Does your construction activity disturb one or more acres of land? If so, you may have to get Clean Water Act (CWA) permit coverage for discharges of stormwater runoff from your construction site. Stormwater general permits are issued through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program or the state NPDES permitting authority. To obtain permit coverage, you will need to consider:

- Submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI) or permit application as required by your permitting authority. The NOI requires you to certify that you will not harm federally-listed endangered species.
- Developing and implementing a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) that describes the physical characteristics of the site, lists potential sources of pollutants, and identifies erosion prevention, sediment control, and stormwater management practices that you will implement at the site.
- Submitting a Notice of Termination (NOT), if required by your permitting authority, when you complete your construction activities or when someone else assumes control of the site.