

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Means a Good Job AND Good Water Quality!



A country that has both good paying jobs and good water quality, makes people want to live in it. Our ability to profit from our hard work coupled with improving and maintaining surface water quality, are TOP CONTENDERS for the #1 Spot of what makes America, the Beautiful! "Together, they are an integral part of the fabric that makes America a country that is truly beautiful and capable of giving it's citizens a quality of life, worth living". Without either one of them, America would be no different than the countries many people are fleeing from today. Many do not realize that in America, we invest back into our environment mostly through government programs, that unfortunately few people know or understand. We pay because we can afford to, with our good paying jobs. That said, a good job is only half the equation to living a life that is enjoyable. The other half involves spending our hard earned money on fun things at stores like Bass Pro Shops, Adventure Outdoors and Academy Sports to name a few. If you doubt that, just drive to a

Bass Pro Shop store this weekend; sit in your car for a minute and witness the hundreds, if not thousands of people spending their money on a fishing poles, reels, lures, and fish finders, not only for themselves, but also as gifts for that special someone they hope will share their joy of playing in America's environment.

Spreading the good news of America's Point Source NPDES permitting program is my chosen profession; and it stems from my love of America, a country that has provided myself, my family, and friends an incredible quality of life. A country I served as a United States Marine and a country that continues to give back much more than I have given it. Today, I've learned that my quality of life is directly dependent on both (1) the money I get from my job, and (2) the water quality I wish to enjoy. Without either one of them, the lives of over 330 million Americans would suffer greatly.

THANKSGIVING in AMERICA must be more today than a mere nod of appreciation. Supporting your local municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4's) can go along ways in demonstrating your sincere appreciation for water quality. Everyone, including our political leaders, must support properly managed MS4s. MS4s Matter in America like never before!

This Thursday as you eat that turkey, ham, keto diet or vegan meal; I hope you decide to express your thankfulness for America by deciding to support watershed protection in 2019.



MS4s Matter!

Happy Thanksgiving!

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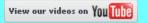
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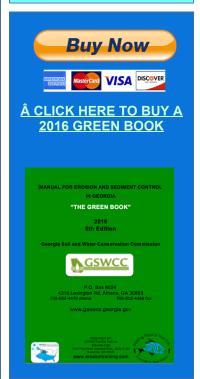
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GREENBOOK CORNER



The Manual for Erosion and Sediment Control in Georgia Because of requests from you, our subscribers, we're launching the GREENBOOK CORNER, a discussion of specific BMPs of interest.

Dc - Stream Diversion Channel

<u>Always</u> check the Georgia Georgia EPD Watershed Protection Branch for buffer variance requirements. Also check with the Army Corp of Engineers when dredge or fill operations will occur within the stream channel.

PURPOSE

To protect the streambed from erosion and allow work "in the dry".

CONDITIONS

Temporary stream diversion channels shall be used only on following streams with a drainage area less than one square mile. Structures or methodology for crossing streams with larger drainage areas should be designed with methods that more accurately define the actual hydrologic and hydraulic parameters that will affect the functioning of the structure. A Stream Buffer Variance from the GA EPD may be required, unless specifically exempt from the Act and all other appropriate agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, must be contacted to ensure compliance with other laws. PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

DEFINITION

A temporary channel constructed to convey flow around a construction site while a permanent structure is being constructed in the stream channel.



Utilities or roads frequently cross and impact live streams creating a potential for excessive sediment loss into a stream by both the disturbance of the approach areas and by the work within the stream bed and banks.

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This course meets the MS4 NPDES Permit Green Infrastructure Requirement for Training

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2019

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Catching Urban Stormwater

Australia has already started to test a network of drainages with mesh so that plastics and other pollutants do not reach rivers or sea.

For this to work here in the USA, maintenance means first and foremost, public education & outreach to prevent trash from entering the drainages, and second, Pubic Works Departments having dedicated staff available to maintain these systems.



What do you think? Is this approach practical for your MS4? Are they worth testing?

The Weather Channel

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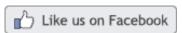


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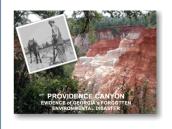
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WHO NEEDS TO BE CERTIFIED in GEORGIA - FACT SHEET

March 5, 2012 Memo for Projects Less than 1-Acre

NEW 2014 303d LIST (Georgia) - for use as of July, 2016

EPD GUIDANCE TO SWCC DISTRICTS FOR PLAN REVIEWS

<u>CITY OF ATLANTA - Green Infrastructure Information, forms, etc.</u>

BUILDING & RENOVATING A POND in GEORGIA

TMDL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

STREAMBANK & SHORELINE RESTORATION in GEORGIA

GESA Exemption #8

BUFFER VARIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR DAMS

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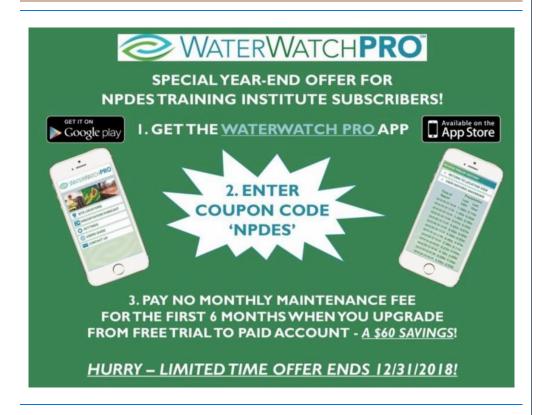
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We, at the NPDES Training Institute, work hard for you, the people in our country that serve the public everyday in their jobs to build America strong and regulate the integrity of our nations urban watersheds!

We must ALWAYS remember that Freedom and Liberty are not free. People have sacrificed their lives and are sacrificing their lives today to give us what we so often take for granted!

Respecting our neighbors downstream and the fish trying to live in our urban watersheds is more important now than

ever! Respecting those downstream from our actions is what America is all about, and it's compliance with NPDES Permits that prove our respect.



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