

DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Listserve Update: April 2019

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1. **Blue Card Course Dates for 2019**

The Contractor's Certification Course, also known as the "Blue Card Course", is a ½-day course that gives an overview of the Sediment and Stormwater Program, its regulations, and required erosion and sediment control measures in the State of Delaware. Under the Delaware Sediment & Stormwater Regulations, at least one person in responsible charge of a construction site must have successfully completed the Contractor's Certification Course. The remaining Blue Card Course dates for 2019 are **May 23, September 5** and **December 12**. Registration forms will be made available as course dates approach. Additional information can be found on the Sediment & Stormwater Program website at the following link:

<http://www.dnrec.delaware.gov/swc/Drainage/Pages/BlueCard.aspx>

2. **CCR Recertification**

CCR Recertification is for those CCRs whose certification has expired or will expire in the current year and would like to continue their certification. This one-day course highlights any changes in the Sediment and Stormwater Program and Regulations, along with newer approaches to stormwater management. The CCR Recertification course is a one-day class held in the fall of the year. The 2019 CCR Recertification course will be held on **Thursday, October 17, 2019**. Eligible individuals will be notified by DNREC's Division of Watershed Stewardship with a registration packet in the late summer. Eligible individuals must register for the course. CCR certification for individuals whose certification expires in early 2019 will be extended until the date of the recertification course offering.

If your address has changed please email joanne.gedney@delaware.gov so information can be updated.

3. **2019 Regulations Highlight – Third Party CCR**

The 2019 Regulations include in subsection 6.1.5 a provision for the use of third party CCRs when directed by the Department or Delegated Agency. The regulations define a third party CCR as any individual CCR that is not an employee of the owner or a contractor of the construction activity, excluding the site designer.

In the transition period of implementation of the 2019 Regulations, the Department established the following transitional guidance for the use of third party CCRs:

- For projects that have not held a pre-construction meeting nor begun construction prior to February 11, 2019, when a CCR is required by the Department or Delegated Agency, that CCR must be a third party CCR.
- For projects that held a pre-construction meeting and began construction prior to February 11, 2019, CCRs active on those projects may remain with the project throughout construction unless the plan approval agency notifies the project owner that a third party CCR is required. At any time that the CCR is replaced on an active project, the new CCR must be a third party CCR.

4. DURMM v2.5 – UPDATE to v2.50.190408

The Delaware Urban Runoff Management Model (DURMM) has been updated to version 2.50.190408. The latest version corrects an error in calculating the annual runoff reduction credit for Full Rooftop Disconnection. The previous version resulted in a “zero runoff” condition rather than equivalent open space condition for full compliance as intended under the 2019 Delaware Sediment & Stormwater Regulations. Since the credit is dependent on the Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG), the user must now select Full Rooftop Disconnection for the appropriate HSG from the BMP drop down menu on the RPv Sheet.

DURMM v2.50.190408 is available for download from the [Sediment & Stormwater Program](#) Web site under the “Engineering Resources” header. Hovering over the download link will show the version number for verification purposes.

5. Link of the Month: Chesapeake Tree Canopy Network

The Chesapeake Tree Canopy Network is an online resource hub and community of practice created to support the Tree Canopy Outcome and Strategy adopted in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement. The Network is a collaboration of the Chesapeake Bay Program Forestry Workgroup, the US Forest Service, and the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay. The website highlights local counties and cities within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed with active tree canopy initiatives, including several in Delaware. Clicking on the interactive map provides additional information on those initiatives as well as contact information. The ChesapeakeTrees.net website is available at the following link:

<http://chesapeaketrees.net/>