

**commentletters - Comment on the NPDES draft General Permit for Construction Activities**

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Dear State Water Resources Control Board,

After reviewing the draft General Permit for Construction Activities and attending the workshop on May 21st I would like to submit a comment of concern about the requirement for certification. The certification process should include a method to allow persons with a certain number years of experience and/or a combination of experience and education in a field like landscape architecture but w/out a license to be certified. There are many people who have been writing SWPPPs and Storm Water Monitoring Plans and implementing them or overseeing them since the 1990s. These individuals know a lot more than someone who is has one of the 8 allowed certifications or registrations.

There should also be a way for an on-site employee to be trained to conduct the inspections and sampling required under the oversight of the SWPPP preparer or other such qualified person.

Sincerely,  
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