



DOEE SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN GENERAL NOTES

1.

Following initial land disturbance or re-disturbance, permanent or interim stabilization must be completed within seven (7) calendar days for the surfaces of all perimeter controls, dikes, swales, ditches, perimeter slopes, and slopes greater than three (3) horizontal to one (1) vertical (3:1); and fourteen (14) days for all other disturbed or graded areas on the project site. These requirements do not apply to areas shown on the plan that are used for material storage other than stockpiling, or for those areas on the plan where actual construction activities are being performed. Maintenance shall be performed as necessary so that stabilized areas continuously meet the appropriate requirements of the District of Columbia Standards and Specifications for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control (ESC). [21 DCMR § 542.9 (o)]

2.

ESC measures shall be in place before and during land disturbance. [21 DCMR § 543.6]

3.

Contact DOEE Inspection (202) 535-2977 to schedule a preconstruction meeting at least three (3) business days before the commencement of a land-disturbing activity. [21 DCMR § 503.7 (a)]

4.

A copy of the approved plan set will be maintained at the construction site from the date that construction activities begin to the date of final stabilization and will be available for DOEE inspectors. [21 DCMR § 542.15]

5.

ESC measures shall be in place to stabilize an exposed area as soon as practicable after construction activity has temporarily or permanently ceased but no later than fourteen (14) days following cessation, except that temporary or permanent stabilization shall be in place at the end of each day of underground utility work that is not contained within a larger development site. [21 DCMR § 543.7]

6.

Stockpiled material being actively used during a phase of construction shall be protected against erosion by establishing and maintaining perimeter controls around the stockpile. [21 DCMR § 543.16 (a)]

7.

Stockpiled material not being actively used or added to shall be stabilized with mulch, temporary vegetation, hydro-seed or plastic within fifteen (15) calendar days after its last use or addition. [21 DCMR § 543.16 (b)]

8.

Fill material must be free of contamination levels of any pollutant that is, or may be considered to represent, a possible health hazard to the public or may be detrimental to surface or ground water quality, or which may cause damage to property or the drainage system. All fill material must be free of hazardous materials and comply with all applicable District and federal regulations.

9.

Protect best management practices from sedimentation and other damage during construction for proper post construction operation. [21 DCMR § 543.5]

10.

Request a DOEE Inspector's approval after the installation of perimeter erosion and sediment controls, but before proceeding with any other earth disturbance or grading. [21 DCMR § 542.12 (a)]

11.

Request a DOEE Inspector's approval after final stabilization of the site and before the removal of erosion and sediment controls. [21 DCMR § 542.12 (b)]

12.

Final stabilization means that all land-disturbing activities at the site have been completed and either of the following two criteria have been met: (1) a uniform (for example, evenly distributed, without large bare areas) perennial vegetative cover with a density of seventy percent (70%) of the native background vegetative cover for the area has been established on all unpaved areas and areas not covered by permanent structures, or (2) equivalent permanent stabilization measures have been employed (such as the use of riprap, gabions, or geotextiles). [21 DCMR § 542.12 (b.1, b.2)]

13.

Follow the requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency approved Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and maintain a legible copy of this SWPPP on site. [21 DCMR § 543.10 (b)]

14.

Post a sign that notifies the public to contact DOEE in the event of erosion or other pollution. The sign will be placed at each entrance to the site or as directed by the DOEE inspector. Each sign will be no less than 18x 24 inches in size and made of materials that will withstand weather for the duration of the project. Lettering will be at least 1 inch in height and easily readable by the public from a distance of twelve feet (12 ft). The sign must direct the public, in substantially the following form: "To Report Erosion, Runoff, or Stormwater Pollution" and will provide the construction site address, DOEE's telephone number (202-535-2977), DOEE's e-mail address (IEB.scheduling@dc.gov), and the 311 mobile app heading ("Construction-Erosion Runoff"). [21 DCMR § 543.22]

If a site disturbs 5,000 square feet of land or greater, the ESC plan must contain the following statement:

15.

A Responsible Person must be present or available while the site is in a land-disturbing phase. The Responsible Person is charged with being available to (a) inspect the site and its ESC measures at least once biweekly and after a rainfall event to identify and remedy each potential or actual erosion problem, (b) respond to each potential or actual erosion problem identified by construction personnel, and (c) speak on site with DOEE to remedy each potential or actual erosion problem. A Responsible Person shall be (a) licensed in the District of Columbia as a civil or geotechnical engineer, a land surveyor, or architect; or (b) certified through a training program that DOEE approves, including a course on erosion control provided by another jurisdiction or professional association. During construction, the Responsible Person shall keep on site proof of professional licensing or of successful completion of a DOEE-approved training program. [21 DCMR § 547]

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9.1 Dust Control

9.1.1 Definition

To control blowing dust and movement on construction sites and roads.

