

WQMPs shall include Best Management Practices for source control, pollution prevention, site design, and Low Impact Development implementation and structural treatment control Best Management Practices (where practicable).

Priority development projects shall infiltrate, harvest, and re-use, evapotranspire, or bio-treat the 85th percentile storm event as specified in NPDES No. CAS618030

All questions regarding WQMPs should be directed to the Public Works Department at
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Water Quality Management Plans (WQMP)

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Frequently Asked Questions Regarding WQMPs

What is the legal authority for the WQMP requirement?

In 2009, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (RWQCB) adopted Order No. R8-2009-0030. This Order is the NPDES Permit No. CAS618030 for municipal stormwater and urban runoff discharges within the County of Orange. The Permit requires the development and implementation of a program addressing stormwater pollution issues in development planning for private projects.

In compliance with the Permit, the Permittees have implemented a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) with the ultimate goal of accomplishing the requirements of the Permit and reducing the amount of pollutants in stormwater and urban runoff.

Does my project require a WQMP?

For Orange County municipalities, any project submitted to the City of Placentia for review and approval may be subject to the requirements of the Municipal NPDES permit. WQMP compliance is a requirement within the Permit. Development and Redevelopment projects submitted for review and approval will be screened during this process to determine if a WQMP is required.

Any “yes” answers in the table below indicates a “priority project.” If so, site design BMPs should be considered; and routine structural and non-structural source control BMPs, and treatment control BMPs must be implemented on-site.

Proposed Project Includes	Yes/No
All significant redevelopment projects where significant redevelopment is defined as projects that include the addition or replacement of 5,000 square feet or more of impervious surface on a developed site.	
New development projects that create 10,000 square feet or more of impervious surface.	
Automotive repair shops (SIC codes 5013, 5014, 5541, 7532-7534, 7536-7539)	
Restaurants where the land area of development is 5,000 square feet or more.	
All hillside developments on 5,000 square feet or more, which are located on areas with known erosive soil conditions.	
Developments of 2,500 square feet of impervious surface or more, adjacent to or discharging directly into Environmentally Sensitive Areas.	
Parking lots of 5,000 square feet or more.	
Streets, roads, highways, or freeways of 5,000 square feet or more.	
Retail gasoline outlets of 5,000 square feet or more.	

“Redevelopment” means land disturbing activity that results in the creation, addition, or replacement of 5,000 sf. or more of impervious surface areas on an already developed site.

How do I prepare a WQMP?

In response to permit requirements from the SARWQCB, the County of Orange has prepared a model WQMP to assist with project development in North and Central Orange County. Consistent with the 2011 Model WQMP, a Project WQMP may include:

- Site design measures
- Low Impact Development (LID) Best Management Practices (BMPs)
- Participation in sub regional/regional BMPs
- Hydromodification BMPs
- Use of alternative programs or treatment control BMPs, and
- Applicable source control BMPs

Is there a City fee for the WQMP Plan

Check? Yes, the City’s WQMP plan review fee is \$378.00 and must be paid at the time of the first submittal.

When do I submit my WQMP to the City of Placentia?

It is recommended that the WQMP be submitted at the same time as the grading plans.