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Dear Hyde Park Residents and Contractors working in Hyde Park

This letter is intended to present information regarding EPA's Stormwater Requirements. You may notice different construction practices around town, see information posted in Town Hall and on the Town of Hyde Park web site, or receive a handout with application forms.

The Town of Hyde Park has come under new EPA/DEC regulations known as the Stormwater Phase II requirements. These regulations require applicants to address minimizing impacts to water quality and quantity as a result of construction activities. The regulations apply to disturbances of one acre or more on a single lot or in combination with other construction in a development. In other words the regulations apply to almost all construction projects.

Site operators must develop an erosion and sediment control plan in accordance with the New York Guidelines for Urban Erosion and Sediment Control, notify the DEC, wait 5 days for a review period, implement the plan, and maintain all protective measures throughout construction. If you are disturbing more than five acres, OR constructing something other than a single family residence, a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan must be developed in accordance with the NYS Stormwater Design Manual and be submitted to the Town Engineer for review. It must also be submitted to the DEC when permits other than the Stormwater SDPES Permit are required.

All projects in a watershed having a TMDL or 303d listing with DEC must also develop a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, have it certified by a licensed professional, submit a notice to DEC and begin construction after the 60 business day DEC review period.

Subdivision and Site Plan development projects that are reviewed by the Planning Board will incorporate stormwater and erosion control measures as part of the approved plan.

If you are a site operator and need more information, you can contact me for general information, or for specific information you can contact the Dutchess County Soil and Water Conservation District office at (845) 677-8011. Additional information is also available on the World Wide Web at:

<http://dutchess.ny.nacdn.net.org> or
the DEC's Stormwater Toolbox at <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dow/toolbox/toolbox.htm>

Thank you for your cooperation.

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