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RE: Colorado State University's MS4 Program Description Modifications
CDPS Certification No. COR-070002

Dear Ms. Knerr:

This letter is in response to your December 1, 2009 letter providing review comments on Colorado State University's (CSU's) MS4 Stormwater Management Program Description submitted to your department June 2, 2008 for the permit period of March 2008 through March 2013. We have read and understood your comments, and we are providing edits to respond to your comments in the following paragraphs.

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (MCM 3)

Program Element 2 – Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination Plan:

The following sentence:

"The source of an illicit discharge is investigated and, within the limits of budgetary and physical constraints, the discharge is corrected".

Is changed to read:

"The source of an illicit discharge is investigated and corrected".

Construction Sites Runoff Control (MCM 4)

Program Element 1 – Contract/Regulatory Mechanism:

The "Introduction" is re-worded to read as follows:

Introduction:

Each of CSU's exterior construction projects is assigned to a CSU Project Manager (Facilities Management department). CSU Project Managers oversee construction projects in accordance with CSU-established contract documents and forms. Any construction project that disturbs more than one acre, or projects that disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger development will contain enforceable mechanisms that require the contractor to comply with the requirements of this program. CSU Project Managers receive training in CSU's MS4 program and stormwater quality management".

In addition, the following Measurable Goal is added to the end of Section MCM4:

"CSU's contracts generally contain code/regulatory enforcement provisions and/or liquidated damages that enable the project manager to enforce compliance with CSU's stormwater program. However, CSU personnel will review contract forms and purchase orders commonly used, and if enforcement provisions appear insufficient, we will modify contract language and purchase order conditions to provide enforcement provisions. This measurable goal will be completed by June 2011."

Program Element 4 – Procedures for Site Plan Review which Incorporate Consideration of Potential Water Quality Impacts:

The following sentences are added to the end of this element description:

"For projects of less than \$50,000, CSU Project Managers and Small Projects project managers are trained to evaluate the project disturbance area and, if greater than one acre or part of a larger development, required to contact the Stormwater Coordinator for a review of the project relative to stormwater quality management. CSU Project Managers and Small Projects project managers will receive periodic training to remind them of this process."

Post-Construction Stormwater Management (MCM 5)

Program Element 2 – Review and Approval Procedures:

The following sentences are added to the end of this element description

"For projects of less than \$50,000 that do not proceed through the review process described above, CSU Project Managers are trained to evaluate the project disturbance area and, if greater than one acre or part of a larger development, are required to contact the Stormwater Coordinator for a review of the project relative to permanent stormwater BMPs. CSU Project Managers and Small Projects project managers will receive periodic training to remind them of this process."

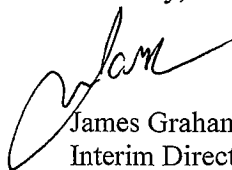
Program Element 4 – Review and Approval Procedures:

In order to make program elements 4 and 5 consistent, we are adding the following clause to the beginning of the element 4 program description:

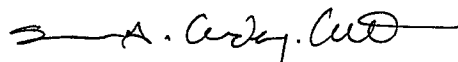
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We trust this meets your needs. If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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