

**LYCOMING COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR:
REVIEW/SERVICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLANS, NATIONAL POLLUTANT
DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMITS, & EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL
PERMITS**

Applicant Section:

Responsible Party's Name: _____	Project Designer's Name: _____
Address: _____	Company Name: _____ Address: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____
Phone #: _____	Phone #: _____
Responsible Official: _____	Responsible Official: _____
Phone # (if different): _____	Phone # (if different): _____

Project Section:

Project Name: _____	Status: New <input type="checkbox"/> Revised <input type="checkbox"/>
Municipality: _____	Total Project Acres: _____
Location: _____	Disturbed Acres (life of project): _____
Receiving Stream(s): _____	Ch. 93 Delegation (Designated/Existing Use): _____
Project Description: _____	_____
Anticipated Start Date: _____	Anticipated Finish Date: _____

Erosion and Sediment Control Plan & National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Service Fee Schedule

- Small Project < 1ac.
Fee = \$400
- Multi-lot Residential Development
Fee = \$300 base fee + \$100.00/lot or unit.
- Single unit Residential and Commercial Development
Fee = \$350 base fee + \$125 per disturbed acre
- Linear Projects
Fee = \$375 base fee + \$135 per disturbed acre
- Solar Project
Fee = \$400 base fee + \$150 per disturbed acre
- **Please refer to Attachment "A" on pg. 2 for a detailed description of each category.**

Filing Fees: \$500.00 (General NPDES) \$1,500.00 (Individual NPDES) \$500.00 (E&S Control Permit)
(Check payable to Lycoming County Clean Water Fund)

E&S Control Plan Service Fee \$ _____ NPDES Standard \$100/Disturbed Acre Fee \$ _____
(Check payable to Lycoming County Conservation District) **(Check payable to Commonwealth of PA Clean Water Fund)**

Applicant Checklist for complete applications:

<input type="checkbox"/> Service Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> NPDES Permit Filing Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> NPDES Standard Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> E&S Control Permit Fee (For Timber Harvest Only)
<input type="checkbox"/> (2) E&S Control Plan and (2) Narrative for initial submission			
<input type="checkbox"/> NPDES Notice of Intent and Checklist (or Individual Application Form if applicable)			

Signature of Responsible Party: _____ Date: _____

NPDES Permitting Requirements

As per Chapter 102, a construction site with earthmoving activities involving more than one (1) acre of earth disturbance over the lifetime of the project will require a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit; part of this permitting process also requires the submission of an adequate E&S Control Plan.

ATTACHMENT "A"

Lycoming County Conservation District Fee Schedule All fees are effective 1/1/2026

Chapter 102 Erosion and Sediment (E&S) Control Plan Service Fee Schedule

Small Project (all projects with less than 1.0-acre of total earth disturbance)
(Any ESCGP qualifying project that is under the 5.0-acre permit threshold).

Fee = \$400.00

Multi-Lot Residential Development (a semi-confined residential community with greater than 1 lot). (A *unit is defined as a dwelling designed to accommodate a single household. This applies to single-family homes within a subdivision, twin unit semi-detached homes within a subdivision, apartment complexes, and townhouses/condominiums (i.e. a twin unit building that contains 2 households will have a fee based on 2 units)*).

Fee = \$300 base fee + \$100.00/Lot or Unit.

Single Unit Residential and Commercial Development (includes new single-family homes, additions, garages, sheds, barns, and soil waste areas and any educational, profitable, and/or non-profitable enterprise. Ex. Schools, Retail/Wholesale Businesses, Storage Units, Inventory Warehouses, etc.)

Fee = \$350.00 Base Fee + \$125.00/Disturbed Acre

Linear Projects (any federal, state, and/or locally commissioned project that is confined to a specific distance with a minimum of 5,000 sq. ft. of earth disturbance). Ex. Highways, Utility Lines, etc.

Fee = \$375.00 base fee + \$135 disturbed acres

Solar Projects (any project that is creating a solar based energy generation facility)

Fee = \$400.00 base fee + \$150 disturbed acres

Timber Harvests (any operation that is removing timber, but will not be removing stumps or grubbing the site for further development.)

Fee use **Small Project under 25ac** disturbance, **over 25ac** disturbance use **Single Unit Residential and Commercial Development** rate)

Notes:

- Disturbed acres should be rounded to the nearest whole number for fee calculations.
- For technical reviews beyond the 2nd review a fee of 25% of the original service fee will be required.
- For major permit amendments a fee of 50% of the E&S fee based on current fee schedule will be required.
- For minor permit amendments a fee of 25% E&S fee based on current fee schedule will be required.

