

Definition “started construction” – Phase I (NPDES) Stormwater Management Permit



To implement the started construction requirement of Special Condition S5.C.5.a of the Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit, including clarification of the Ecology definition of “started construction”, the County Council, on April 7, 2021, approved Amended Ordinance No. 21-008 to define “started construction” in Snohomish County Code (SCC) 30.70.310 to mean either:

- (a) the site work associated with, and directly related to the approved project is at a stage where rough grading is complete or utilities are installed. For rough grading to be considered complete, elevations are within 1 foot of final design elevations; or
- (b) for public works projects performed under the authority of the director of public works or the county engineer which are subject to public bid laws, the project has been advertised per public bids laws, legislatively approved for construction, awarded to contractor, site work has begun, and the contractor has a schedule for completion.

