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Pretreatment Program Enforcement Response Plan Update

By the beginning of 2011, the City of Tempe plans to have the Pretreatment Program Enforcement Response Plan updated and presented to the City Council for approval. Changes to be reflected in the update include the revision of Penalty Policy and changes to the pH Policy. Some highlights include:



A written NOV will be issued for a pH value of less than 5.0 S.U. and/or greater than 12.5 S.U. at any rate of discharge.

Increased enforcement for pH violations means that compliance is determined at the end of each quarter based on data of the previous six (6) months.

An AO with fine will be prepared and issued to the industrial user (IU) for any month in which there is a period of thirty-three percent (33%) or more of noncompliance within the monthly period.



Arizona Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) Posted for Public Comment

Draft documents for the Arizona Multi-Sector General Permit (Industrial Stormwater Permits for 2010) are posted at: http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/permits/msgp.html. Once ADEQ responds to public comments, the new Arizona MSGP will be issued and affected facilities will be required to obtain coverage.

AZPDES Pesticide General Permit

On June 2, 2010, EPA issued their draft NPDES Pesticide General Permit for public notice. The draft permit and related documents may be obtained at EPA Pesticide General Permit for Discharges from the Application of Pesticides. ADEQ is currently developing and will be issuing an AZPDES Pesticide General Permit for the application of pesticides to waters of the U.S. in Arizona (except those waters located in Indian Country) on or before April 9, 2011. The department is using EPA's draft permit as a model for discussion of Arizona's permit. As part of the permit development process, ADEQ has been holding a series of stakeholder meetings. The department encourages interested parties to participate in the permit development process.

To keep informed of permit development, please subscribe to ADEQ's Pesticide General Permit ListServ.

City of Tempe Stormwater Program Reminder:

It is a violation of the City of Tempe Code to cause or allow a non-stormwater discharge to a stormwater drain. For more information, please see Section 12-125(a) of the Tempe Stormwater Ordinance or Tempe's Stormwater Management Program at http://www.tempe.gov/stormwater/managementplan.htm

For information about stormwater or to report illicit discharges to storm drains call: City of Tempe, Environmental Services Division, 480-350-2811, anytime or go on-line: http://www.tempe.gov/stormwater/stormwatercomplaintform.htm

