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I have reviewed the information provided, and the original guidance that I sent you still stands.

1) There needs to be an erosion and sediment control plan as the total (not new) disturbance will be greater than 1 acre.

2) Similarly, the permit does speak to “new” construction needing to exceed 1 acre. In this case it appears that shaping, grading and changing the surface to impervious of the existing parking would all constitute new construction and not a simple “in-kind” repair or replacement. Plus there is the additional new areas to be included into the parking plan. So there also should be a stormwater management plan that addresses the post construction runoff that will occur.

If there are further questions, please let me know.

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Original Guidance

Here are some things to consider when reviewing a construction project .

There are construction requirements that must be followed by all owners/developers of projects greater than 1 Acre in size, regardless of where it is in NY. They are required to develop a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) that addresses both construction stabilization (erosion and sediment control) and post construction stormwater control. The developer must also obtain permit coverage from the NYS DEC for such activities.

The NYSDEC has design documents that the SWPPP should be in compliance with. First, is the NY Standards and Specifications for Erosion and Sediment Control (aka the Blue Book). There are numerous practices that can be selected to control runoff during construction activities. Second is the Stormwater Management Design Manual. This is for the post construction stormwater control. This document also has various options intended to control runoff, absorb pollutants, infiltrate water back into the soil, and minimize off-site and downstream impacts. Both of these documents can be found on the NYSDEC website in the Stormwater Toolbox.

I have also included some reference information for the Town to consider regarding construction as well as commercial businesses and stormwater impacts.

I hope that these help. If there are any other questions please let me know.