



ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

STORMWATER QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

All development within the Suburban Services Area, as defined in the 2012 Hanover Comprehensive Plan, must comply with the water quality requirements of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act. Within that area, property owners have the option of participating in the County's regional stormwater program or meeting water quality requirements within the development. The County's regional stormwater program provides for the collection of a one-time pro-rata share fee from development. These fees, which are based on the amount of impervious surface, are used to construct regional stormwater management ponds to meet water quality requirements instead of requiring on-site Best Management Practices (BMPs).

New developments and redevelopments located outside of the Suburban Services Area are not eligible to participate in the Regional Stormwater Management Program. These developments must comply with the requirements mandated by the Chesapeake Bay Act Regulations and the [Virginia Stormwater Management Program](#).

For additional information on the County's stormwater requirements, contact the Hanover County Department of Public Works at 804-365-6181.

Stormwater Permitting Requirements for Construction Activities

Owners and/or operators of construction activities equal to or larger than one (1) acre are required to apply for registration coverage under the General Permit for Discharges of Stormwater From Construction Activities from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation under the [Virginia Stormwater Management Program \(VSMP\)](#).

Owners and/or operators of construction activities larger than 2,500 square feet and less than one (1) acre located in Chesapeake Bay Preservation Areas are also required to apply for registration coverage.

For additional information on stormwater permitting requirements for construction activities, contact the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation at 804-786-1712.

