Instructions for Minor Project and General Permit Applications

Easy to use instructions for completing a Joint Permit Application for small construction projects within lakes, wetlands, floodplains, rivers, and the Great Lakes

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Water Resources Division
Michigan Department of Environmental Quality
Joint Permit Applications

Joint Permits are required for many small construction projects that occur within lakes, streams, rivers, floodplains, and the Great Lakes from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Water Resources Division.

The EZ Guides provide guidance on how to meet Minor Project and General Permit criteria, provide examples of drawings and photos to include with your application, and indicate what sections to complete in the application form.

EZ Guide Projects:

- Lakefront Bioengineering
- Riprap Erosion Protection
- Docks
- Fill for Swim Areas
- Boardwalks and Platforms
- Maintenance Dredging
- New Dredging
- Driveways Crossing Wetland
- Small Culverts in Streams
- Dry Fire Hydrant
- Seawall Replacement
- Mooring Buoy
- Utility Activities
- Residential Fences
- Ponds in Upland
- Ponds in Wetland
- Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting

Getting Started

Using the EZ Guides, you can complete the application form with your computer. Once completed, it should be mailed to your local MDEQ District Office.

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