

What to Expect from the City of Fort Worth Inspectors

Environmental Management maintains a database of construction sites in Fort Worth that are required to obtain coverage under the TCEQ Construction General Permit for stormwater discharges and conducts periodic inspections to determine permit compliance status.

These inspections may include:

- a review of the **Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan** (SWPPP)
- a review of records required to be maintained
- a site walk-through
- an inspection of facilities that have applied for a **No Exposure Exclusion** from permit requirements
- city inspection checklists have been developed to facilitate these inspections

Inspection Deficiency Procedures:

- Any deficiencies noted during the inspection are noted on a **Notice of Violation** (there are no fines associated with an NOV).
- Any illicit discharges that threaten the environment will require immediate action.
- Depending on the degree and nature of non-compliance, the NOV will provide up to 30 days for the site to make appropriate corrections. During this time, the inspector will work with the industry by supplying necessary paper work, answering questions, providing additional plan reviews or other assistance to help them gain compliance.
- The inspector will make a follow-up investigation at the end of the time allowed under the NOV to review the SWPPP and/or inspect the site as necessary to determine compliance status.
- Continued noncompliance may result in the issuance of citations with fines ranging from \$200 to \$2,000 per violation/per day or other enforcement actions.
- Operators should be aware that the TCEQ or EPA may visit a site at any time and initiate enforcement if the facility is found to be out of compliance, regardless of what actions the City is or has taken.

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