

Office of Water U.S. EPA









Electronic Stormwater Permit

- EPA developed the electronic stormwater permit system to meet the objectives of the President's eGov initiative.
- New stormwater regulations now affect smaller construction sites (1-5 acres) and, consequently, smaller businesses.







Electronic Stormwater Permit

- Construction companies need a fast and easy way to obtain permit coverage.
- Electronic system saves time and money.
- The new system is
 - Faster
 - Easier
 - More accurate











- EPA's NPDES regulations cover stormwater discharges from a wide variety of sources, including construction sites that disturb 1 acre or more of land.
- Construction sites must
 - Obtain permit coverage (using a form called a "Notice of Intent" or NOI)
 - Plan and implement sediment and erosion controls
 - Terminate permit coverage at the conclusion of construction

President's eGov Initiative

- The President announced his eGov initiative in the February 2002 budget submission to Congress.
- The electronic Notice of Intent or system cuts red tape, saves time and money, and helps businesses protect the environment.

 "Our success depends on ...

focusing on citizens...."
President George W. Bush







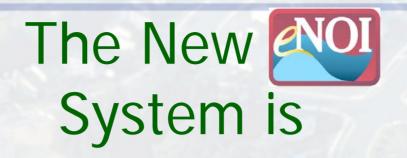
Electronic Notice of Intent System

- The new electronic stormwater Notice of Intent system or
 - Replaces an entire set of paper forms
 - Places important reference documents at the user's fingertips
 - Provides clear, easy-to-understand instructions

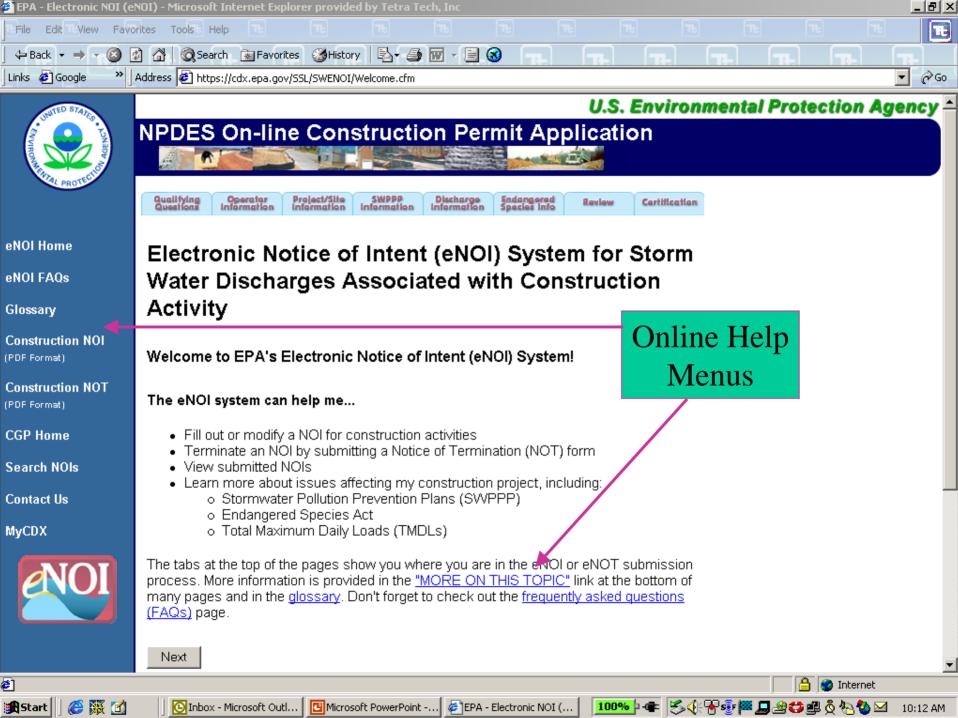


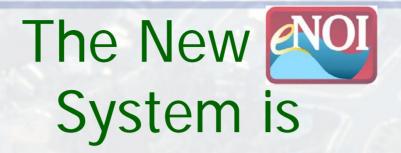






- Easier
 - s online forms contain
 - Detailed instructions
 - Help menus
 - Links to important reference documents
 - helps construction companies learn about requirements and how they can protect the local environment costeffectively.







Faster

- Businesses don't want to wait.
- can cut two weeks or more from the time it takes to process a paper form.
- saves business time and money.
- is hosted by EPA's Central Data
 Exchange to speed and ease registration.







