VPDES CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PERMIT AND POST CONSTRUCTION STORMWATER MANAGEMENT:

All land disturbing activities that disturb an area equal to or greater than one acre in size require coverage under the General VPDES Permit for Discharges of Stormwater from Construction Activities (VPDES Construction General Permit) issued by DEQ. Land disturbing activities located in Chesapeake Bay Preservation Areas that disturb between 2,500 square feet and up to one acre are not required to have construction permit coverage but are regulated by certain technical criteria and administrative requirements of the VSMP regulations. Routine maintenance activities are exempt from the VSMP Regulations and VPDES Construction General Permit but are regulated by the ESC Law and Regulations. (See the current version of IIM-LD-242 for additional information).

Post construction stormwater management has become complex with the current VSMP Regulations. Designers should engage stormwater requirements at the earliest stage of project development to ensure the purpose and need of the project can be accomplished. (See IIM-LD-195 and the VDOT Drainage Manual for additional information).^{*}

CONTRACT TIME LIMIT

Generally, a fixed contract completion date should be established. However, the contract time limit should be determined after thorough consideration of the need to realize the lowest cost possible to provide the improvement at the earliest practical date.

PROCEDURES

General Description of Work

A general description of the work must be provided on the Project Narrative to denote the nature of the work to be performed, such as daylighting of slopes; realignment; intersection improvement; or widening of shoulders and ditch lines are to be completed by the District Engineer/Administrator's Staff. For VDOT advertised projects Form C-99 (No Plan and Minimum Plan Quantity Support Report) should be used. "Simple" sketches may be used in lieu of the narrative. They are to be submitted with the project assembly for the purpose of providing information concerning the general description of construction work from which to develop and support the construction cost estimate.

PROJECT SCOPING FIELD REVIEW

All projects are to be scoped and a Field Review is to be held in accordance with PM-100 these procedures will define the potential need for field and office engineering as well as right of way and environmental requirements.