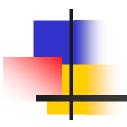
# Surviving the draft 2012 Industrial General Stormwater Discharge Permit: An Overview



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- **Risk-Based: NAL Exceedance Frequency** 
  - Baseline
  - Level 1
  - Level 2
    - Performance Standard for Treatment BMPs
    - Demonstration Reports: BAT/BCT; Non- Industrial; Background
  - Exceedance Response Action (ERA) Report
- Online Reporting via SMARTs: "Real-time"
  - **PRDs**
  - NOI
  - **SWPPP**
  - **Results & Reports**
- **Mandatory Minimum BMPs**
- **Increased Monitoring & Reporting** 
  - Year-round quarterly sampling of all "drainage areas"
  - Online reporting of analytical results w/in 30 days
  - Pre-storm BMP inspections (14 days)
  - ACSCE
  - **Annual Report**
- **QISPs**
- **Compliance Groups**
- "Strict Compliance"

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#### BAT/ BCT and WQS Compliance Demonstration: No Clear Path

- BAT/ BCT:
  - Technology-based
  - Sector Specific
  - Point of Compliance: At the point of Discharge
  - EPA MSP Benchmarks
- Water Quality Standard (WQS):
  - Water Quality Criteria : CTR
  - Point of Compliance: Discharge to the Receiving Water
    - July 2011 Federal 9<sup>th</sup> District Appeals Court Ruling: "Discharge to MS4 that exceeds WQBNELs is not a violation of the Clean Water Act"
- Effluent Limitation Guidelines (ELGs)/New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)
  - New source performance standards (NSPS) represent the best available demonstrated control technology standards. The intent of NSPS guidelines is to set limitations that represent state-of-the-art treatment technology for new sources
  - Part 455: Land fills
    - Zinc: ELGs = .535 mg/l; NSPS=.20 mg/l
    - TSS: 88 mg/l (ELGs/NSPS) vs. 100 mg/l (NALs)



- Compliance Groups (i.e. Monitoring Groups)
  - Baseline/Level 1
  - Level 2: Staff's "Goal": 1 per sector
- Sector Discharger Establish BAT/BCT
  - BMP Performance across varying site/operational conditions
  - Relies/applies sector specific expertise
  - Defendable



### Water Quality Compliance Strategies For Municipalities & Landfills

- Sector Specific IGP for Landfills, MS4s
- Construction General Permit more appropriate for Landfill operations?
- Facility- Specific Water Quality Permitting: Consolidate WDRs/NPDES into single, comprehensive permit
- Regional/Watershed Approach: Consolidates MS4 stormwater/waste water permitting obligations