

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF RECLAMATION

POLICY/PROCEDURE DIRECTIVE

Engineering 88-1

Subject: Excess Spoil Disposal
Effective: April 11, 1988
Purpose: To establish policy for the submission of certified quarterly and critical construction phase reports.

The purpose of this Directive is to clarify some of the questions that have been raised concerning the current excess spoil disposal Rule 1501:13-9-07 that became effective January 15, 1987. It replaced the Class I and Class II fill designation. The new rule requires periodic construction inspection reports that are detailed in 1501:13-9-07(J). Certified construction reports must be submitted for all fills currently under construction as well as all future fills.

We recognize that numerous fills were in various stages of construction when this Rule was adopted and some operators were not aware of the additional reporting requirements. All fills that were completed prior to the issuance of the Directive need only submit final certification. Surface water channels and revegetation must be completed before a fill can be regarded as complete and ready for final certification.

All operators who are currently constructing fills must submit construction reports to the District within seven days following the completion of each critical construction phase specified in 1501:13-9-07(J). Quarterly construction reports must be submitted within seven days of the end of each calendar quarter. If a critical construction phase is completed in the last week of a quarter the critical construction report may be combined with the quarterly report. Construction reports are required until the final certification is approved. If construction reports were prepared for the year 1987, but not submitted, they may be submitted at this time. If these construction reports are not available, briefly describe the construction activity that has been completed thus far, the problems encountered and any deviations from the approved design in the first report submitted this year. The current construction activity should be detailed in each construction report.

The plans for approved Class I and Class II fills permitted under the former Rules substantially meet the current design requirements, so design modifications are unnecessary. Those fills may be built, but the construction inspection reports will be required for them to comply with the current Rules. Photographs of the underdrains are required for the construction report that follows underdrain installation.

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NOTE: Due to the late approval date of this memo, quarterly construction reports for the first calendar quarter ending March 31, 1988 will be due May 2, 1988.