

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING

Stormwater Condition Compliance Monitoring Cases

What is a Stormwater Condition Compliance Monitoring Case?

A Stormwater Condition Compliance Monitoring (CCM) case is a method of tracking long-term compliance with post-construction stormwater management requirements. CCM Cases are used to verify that structural controls for managing stormwater runoff are maintained and operational. CCM cases track Stormwater Structural Control Measure (SCMs) such as infiltration basins, bioswales, underground detention structures, and pervious pavement.

When is a Stormwater CCM case required?

CCM cases are required for a subset of projects constructed within the County's Stormwater Management Area. The need for a CCM case will be determined at the completion of Public Works Drainage Review of the Stormwater Control Plan Application. The Storm Water Control Plan (SWCP) Application should be completed by the project engineer or architect. The impervious footprint (e.g., roofs, sidewalk, patios, driveways, and streets) of the project is included in the SWCP.

The SWCP is available at:

http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Services/Stormwater-Requirements-for-New-Construction.aspx

Generally, CCM cases are necessary for:

- Single Family Dwellings that create or replace >15,000 square feet impervious area
- Commercial/Industrial projects that create or replace >5,000 square feet impervious area.

CCM cases are opened for all projects that trigger Performance Requirements 2, 3, or 4 (per Central Coast Water Board Resolution No. R3-2013-0032).

What are the long-term responsibilities associated with a CCM Permit?

A detailed description of the stormwater management system and the operation and maintenance requirements must be recorded with the Clerk Recorder prior to final of building permits. The recorded Operation and Maintenance Agreement binds current and future owners of the site to maintaining the stormwater drainage system to the design conditions in perpetuity. The stormwater system owner/operator must submit annual inspection reports to the Planning and Building Department by June 15th each year verifying that the system is maintained and operational per the Operation and Maintenance Agreement.

Additional Details are available at:

https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Planning-Building/Agriculture,-Water,-and-Energy/Stormwater/Post-Construction-Stormwater-Management.aspx

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When is the CCM permit case created?

The CCM permit case is created at the completion of Public Works drainage review process. The Planning and Building Department will create a CCM permit and will provide a permanent CCM permit number prior to issuance of building permits. The CCM permit number will be referenced on the recorded Operation and Maintenance Agreement.

How much does a CCM Permit Cost?

A fee for opening a stormwater CCM Case is paid at building permit issuance, that covers the life of the CCM permit case. The fee includes a field inspection of all stormwater structural control measures prior to final of the building permits and management of the annual inspection program after project completion. Fees are based on current Department of Planning and Building Fee Schedule.

For the fiscal year 2021-2022, the fee for opening a stormwater CCM Case is based on number of SCM features associated with the project. The following fees apply, based on project size:

- One-time fee of \$932 (L14: Condition Compliance Minor with Site Visit)
- One-time fee of \$1,709 (L18: Condition Compliance Major with Site Visit)

Who is responsible for inspecting the stormwater management system?

A representative from County Public Works or Planning and Building will inspect and verify the system at the completion of building. Subsequent annual inspections will be the responsibility of the owner/operator. While not required, a licensed Civil Engineer (CE) or Qualified Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Practitioner (QSP) can be contracted by the owner/operation to provide assistance, if needed.

The County Planning and Building Department will periodically conduct oversight inspections of installed stormwater systems per State requirements. Drainage system owners will be notified in advance of County oversight inspections.

How are Stormwater CCM Cases enforced?

The County will request annual inspection reports from the last recorded system owner/operator should the June 15th submission deadline be missed. Cases that fail to respond or provide the required inspection reports will be referred to County Code Enforcement for follow up. If a County oversight inspection determines that the stormwater management system has not been properly maintained, a correction notice will be issued. Failure to make required repairs in a timely manner constitutes a public nuisance and may generate Code Enforcement action and associated fines.

For additional information please contact the following staff.

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