

### JANUARY 2017 - U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REISSUES NATIONWIDE PERMITS

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has published a final rule for the reissuance of existing nationwide permits (NWP) with some minor modifications and issuance of two new NWPs. NWPs authorize work in streams, wetlands and other waters of the U.S. under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The new and reissued NWPs will become effective on March 19, 2017, replacing the existing NWPs which expire on March 18, 2017.

The new NWPs include the following:

- NWP 53 – Removal of Low-Head Dams: Authorizes the removal of low-head dams for stream restoration and public safety.
- NWP 54 – Living Shorelines: Authorizes construction and maintenance of living shorelines for erosion control.

Activities previously authorized under NWPs that have commenced or are under contract to commence by March 18, 2017, will have one year to be completed under the terms and conditions of the existing permit(s). Activities that have not commenced or are not under contract to commence by March 18, 2017, will require reauthorization under the 2017 NWPs, provided those activities still comply with the terms and conditions to qualify for authorization under the 2017 NWPs.

Further information about the final rule can be found by clicking [HERE](#).

To discuss this rule and how it could impact your project, please contact your Langan Project Manager or:

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