City of Zeeland MS4 NPDES Permit

Construction Storm Water Runoff Control Program

In Ottawa County, the Part 91 County Enforcing Agency is the Ottawa County Water Resources Commissioner (OCWRC). The City of Zeeland is not a Part 91 Agency and relies on the OCWRC to enforce Part 91 regulations within the City of Zeeland.

The City of Zeeland receives complaints related to construction site storm water runoff at their main office in City Hall. The staff person receiving the complaint records information about the complaint and forwards the information to appropriate City staff for follow up. A representative from the City of Zeeland will perform an initial sit investigation with one (1) business day to confirm and verify the nature of the complaints. City staff will document site conditions and take photos as appropriate. If the complaint is related to a construction site regulated under Part 91, all documentation will be forwarded to the OCWRC's office for enforcement action. The City of Zeeland will maintain copies of all complaint and site investigation documentation including any resolution or enforcement action taken by the County Enforcing Agency.

When it is perceived that a significant discharge of material (*i.e.* an amount which will degrade water quality) has occurred from construction activity, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) will be contacted. A representative from the City of Zeeland will contact the OCRWC's Soil Erosion Agent, who will contact the MDEQ notifying of the discharge and corrective action taken.

The Ottawa County Soil Erosion Ordinance requires that construction activity one acre or greater in total earth disturbance requires a Part 91 permit through the OCWRC. Any planned construction site that discharges to an MS4 requires site plan approval from OCWRC. The City of Zeeland Storm Water Ordinance requires that a Part 91 permit be obtained from the OCWRC's office for any earth change that is greater than once acres or less than 500 feet from any lake or stream (See Attachment 5, Division 2, Sec. 18-54).

For planned construction activity by a private land owner that will impact City Of Zeeland right of ways, the City's Engineer reviews the plans. The review letter by the engineer will indicate as a condition of approval, a Part 91 SESC review is required from the ACHD to comply with the State of Michigan Permit by Rule (Rule 323.2190). The OCWRC and shall be copied with the City Engineer's review.