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BULLETIN

SUBJECT: Temporary Storm Water Management
TO: Howard County Developers, Builders and Consultants
FROM: Howard Soil Conservation District (Howard SCD) *GWS*
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After receiving comments regarding the current review for temporary stormwater management (TSWM) during construction, the Howard SCD has considered the new state and county regulations which lowered the permanent 2-yr. quantity control of the 24 hr. storm event to 1-yr. quantity control, the basis upon which channel protection storage volume (C_{p_v}) is now computed. In order to provide continuity with state and county methods, the Howard SCD has agreed to lower the TSWM requirement to maintenance of the 1-yr. runoff during site grading to pre-disturbance conditions. All other TSWM policy items described in past newsletters continue to apply.

Note that, as in the past, the Howard SCD reserves the right to require additional storm water management for less frequent (higher runoff) storms in situations where warranted, such as those described within the 2/13/01 DPZ Bulletin, or where threat to downstream properties is perceived by the District. As a conservative measure, we recommend the development community look downstream and assume the additional measures as necessary unless there is no threat. For the little extra volume needed for larger storms it is often worth the small effort to upgrade the design to appease any possible allegations or delays of construction.