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I do hunt, and I do fish, and I don't apologize to anybody for hunting and fishing.
Norman Schwarzkopf



How well is your Stormwater Treatment System Working.....For You?

Are you prepared to prove your site is ready for the next big rain, after it rains?

- Are you adjusting the stormwater pollution prevention plan (otherwise known in Georgia as your ES&PC Plan) as rain events come and go?

- Are the devices used to reduce erosion and control sedimentation ([vegetative](#) and [structural](#) BMPs) prepared for the next rain? Can you prove it?

- Do your inspection forms comply with your NPDES General Permit inspection and monitoring requirements?

- Are you fixing deficiencies so they don't turn into violations?

- Are the neighbors downstream aware of your efforts to prevent a catastrophe on their creek and/or properties. Are you prepared to fix the damage so they don't sue you?

Preparing for land disturbing activity is like setting up a stormwater treatment system. Watch this brief 2 minute video to get some perspective.





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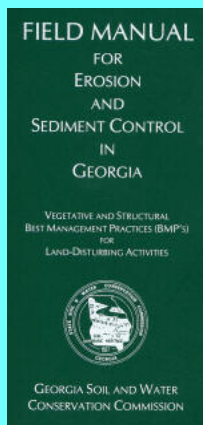
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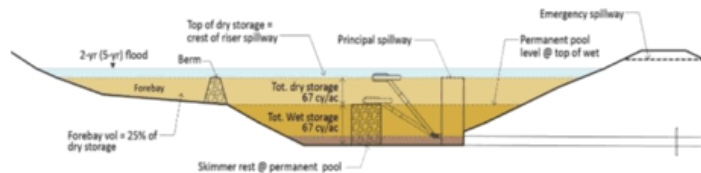
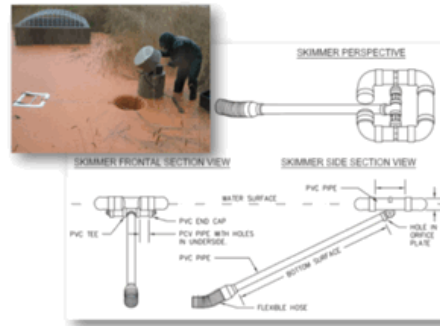


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If you need some clarity when it comes to sediment basin design, installation and maintenance of surface skimmers and baffles, this class will cover everything you **need** to know!

BONUS: A certificate of completion will be provided for each attendee that can be used to fulfill your GSWCC re-certification as well!



Answers to questions covered in the class will include:

- 1) What types of Surface skimming (Sk) devices can I legally install?
- 2) How do I connect the skimmer to the outlet of a temporary basin?
- 3) What kind of baffle designs will work best in various situations?
- 4) Are there resources available to design and construct one myself so I can save money?
- 5) Can I use the **5th Edition Greenbook** instead of the **6th Edition** and not worry about installing a surface skimmer device?

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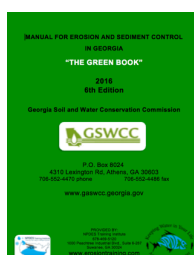


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[2013 GAR100002 - NPDES GENERAL PERMIT - INFRASTRUCTURE](#)

[2013 GAR100003 - NPDES GENERAL PERMIT - COMMON DEVELOPMENT](#)

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Is Government Regulation Necessary for America's Water Quality?



Your answer to that question may stir up strong feelings depending on a bunch of different factors. Regardless, I would argue that many of our regulations are necessary if properly applied.

Those who want less regulation argue that if you remove government restrictions, the free market will force businesses to

protect consumers, provide superior products or services, and create affordable prices for everyone. *Does this perspective properly consider water quality protection?*

There's no question in my mind that "most government" is inefficient and creates a big bureaucracy that unnecessarily increases the cost of doing business for everyone. *Is this true when it comes to protecting our water quality?*

Those who argue that government regulations are necessary to protect consumers, water quality and the general public claim that corporations are not looking out for the public's interest in the short term and long term, and that it is precisely for this reason that regulations are required. *How does this apply to water quality protection?*



[READ MORE](#) for an interesting article about government regulation.



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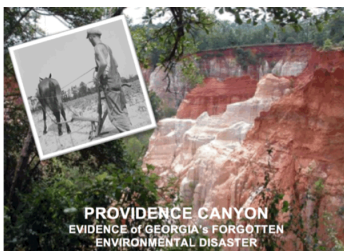
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**HERE's TO TIGHT LINES & GOOD TIMES
in Clean Abundant Water!!!**



Please remember our military men and women serving the USA who always need our support!

Respecting our neighbors downstream is what NPDES is all about. It's OUR CHILDREN that will be living through decisions we make

today.

NPDES is an investment into our nations future generations so they can also have an equally great place to live, swim, fish, boat, and hunt tomorrow!

A lot is happening today with water regulations that affect a diverse community of public and private



entities. If you have areas of interest that you would like included in this newsletter, please contact me at 678-469-5120.



As of February 2016, the NPDES Training Institute will present video's imbedded in various articles of this newsletter. The purpose of implementing video is to introduce concepts and considerations in a different media for purposes related to increasing awareness and education in the water management community. The intent is not to demonstrate the "only" way but only offer considerations and possible alternative solutions to the challenges faced by design, installation and maintenance personnel with regard to managing stormwater and other environmental concerns in urban and rural watersheds. Demonstrating ones "intent to comply" with the NPDES Permit and other federal, state

and local requirements will protect our watersheds, as well as our pocket books in the future.

Sincerely,
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