlands

Origin of Fill Material

- Special regulations apply to the placement of contaminated fill material

* *Planning Is Key.* Submit your borrow / waste site plan early, for initial review may take up to 30 days. Plans are reviewed in the order they are received.