



# ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

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## Expiration of Nationwide Permits

Set to expire on or about March 18, 2012



**ARE YOU AWARE THAT ALL Nationwide Permits (NP's) issued by the Army Corps of Engineers are set to expire on or around March 18, 2012?** The expiration of all NP's occurs every five (5) years so that the Army Corps can re-evaluate and revise their allowable minor impacts (Nationwide Permits), permit language, and permit regional conditions.

- ⦿ **DO YOU CURRENTLY HAVE** a valid Nationwide Permit for impacts proposed on a property?
- ⦿ **IF YOU HAVE BEGUN THE WORK** involved with the impacts, or if you have the impacts under contract, signed by March 18, 2012, then **you will have 12 months to conduct the work.** (In other words, you will be "grandfathered" out of the immediate expiration of Nationwide Permits and you will have until March 18, 2013 to conduct the permitted activities).
- ⦿ **IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE PERMITTED ACTIVITY BEGUN** or under contract to be conducted by March 18, 2012, your permit will be considered expired by the Army Corps and we will have to re-apply for a new permit.
- ⦿ **THUS, IF YOU ARE ABLE TO GET THE WORK TO BE CONDUCTED UNDER CONTRACT**, please make sure that you have some sort of written proof in your files that you have a contract (that is dated prior to March 18, 2012) in case the Army Corps follows up with you or your wetlands consultant.
- ⦿ **IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN A CONTRACT** by March, 18 2012, we can discuss with you your options of re-applying for your permit after the new Nationwide Permits are revised and released.
- ⦿ This does not affect the validity of your state permit from DNREC, if you have one.

Please feel free to contact **Amy Nazdrowicz, LandmarkJCM's Environmental Scientist**, with any questions or concerns you may have and she will be happy to assist.