

Subject: Post Construction Best Management Practices

COMPLIANCE CONNECTION

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What are Post Construction BMPs & Why Care?

- EPA, IDEM, and Local government require post construction best management practices to help reduce pollutants from leaving a newly developed site.
- Once the job is complete, and the contractor leaves, responsibility for maintaining these BMPs shifts to the property owner.
- Periodic inspections of these practices is required for as long as you own the property.
- Failure to maintain your BMPs may result in violations.
- Failure to correct violations may result in your municipality making corrections at your expense.
- A small effort on your part may save you money and headaches later.

Permanent:

70% vegetative cover. This means when you look down at the grass, you see green and not soil.

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WHAT ARE YOUR BMPs

1. The practices should be listed on your SWPPP.
2. Description of required maintenance should also be included
3. Frequency of maintenance should be included.
4. Typical BMPs may include:
 - Outfalls (pipe ends)
 - Dry or wet detention ponds
 - Rain gardens
 - Native vegetation
 - Catch basins and inlets
 - Preserved green space
 - Wetlands



MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Inspect at least annually. SWPPP maintenance guidelines may require more frequent inspections for some BMPs.
2. Watch for any erosion or scouring and repair immediately.
3. Replace any failed vegetation. Determine reason for failure.
4. Removed nuisance plants from native vegetation
5. Check inlets for blockage
6. Clean floatables and sediment from catch basins
7. Document inspections, maintenance, and corrections.

