Notice to applicants regarding a New Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit Application issued by the Drain Commissioner for the MDEQ

Effective January 2, 2009 the Drain Commissioner's office will employ a new permit application. Please review the newly required items listed below and make sure that you fully understand the items that will be required. If we do not receive the required information, your application could be returned to you unprocessed. A permit will not be issued until all of the required items are submitted and the application signed.

- Required drawings and mapping to be submitted.
- Project type- be specific.
- Large site requirements.
- SESC Plan-to accompany the application. Be detailed, your permit will allow only the work you specify.
- Are you ready to post a performance bond, if required?
- Landowners Affidavit-see the web page(<u>www.berriencounty.org</u>) for approved form
- Please allow up to 30-days from time of approval to mailing of permit.

One of the most noteworthy items now will not allow a contractor or any other person, to apply for a SESC permit without the landowners signature or his/her written permission (affidavit) authorizing an agent in his/her stead. Only the landowner/agent, the listed contractor and Federal, State and local officials will be allowed to make inquiries concerning permit requirements without a FOIA request.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please call the Drain Commissioners office at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your co-operation,

Enclosure-New Permit Application Form