## City of St. Paul Department of Public Works Erosion Control During Construction Activities Policy February 23, 2015

The Department of Public Works is authorized by St. Paul Legislative Code ("Code") Chapter 51 to control the introduction of non-stormwater discharges to the City's municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4). Chapters 116 and 135 of the Code also authorize Public Works to manage the Right-of-Way ("ROW"). The policy stated herein seeks to improve management of the ROW and enforcement of Chapter 51 by addressing construction site disturbances.

As defined in Chapter 51 of the Code, storm sewer systems include, but may not necessarily be limited to: roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basin, curbs, gutters, ditches and man-made channels or storm drains. It is essential to prevent dirt, debris, oils and other non-stormwater discharges from entering the MS4. This policy addresses unregulated construction activity within the ROW to enhance protection of the MS4.

- Erosion and sediment control devices are REQUIRED of any construction work in the ROW which could result in non-stormwater discharges to the City's MS4.
- Baseline sediment controls (inlet protection and perimeter protection) MUST be installed prior to the commencement of construction or construction related activities. Other sediment controls may be required as determined by the City.
- Baseline erosion controls shall be implemented on stock piles or disturbed areas as conditions warrant.
- Additional provisions for dewatering, concrete wash out, or saw-cut slurry management shall be implemented as necessary for the construction activity.
- For both regulated and unregulated construction activity within the ROW, City ROW
  Inspectors are charged with verifying that erosion and sediment control devices are in
  place and properly functioning. A check list will be completed by said Inspector, as
  frequently as daily and at a minimum of weekly, which documents that the devices are in
  place and functioning properly.
- The contractor shall meet any and all requirements of other agencies including, but not necessarily limited to, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and the Minnesota Department of Transportation.
- The Erosion and Sediment Control Pocketbook Guide is a reference to assist with identifying appropriate practices, control devices, and their installation. The pocketbook can be found at: <a href="http://www.dot.state.mn.us/environment/pdf">http://www.dot.state.mn.us/environment/pdf</a> files/erosion-sedimentcontrol-handbook.pdf.

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