Stormwater: Permit Requirement Determination Flow Chart

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Program: Stormwater
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START

Will project place water or other waste material onto ground surface?

- **YES**: NO

- **NO**
  
  Will project place water, dye, wastes, or other material below the ground surface (examples: sinkhole, septic system, or well)?

  - **YES**
    
    Contact ES&H for permit need determination (90-day lead time is advisable.)

  - **NO**
    
    Will there be dredge or fill activities? Examples include a road or utility line crossing a stream or wetland, installation of monitoring equipment, or drainage channel repair.

    - **YES**
      
      With ES&H assistance, obtain appropriate permits (RWQCB WDR, JARPA, SWPPP NOI)

    - **NO**
      
      Will there be construction activity that disturbs the ground surface? Examples include ground clearing, excavation, grading, and landfill.

      - **YES**
        
        Conduct project in accordance with permit requirements.

      - **NO**
        
        Will the project otherwise alter the physical, chemical, biological, or radiological properties of surface water, groundwater, or wetland?

        - **YES**
          
          If no permit is required, project can proceed.

        - **NO**
          
          No water permit required