

WETLAND PERMITS

- For filling wetlands
- Consistent with Federal 404 permits



DNR Storm Water Permits

- Stormwater: Notice of Intent
 - Land disturbing activity greater than one acre
 - *NR216 & 151*
 - *Construction and post construction storm water practices.*



US Army Corps of Engineers

- **Involved with many projects in wetlands and waterways under Section 404 Clean Water Act**
- **New general permits being developed for transportation projects**

The New General Permit (GP) is coming soon

**STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**



**GENERAL PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT, RECONSTRUCT OR
MAINTAIN BRIDGES AND CULVERTS IN WATERS & WETLANDS OF THE STATE**

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| PERMITTEE: | Municipalities such as a city, town, village or county |
| PERMIT NO.: | MUNICIPAL HIGHWAY BRIDGES and CULVERTS-GP-2012-WI (MBGP-2012-WI) |
| ISSUING OFFICE: | Office of Business Support and Sustainability, Office of Energy and Environmental Analysis, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) |
| ISSUANCE DATE: | August 1, 2012 |
| EXPIRATION DATE: | July 31, 2017 |

GENERAL PERMIT AUTHORIZATIONS: In compliance with the provision(s) of Section 30.123, Wisconsin Statutes, municipalities are authorized to construct, reconstruct or maintain bridges and culverts and will comply with the terms and conditions of MBGP-2011-WI. Please refer to the following sections of this permit for the specific eligibility standards, notification requirements, certification requirements and responsibilities, definitions and conditions required by MBGP-2011-WI.

MBGP-2012-WI authorizations are provisional and require that project proponents obtain any other local, state or federal permits before any work is authorized. MUNICIPAL HIGHWAY BRIDGES / ARCHES / CULVERTS-GP-2012-WI (MBGP-2012-WI) authorizations are subject to all applicable terms and conditions specified in this permit.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION: MBGP-2012-WI applies to a discharge to waters of the State that is necessary for the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of a bridge or culvert that is

THE NEW GP

- Combines wetland and waterway permitting for transportation projects
- For projects with minimal impacts
- 30 day process
- Simple applications
- No fees

The New GP

- ❖ Tailored for local transportation projects
- ❖ Projects that don't meet GP require Individual Permits
 - ❖ Similar permit conditions
 - ❖ For more complex projects
 - ❖ Public notice required

NEW GP– Waterway aspects

- ❖ GP is for construction and maintenance of municipal highway bridges and culverts.
- ❖ Replaces TRANS 207 review process.
- ❖ Requires quality designs and use of good construction practices

NEW GP– Wetland aspects

- Covers Wetland fill for bridge and for road
- Acreage of fill less than 10,0000 sq. ft.
- Consistent with Federal GP
- Avoid and minimize wetland impacts

Some Key Provisions

- Bridges and Culverts > 36" need professional engineer or County Hwy Commissioner review and sign-off
- GP is not for lake outlets
- GP is not for new roads or stream crossings at new locations

GP timeline

- Draft issued August for comments
- DNR worked closely with Towns Assn., County Highways Assn., and League of Municipalities
- Final GP in use by November 1