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**DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING  
DESIGN BULLETIN**

**CATEGORY: 3 Improvement Plans, Storm Drain**  
**TITLE: 3.4.2 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans**

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THE NEED FOR PREPARING A STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN (SWPPP) IS DICTATED BY STATE LAW. WHEN STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT A SWPPP BE PREPARED, A COPY OF THE PLAN MUST BE PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION FOR PERMITS TO PERFORM ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

1. Grading (including clearing and grubbing)
2. Demolition
3. Activities requiring an encroachment permit
4. Construction of structures regulated by the Building Code
5. Construction of utilities

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Most projects that do not trigger the requirement for a SWPPP still require some sort of plan to control water pollution during construction activities. A future Design Bulletin will address these projects and requirements for pollution control.