

## Chapter 26: [Stormwater](#)

# Quick Start Summary

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## 1 Who needs to know about these requirements

The requirements of Stormwater apply to workers, supervisors, field construction managers, project managers, area/building managers, subcontractors, ESH coordinators, the stormwater program manager, Facilities and Operations, and Radiation Protection. They cover authorizing discharges to the storm drainage system, handling unauthorized discharges, choosing and implementing best management practices, inspecting and maintaining the storm drainage system, and planning and permitting specific projects.

## 2 Why

Many SLAC operations, such as vehicle maintenance, landscaping, construction, hazardous materials and waste handling, and other outdoor activities, have the potential to release pollutants and sediment into storm drainage systems and local water bodies if not managed properly.

## 3 What do I need to know

SLAC's stormwater discharges are regulated under the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB)'s state-wide [industrial general permit \(IGP\)](#) and [construction general permit \(CGP\)](#) and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Program. Compliance includes development and implementation of SLAC's [Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan \(SWPPP\)](#), *best management practices (BMPs)*, and a monitoring program to control pollution sources. In addition to complying with the state-wide permits, certain activities at SLAC may require project-specific permits or plans.

Activities must be managed to prevent pollutants from entering the storm drainage system and impacting downstream waters. Only stormwater and certain approved *non-storm water discharges (NSWDs)* are permitted into the storm drainage system.

**Important** Remember: only rain in the drain!

## 4 When

These requirements take effect 19 April 2023.

## 5 Where do I find more information

[SLAC Environment, Safety, and Health Manual](#) (SLAC-I-720-0A29Z-001)

- [Chapter 26, "Stormwater"](#)

Or contact the [program manager](#).