

Congrats on your project! But remember. . . Dirt Can Hurt, Keep it in Place!

- Dirt and other pollutants from construction sites can wash into creeks and harm fish and insects by smothering their eggs and gills, preventing them from finding food.
- Construction projects can pollute our waterways, so please *do your part* to prevent pollutants, including sediment, from leaving your property!
- State and Local Clean Water Laws require you to minimize dirt and any other materials or pollutants from running off construction sites.



If you will disturb the ground, you will need to prevent dirt from leaving your property! All projects must have minimum control measures to protect water quality.



An **Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP)** may be required for building or grading permits.

An ESCP outlines the actions you will take to keep dirt from leaving your site. Factors like amount of open soil, time of year (rainy vs. dry), hill slope, and proximity to the creek all affect the chance of sediment pollution. For projects with more risk of pollution, more erosion and sediment protections are required.



For details on requirements, minimum control measures for all projects, and templates for ESCPs, visit the MCSTOPPP Construction website: <u>http://www.marincounty.org/depts/pw/divisions/mcstoppp/development/</u> during-construction