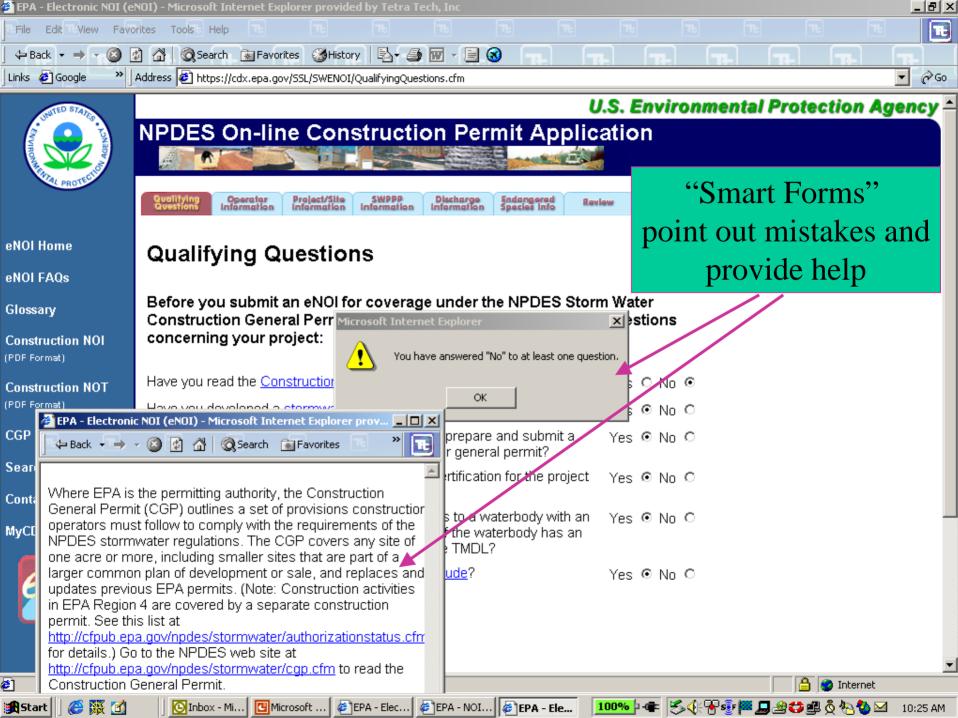


- More Accurate
 - "s "smart forms" help businesses avoid common mistakes.
 - The forms guide users through the process and ensure that applications are complete and the right information is in the right place.
 - Mistakes on paper forms cause additional delays.









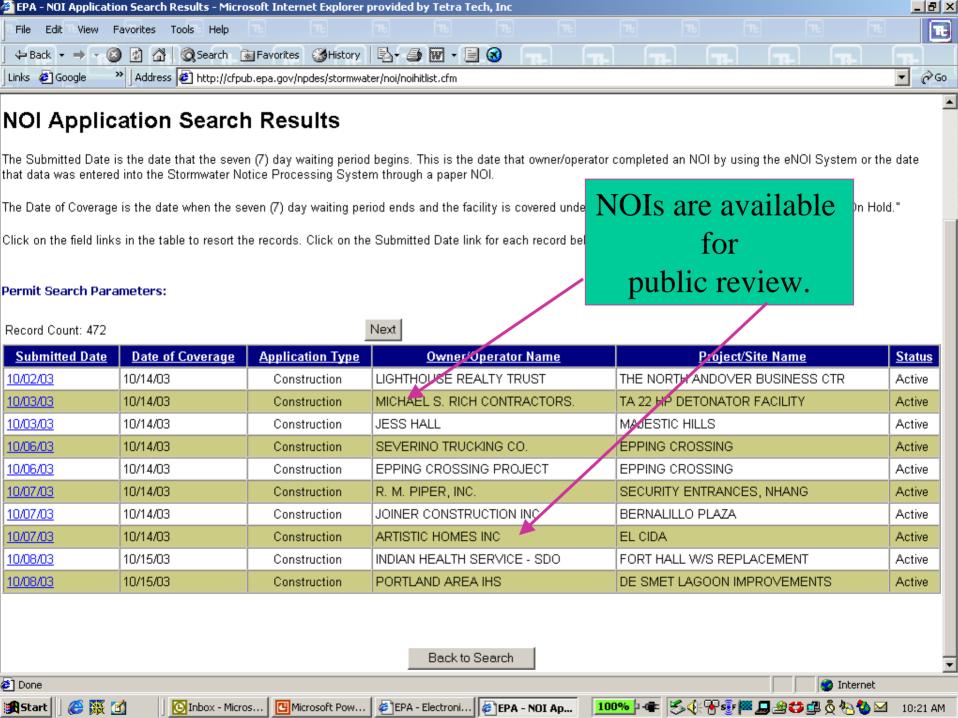


- Public Notification
 - Citizens have a right to know about actions that might affect them.
 - Public notification was impossible with paper records.
 - system posts all applications on an easily searchable public web site (www.epa.gov/npdes/noisearch).











EPA's new electronic stormwater application system

- Saves businesses time and money
- Makes getting stormwater permit coverage easier
- Provides citizens with important information





