

Construction Outreach and Education

Uncontrolled urban runoff from construction sites can significantly impact the water quality of local water bodies. These water quality impacts, which are usually seen as excessive erosion and sedimentation, must be controlled in accordance with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)/Phase II Small MS4 Permit (MS4).

MS4 Provision C.6 requires the City to implement a construction site inspection and control program at all construction sites, with follow-up and enforcement, as needed. The provision identifies specific elements of the program including legal authority through local ordinances/municipal code, six Best Management Practices (BMPs) categories, a plan approval process, minimum inspection frequencies, inspection content, data tracking and reporting and staff training.

The City of Los Banos wants to ensure that all construction operators doing work within the City Limits are informed of training opportunities, appropriate BMP installation, implementation, and maintenance as well as overall program compliance.

To assist in managing potential pollutants from construction-related activities, various regulatory agencies and organizations have developed informational manuals, brochures and guidance documents to comply with NPDES stormwater requirements. Information provided on these websites includes available resources which detail best management practices (BMPs) for construction sites, information on how to prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, and various training opportunities. Links to these agencies and documents are available in our [Helpful Links](#) section.