# Wyoming County Conservation District Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Program Fee Schedule

# **Authority and applicability:**

- A. The Wyoming County Conservation District (District) is delegated, under *Chapter 102* of the *Pennsylvania Code* and the *Clean Streams Law*, the authority to administer the Erosion and Sediment Pollution Control Program in Wyoming County, on behalf of the Commonwealth.
- B. The District may charge fees for erosion and sediment pollution control plan reviews and all associated inspections for that permit as authorized by *Act 217*, *The Conservation District Law*.
- C. The review fees shall apply to all plans submitted to the District for approval except as noted below.

**Disturbed acres** are defined as an area where construction or other human activity has disturbed the surface of the land. These activities, as defined by *Chapter 102*, include, but are not limited to, clearing and grubbing, grading, embankments, land development, agricultural plowing or tilling, timber harvesting activities, road maintenance activities, mineral extraction, and the moving, depositing, stockpiling, or storing of soil, rock, or earth materials.

# **Fee Exemptions:**

The following are exempt from fees for plan reviews:

- A. Any state government entity unless otherwise negotiated by that entity and the District.
- B. Agricultural operations are conducted in accordance with a soil conservation plan.
- C. Timber harvesting and other forestry activities that do not require plan approval under *Chapter 102* exempt.

The Wyoming County Conservation District reserves the right to waive or modify the review fee upon approval by its board of directors.

#### **Fee Schedule:**

- A. Fees are based on the total number lots and total number of disturbed acres for the life of the project.
- B. Applications for plan reviews will not be accepted without the appropriate fees included.
- C. Small projects utilizing the Small Project Erosion and Sedimentation Control Manual will fall under the review fee applicable to that program. Only one check with the appropriate fee Made out to the "Wyoming County Conservation District" is needed.

- D. Plan review fees will not be waived for those projects that also require a NPDES or ESCP administrative filing fee. For projects that require three fees, the applicant is required to submit three separate checks. (The plan review fee check should be made out to the "Wyoming County Conservation District", the administrative filing fee check should be made payable to the "Wyoming County Conservation District Clean Water Fund", and the Disturbed Acreage Filing Fee should be made out to the "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Clean Water Fund.")
- E. All fees are non-refundable upon the District's initiation of the plan review.

# 1. Single Family Residence and Other Small Projects

Single Lot Residential / Small Project Flat Fee \$250.00

# 2. Administrative Filing Fee

NPDES General Permits	\$ 500.00
NPDES Individual Permits	\$1,500.00
Erosion and Sediment Control Permits	\$ 500.00

# 3. DEP General/Individual Disturbed Acreage Filing Fee

\$100.00 per each disturbed acre rounded to nearest full acre for all general and individual permits is required.

#### 4. Industrial/Commercial/Other Review Fee

(Townhouses, Apartments, and Trailer Park fees will be based on Industrial/Commercial Rates.)

Acres Disturbed	Review Fee
Less Than 1 acre	\$1,000.00
1 to 4.99	\$2,250.00
5 to 9.99	\$3,500.00
10 to 14.99	\$4,500.00
15 to 19.99	\$6,000.00
20 to 24.99	\$7,200.00
25+	\$7,200.00 + \$300.00 for each additional acre

#### 5. Timber Harvest Review Fee

Acres Disturbed	Review Fee
Less than 25 acres	\$250.00
25 to 49.99	\$500.00
50 to 250	\$750.00
250 +	\$750.00 + \$5.00 for each additional acre

# 6. E&S Fee Associated with a Chapter 105 Permit Review

GP Flat Fee \$250.00 Joint Permit E&S Review \$500.00

# Additional fees will be assessed under the following circumstances:

- A. If the permit application is administratively incomplete, the Conservation District will retain the administrative processing fee, and a new administrative filing fee will need to be submitted upon application resubmittal.
- B. The fee submitted will cover the initial review plus one review of submitted material in response to the first technical deficiency letter. Further reviews, if necessary, will be charged 50% of the original fee for each resubmission. In cases where revisions are necessary due to other government agency requirements, no additional fees will be charged. Fees will apply whether plans are submitted voluntarily or by state or municipal requirement for adequacy determination.
- C. Applications containing major technical errors or deficiencies will not be reviewed by the district. Rather, they will be returned with a request that the applicant take more care in the preparation of the application and a complete new set of fees will apply.
- D. Any project where the plan is no longer applicable due to changes in either the plan or site conditions will require the submittal of a new plan. The district will assess the appropriate review fee.
- E. If final site stabilization has not been completed within 90 days of the project completion or 1 year from the date of the plan approval, the District reserves the right to require the submittal of a new plan and assess the appropriate fee.
- F. If the Disturbed acreage increases during the review phase of any general or individual permits, a fee of \$100 per disturbed acres, corresponding to that increase in acreage, will be assessed for the Disturbed Acreage Filing Fee. As per state guidelines, no refunds will be made if the disturbed area is decreased during the review.

#### **PNDI Environmental Review Fee**

A charge of \$80.00 will be imposed by the District for the running of the PNDI Environmental Review. If any impacts are identified in the review, the applicant will be responsible for any further fees or clearance needed.

PNDI reviews can still be obtained free-of-charge for users without access to a computer using the standard process of requesting project review directly from the jurisdictional agencies—DCNR, PA Game Commission, PA Fish and Boat Commission and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service instead of generating a PNDI receipt instantly through the PA Conservation Explorer.

Alternatively, the consultant or applicant can create their own account and run this check through the PHMC website on their accord for the base fee of \$40.00.

# Submissions for E&S review:

- A. Electronic submission via Dropbox or email is the preferred method of the District. B. Any plans delivered after 3:00pm will be received and logged in the next business day.