

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

New Training Requirements National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)

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On all projects let to contract after October 1, 2018, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department will require that the prime contractor's project superintendent or supervisor (as defined in Section 105.06 of the Standard Specifications) on projects which include the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan Special Provision must attend National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) training and possess the NPDES certification provided by the Center for Training Transportation Professionals (CTTP) at the University of Arkansas' Mack Blackwell Rural Transportation Studies Center.

The NPDES course covers topics pertaining to erosion and sediment control, including laws and regulations, best management practices, design and inspection. The procedures covered are those prescribed by the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department's Standard Specifications for Highway Construction (2014 Edition), the current NPDES general construction permit as designated by the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), and the AHTD Erosion and Sediment Control Design and Construction Manual.

Upon successful completion of the written exam, participants will receive a five-year certification in National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) from CTTP. Certified individuals will receive a CTTP certificate and pocket card, and will be added to the CTTP website list of Certified Technicians. Expiration dates occur on a semi-annual basis, and will be either June 30 or December 31 after the five-year certification period.

Training sessions will primarily be held at the CTTP facility in Fayetteville. Limited additional sessions will also be scheduled to be held in Little Rock. A complete listing of course availability can be found at the CTTP website.

Contractors may register for a NPDES course by contacting CTTP Administration at (479) 575-3997 or by visiting the CTTP website at www.cttp.org . Course Fees will apply.