9.1.2 Purpose

To prevent or reduce the blowing and movement of dust from disturbed soil surfaces that may create off-site damage, health hazards, and traffic safety problems.

9.1.3 Conditions Where Practice Applies

This practice is applicable to areas subject to dust blowing and movement where on and off-site nuisance dust damage is likely without treatment.

9.1.4 Design Criteria

When designing a dust control plan for a site, the amount of soil exposed will dictate the quantity of dust generation and transport. Therefore, construction sequencing and disturbing only small areas at a time can greatly reduce problematic dust from a site. If land should be disturbed, consider additional temporary stabilization measures prior to disturbance.

Temporary Methods

1.

Mulches – See Section 2.7 Mulching. Chemical or wood cellulose fiber binders must be used instead of asphalt to bind mulch material.

2.

Vegetative Cover – See Section 2.10 Vegetative Stabilization.

3.

Spray-on Adhesives – Use on mineral soils (not effective on muck soils). These are generally synthetic materials that are applied to the soil surface to act as binding agents. Asphalt-based and coal tar-based materials are not accepted. Keep traffic off these areas once they have been treated. The following table may be used for general guidance.

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Table 9.1 Spray-on Adhesives Guidance

Adhesive	Water Dilution (Adhesive: Water)	Type of Nozzle	Application Rate (gallons/acre)
Latex emulsion	12.5:1	Fine spray	235
Resin-in-water emulsion	4:1	Fine spray	300
Acrylic emulsion (non-traffic)	7:1	Coarse spray	450
Acrylic emulsion (traffic)	3.5:1	Coarse spray	350

4.

Tillage – This is an emergency temporary practice that will scarify the soil surface and prevent or reduce the amount of blowing dust until a more appropriate solution can be implemented. Begin the tillage operation on the windward side of site. Use a chisel-type plows to produce the best results.

5.

Sprinkling – This is the most commonly used dust control practice. The site is sprinkled with water until the surface is moist and repeated as needed. This practice can be particularly effective for road construction and other traffic routes. The site must not be sprinkled to the point that runoff occurs.

6.

Barriers – Solid board fences, snow fences, burlap fences, straw bales, crate walls, or similar materials can be used to control air currents and soil blowing.

7.

Calcium Chloride – Can be applied as flakes or granular material with a mechanical spreader at a rate that will keep the soil surface moist but not so high as to cause water pollution or plant damage. Can be reapplied as necessary.

Permanent Methods

1.

Permanent Vegetation – See Section 2.10 Vegetative Stabilization. Existing trees or large shrubs may afford valuable protection if left in place.

2.

Topsoiling – Covering with less erosive soil materials. See Section 2.6 Topsoiling.

3.

Stone – Cover surface with crushed stone or coarse gravel. See Section 2.3 Construction Road Stabilization and Section 2.4 Construction Debris Ground Cover.

9.1.5 Construction Specifications

1.

The contractor must conduct operations and maintain the project site so as to minimize the creation and dispersion of dust. Use dust control throughout the work at the site.

2.

The contractor must provide clean water, free from salt, oil, and other deleterious material to be used for on-site dust control.

3.

The contractor shall supply water-spraying equipment capable of accessing all work areas.

4.

The contractor shall implement strict dust control measures during active construction periods on-site. These control measures shall generally consist of water applications that

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shall be applied a minimum of once per day during dry weather or more often as required to prevent dust emissions.

5.

For water application to undisturbed soil surfaces, the contractor shall:

(a)

Apply water with equipment consisting of tank, spray bar, and pump with discharge pressure gauge.

(b)

Arrange spray bar height, nozzle spacing and spray pattern to provide complete coverage of ground with water.

(c)

Disperse water through nozzles on spray bar at 20 psi (137.8 kPa) minimum. Keep areas damp without creating nuisance conditions such as ponding.

6.

For water application to soil surfaces during demolition and/or excavation, the contractor shall:

a)

Apply water with equipment consisting of a tank, pump with discharge gauge, hoses and mist nozzles.

b)

Locate tank and spraying equipment so that the entire excavation area can be misted without interfering with demolition and/or excavation equipment or operations. Keep areas damp without creating nuisance conditions such as ponding.

c)

Apply water spray in a manner to prevent movement of spray beyond the site boundaries.

9.1.6 Maintenance

Because dust controls are dependent on specific site and weather conditions, inspection and maintenance are unique for each site. Generally, dust control measures involving application of either water or chemicals require more monitoring than structural or vegetative controls to remain effective. If structural controls are used, inspect them for deterioration on a regular basis to ensure that they are still achieving their intended purpose.

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