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**HELPING YOU MEET REGS**

**Basic Stormwater Best Management Practices for Construction Sites**

* Review and Know the Codes and Permit Requirements
* Limit Land Disturbance, i.e. establish clearing limits, provide dust control, and limit equipment travel ways.
* Preserve Natural Vegetation, i.e. maintain vegetative buffer zones towards waterways.
* Increase Water Infiltration, i.e. vegetative drainages and bio-detention basins.
* Use Man-Made Erosion Controls, i.e. silt fences and/or wattles, pave or gravel roadways.
* Protect Slopes, i.e. re-establish cover and bench/dikes/berm to reduce flow velocity.
* Use Downspouts and Swales to Redirect Stormwater, i.e. rock or vegetation lined with check dams.
* Capture Sediment-laden water, i.e. silt fences, detention ponds or wetland filters
* Use Storm Drain Filters and Protection
* Create Special Bays for Equipment Fueling & Washouts
* Properly Store and Cover Worksite Materials
* Train Employees and Subcontractors on Procedures and provide sanitation facilities
* Conduct Frequent Inspections
* Stabilize Work Zones after Construction has Ceased

 **Potential Code Violations for Not Implementing Best Management Practices**

1. Valley County Code 9-5A-1 and 9-4-3-4
2. Idaho Water Quality Standards (IDAPA 58.01.25, IDAPA 58.01.02.050, IDAPA 58.01.051, IDAPA 58.01.02.350, Idaho Statute 39-126, Idaho Statute Title 39-3610 and IDAPA 58.01.02 080, et al). Stream Channel Protection Act (Title 42, Chapter 38, Idaho Code).
3. Federal Clean Water Act 33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq. (1972)
4. City Ordinances & Special Requirements

**BMP References:**

* <https://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater-discharges-construction-activities>
* <https://www.co.valley.id.us/media/Departments/PlanningZoning/Stormwater.pdf>