SERVICE FEE SCHEDULE FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT (E&S) CONTROL PLANS

AUTHORITY

The Lycoming County Conservation District (LCCD) is under a delegation agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) to administer the Commonwealth's Erosion and Sediment (E&S) Control program under PA Code Title 25 Chapter 102 Rules and Regulations, and the PA Clean Streams Law. In addition, Conservation District Law (Act 217), permits Conservation Districts to charge fees for services, under certain circumstances.

APPLICABILITY

Service fees will apply to Erosion and Sediment (E&S) Control Plans submitted to LCCD requesting a technical review or determination of Plan adequacy. While an E&S Control Plan may be required for design, implementation, and maintenance under Chapter 102, a technical review prior to construction or land development may not always be mandated under certain circumstances. According to Chapter 102, these circumstances specifically include those projects which will not exceed one (1) acre of earth disturbance over the lifetime of the project. However, upon a complaint or site inspection, the LCCD (at its discretion) may require that the E&S Control Plan be submitted for review and approval. In addition, these circumstances are also primarily dependent upon an agreement between the Conservation District and the municipality in which the construction or land development project will be conducted. The agreement between these two parties is known as a Memorandum of Understanding (M.O.U.). The LCCD welcomes the opportunity to review E&S Control Plans since a technical review can often save the responsible individual(s) both time and money by revealing specific inadequacies associated with the proposed project site.

As per Chapter 102, a construction site with earthmoving activities involving more than one (1) acre of earth disturbance over the lifetime of the project is required to receive a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit; part of this permitting process requires the submission of an adequate E&S Control Plan. It is suggested that the applicant and/or consultant schedule a "formal pre-application meeting" prior to the submission of an NPDES Permit application package, this can save both time and potential additional costs during the review process. This "meeting" will essentially provide the applicant and/or consultant with both an explanation and overview of the number and types of permits required for the project. In addition, it will also provide an opportunity for the applicant and/or consultant to discuss the "Permit Review Process" timeframes and it will allow the LCCD to review and complete the pre-application conference checklist. Upon receiving the NPDES Permit application package, this "Permit Review Process" provides the LCCD with specific guidelines to perform both an administrative completeness review and a technical review.

An Individual NPDES Permit is needed when:

- The project is in a High Quality (HQ) or Exceptional Value (EV) special protection watershed.
- The construction activities discharge toxins.
- The construction activities will violate water quality standards.

- The construction activities are in areas inhabited by Federal or State Endangered Species.

A General NPDES Permit is needed in all other cases where the above-mentioned criteria have not been met or do not apply. State-mandated NPDES Permit filing fees are \$500 for a General NPDES Permit and \$1,500 for an Individual NPDES Permit. When an NPDES Permit is required, the applicant should include three checks with the submission of the E&S Control Plan: one to **Lycoming County Clean Water Fund** for the NPDES Permit filing fee, one to **Lycoming County Conservation District** for the service fee, and one to the **Commonwealth of PA Clean Water Fund** for the NPDES Standard \$100/disturbed acre fee.

Fees are listed in ATTACHMENT "A" on page 2. Fee schedules are given for Small Project, Non-Commercial, Residential Development, Commercial and Industrial Development, Linear Projects, and Timber Harvest activities.

Fees are based on disturbed acres, unless otherwise noted. Disturbed acres are those acres affected by excavation, land development, mineral extraction, filling, grading, or where the integrity and/or contour of the land have been changed.

A timber harvest involving 25 acres or more of earth disturbance requires an Erosion and Sediment (E&S) Control Permit. Disturbed acres on a timber harvest are those acres disturbed over the duration of the harvest. These include, but are not limited to, the following: haul roads, skid roads and trails, landing areas, and equipment stockpile areas. Disturbed acres are not the same as harvested acres.

Specified fees will cover the initial technical review "deficiency" of an administratively complete NPDES Permit package. Any additional reviews, if needed, shall be covered under the corresponding additional fee. Thus, subsequent "deficiency" reviews will be charged the corresponding fee (see Attachment "A" on page 2 for corresponding fees).

E&S fees will be waived for an application submitted under the name of a government sub-unit of the United States or the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*The term E&S Service fee is used to encompass all stages of the permit process: Pre-Application meetings, Review of plans, Pre-Construction meetings, Site inspections, Compliance, Notice of Termination (NOT), and any other involvement the District has in the project is reflected in this fee.