

CITY OF McALLEN

PROJECT SITE SW3P NARRATIVE SHEET

INTRODUCTION

In an effort to comply with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ) General Permit to Discharge Under the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TXR150000) and enforce its Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance, Chapter 120, Article I, the City of McAllen adopted the Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet effective immediately. The Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet is required to be used for projects within the City of McAllen and its extraterritorial jurisdiction and shall be submitted for City review prior to releasing project plans for construction.

Operators shall reference TPDES General Permit for any clarification on definitions and/or requirements. The Part and Section references on the Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet refer to the TPDES Construction General Permit where the actual requirements for the SW3P are spelled out.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet for use on private development projects in the City of McAllen will be prepared for the project and be included in the construction drawing set. The following documents shall be included and will comprise the SW3P for the project:

1. Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet;
2. Construction erosion control plans;
3. Construction site notice;
4. Notices of Intent for all Operators, if applicable;
5. A copy of the TXR authorization number, if applicable;
6. And a copy of the TPDES Construction General Permit.

The majority of the SW3P items shall be completed on the sheets prior to approval by the City, leaving several items to be completed by the responsible Operator for the project during the construction process.

The responsible Operator shall identify and use one approved copy of the construction plans with a copy of the TPDES Construction General Permit as the SW3P set. This is critical for compliance with TPDES General Permit requirements and will make the record keeping task much easier to perform. Identified items on the Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet shall be completed by the responsible Operator prior to the start of construction and the SW3P shall be kept up-to-date as the project continues. The erosion control plans and details in the construction plan set can be used as the record keeping ledger by noting revisions, installation dates, maintenance performed, removal dates, etc. on the plan sheets.

The Operators will each be responsible for providing qualified inspectors for the project to perform required SW3P inspections at the interval selected in the SW3P. The TPDES General Permit requires all Operators on a project to perform SW3P inspections or to properly authorize a representative to perform their inspections.

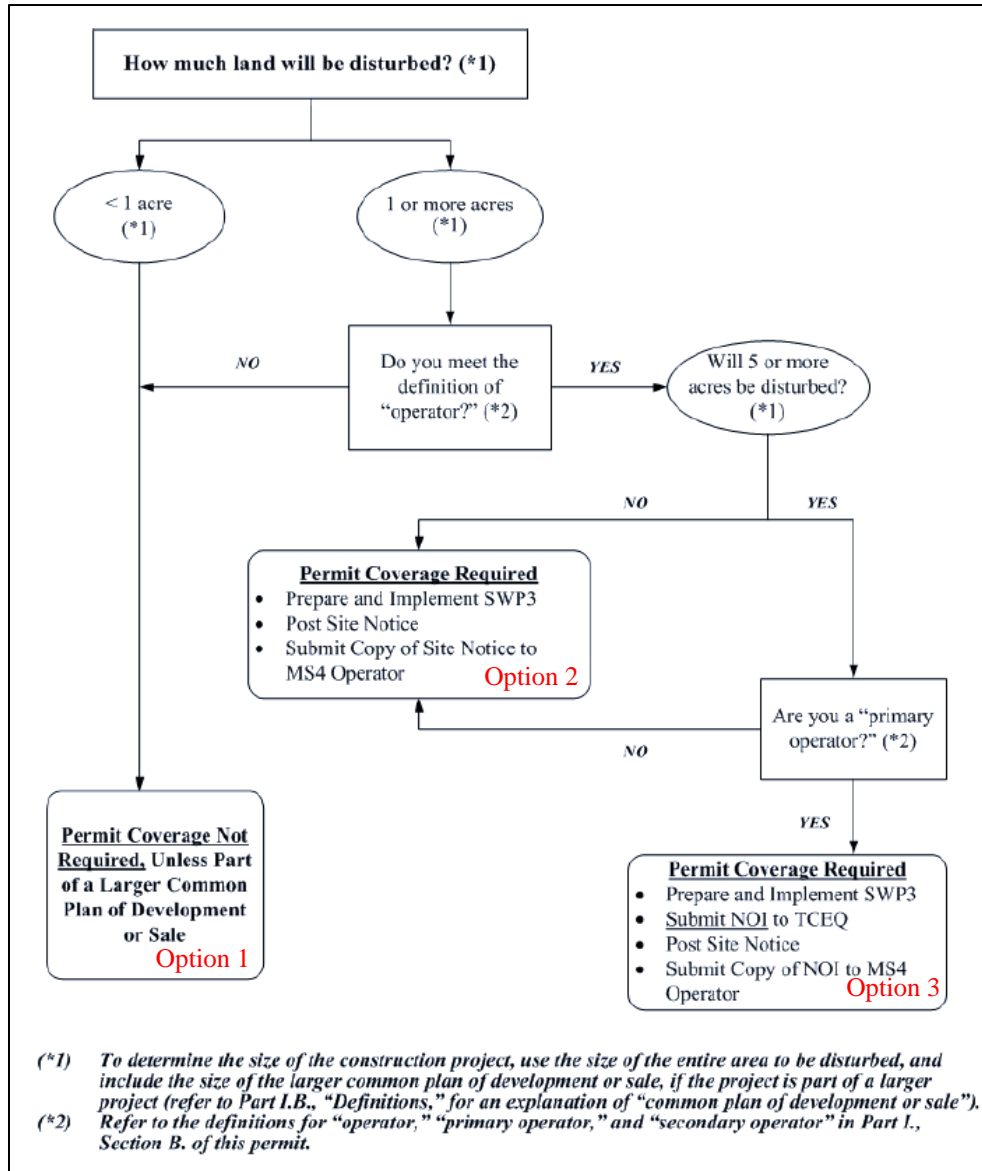
Inspection reports for sites that are in full compliance with the TPDES General Permit must be properly certified by the Operator. Inspectors cannot certify inspection reports unless they are authorized in writing by the Operator and this authorization is copied to TCEQ and the City.

EPA and TCEQ consider the SW3P for a construction site as a “living document” that should be modified and kept up-to-date as the project progresses. Both entities have jurisdiction within the State of Texas and may enforce the TPDES General Permit in response to complaints.

PROJECT SITE SW3P NARRATIVE SHEET INSTRUCTIONS

DETERMINE TOTAL LAND AREA DISTURBED – When calculating total area of land to be disturbed, all construction and construction support activities shall be taken into account.

Refer to the following chart to determine permit coverage requirements for your project:



Excerpt from TPDES General Permit TXR150000 (March 8th, 2018), pg. 5. Notes in red added by City of McAllen for guidance.

The following options are based on the total land disturbed determination made above:

- Option 1: Use **Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet for Construction Activities Smaller than 1 Acre.**
- Option 2: Use **Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet for Construction Activities Larger than 1 Acre.** The “For Small Construction Activity” sections would apply.
- Option 3: Use **Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet for Construction Activities Larger than 1 Acre.** The “For Large Construction Activity” sections would apply.

FILLING OUT TITLE BLOCK INFORMATION – Insert the project name in the large text box. This will be the plat name for the site used by the City.

- Insert the City assigned project number for the site in the text box provided.
- Insert the date the sheet was prepared (XX/XX/XX).
- The "Completed By" box should include the name, address (or email) and phone number of the person/firm that completed the SW3P Narrative Sheets.
- The Plan Sheet No. should be the sequential page number where the sheet is found in the construction plan set.
- The Project Site SW3P Narrative Sheet is not required to be signed and sealed by a professional engineer, but the erosion control plans shall be.