The State of West Virginia, Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water and Waste Management is proposing to reissue the West Virginia National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Water Pollution Control Permit for Stormwater Associated with Construction Activities. The General Permit will authorize discharges to surface waters of the state for land disturbance operations during development of residential, commercial or industrial sites. It is proposed that this General Permit be issued for a five (5) year term.

The Director of the Division of Water and Waste Management retains authority to require any owner/operator to apply for and obtain an individual WV/NPDES Permit. This authority will be exercised when the Director determines that such individual permit will better protect the receiving water.

The Draft Permit and Fact Sheet may be inspected by appointment between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water and Waste Management, Public Information Office, 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV  25304. Copies of the documents may be obtained from the Division at a nominal cost.

Hearing impaired individuals having access to a Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) may contact our agency by calling (304) 926-0489. Calls must be made between 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A public hearing has been scheduled to take additional comments on the Draft General Permit. The hearing has been scheduled from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm on October 9th 2018, at the Coopers Rock Training Room, WV DEP Headquarters, 601 57th Street SE, Charleston, WV  25304. Any person may submit oral or written statements concerning the Draft General Permit; however, reasonable limits may be set upon the time allowed for oral statements.

Any interested persons may submit written comments on the Draft Permit. Comments will be accepted until October 19, 2018. They should be addressed to:

Director
Division of Water and Waste Management
601 57th Street SE
All comments received within this period will be considered prior to acting on the Draft Permit. Correspondence should include the name, address, and telephone number of the writer and a concise statement of the nature of the issues being raised. The Director may hold a public hearing whenever a finding is made, based on requests, that there is a significant degree of public interest on issues relevant to the draft General Permit.

Interested persons may contact Jon Michael Bosley (Jon.M.Bosley@wv.gov / 304.926.0499 ext 1059) to obtain further information.