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STOP WORK ORDER

Date: 04/03/2023

Certified Mail #: 7021 2720 0000 5060 1915

Company: Ellicott School District
Attn: Jackie Chambers
1180 Transit Dr.
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

RE: Immediate Stop Work Order for Construction Activities at 322 S Ellicott Highway with Parcel/Property Schedule Number 2418000019 and EPC Stormwater Permit #: PPR2250.

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to the attention of the El Paso County (EPC) Department of Public Works (DPW) Stormwater group that construction activities occurring on the property identified above are currently in violation of EPC stormwater permit (ESQCP and/or BESQCP) requirements, the EPC Engineering Criteria Manual (ECM), and/or the Land Development Code (LDC).

All construction activities on the site must immediately cease until these violations are rectified.

The specific actions or omissions giving rise to this Stop Work Order are:

Construction activities involving land disturbances or site conditions that necessitate an EPC Erosion & Stormwater Quality Control Permit (ESQCP) are occurring on the property identified above. As of the date stated above, EPC has not received and/or approved all required stormwater related documents (e.g., construction drawings, grading and erosion control (GEC) plans, Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP), etc.) and/or an ESQCP has not been issued for this activity.

You must immediately discontinue all land disturbing activities until compliance with the applicable provisions of the ECM has occurred. At a minimum, an ESQCP (and subsequently a GEC Plan) must be approved by the ECM Administrator, and all required Best Management Practices (BMPs) identified in the approved plans must be installed and functional. A Notice to Proceed (NTP) will then be issued to allow for the construction of the site consistent with the approved permit.

Pursuant to ECM Appendix I.6, paragraph 2: "It is the responsibility of the owner to take all necessary measures to ensure that the site is in compliance with County resolutions and Construction Permit, Stormwater Management Plan and the Erosion and Stormwater Quality Control Permit or Builder's Erosion and Stormwater Quality Control Permit." The ECM also provides in Appendix I.6.1.J, "A Stop Work Order may also be issued if the site operator has demonstrated obvious non-compliance with the ESQCP or BESQCP after repeated attempts by the Inspector to bring the site into compliance."

Please note that by signing your ESQCP or BESQCP Application Form, you agreed to the following:

- ESQCP Section 1.3: "We, as the Applicant or the representative of the Applicant, have read and will comply with all of the requirements of the specified Stormwater Management Plan and any other documents specifying stormwater best management practices to be used on the site including permit conditions that may be required by the ECM Administrator. We understand that the Best Management Practices are to be maintained on the site and revised as necessary to protect stormwater quality as the project progresses."
- BESQCP Section 1.3: "I understand that the Best Management Practices are to be maintained on the site and revised as necessary to protect stormwater quality as the project progresses. The site and adjacent areas will be self-inspected as often as necessary to be sure that Best Management Practices are installed correctly and functioning for each stage of construction and following each rain event."

This site may also not comply with your EPC approved SWMP (if applicable).

If land disturbing activities are not suspended, the county may pursue those remedies prescribed in Appendix I of the ECM which includes the following:

1. Issue a Verbal Warning of Noncompliance (ECM App. I.6)
 - Issued on the following date(s): 03/30/2023
2. Issue a Written Letter of Noncompliance (ECM App. I.6)
 - Issued on the following date(s): 04/03/2023
3. **Issue a Stop Work Order (ECM App. I.6), current level of enforcement**
4. Revoke the County permit (ESQCP and/or BESQCP)
5. Seek a court order to stop work and/or remedy the site
6. If there is an illicit discharge, to enforce the County's Illicit Discharge Ordinance, Ordinance 07-01, As Amended (see C.R.S. Title 30-15-401; 30-15-402)

Should you have any questions and/or want to discuss the next steps, please contact the Stormwater Inspector for this site, Natasha Grimaldo. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Respectfully,



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