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Guidance: NCDOT Projects
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Background Information:

Many times an existing DOT road will be widened by the developer to accommodate a right turn lane and a center left turn lane, or similar, for a project. The widening project alone required a Stormwater permit, but the NCDOT would not sign off on the Linear Road supplement because they were not constructing the project.

Guidance:

New guidance or clarification
Revision to old guidance

1. For low density projects where an existing public road is being widened by the developer for turn lanes, the right-of-way area and the turn lane pavement area should be included as part of the overall site area and built-upon area of the developer's project.
2. For high density projects where an existing public road is being widened by the developer for turn lanes, the right-of-way area and the turn lane pavement area should be included in sizing the development's BMP if practicable. Note that the rules require any offsite area draining to the BMP to be accounted for in the design.

Basis for Guidance:

See above.

Schedule of Immediate Actions:

- a) Chapter 2 of the BMP Manual will be revised at the next scheduled revision time to include the elements of this revised guidance.
- b) Within 60 days of signatures, DWQ permitting programs will incorporate the revised guidance in permit application reviews.
- c) Within 7 days of signatures, DWQ will disseminate the revised guidance internally and to the regulated community.