

Shallow Stormwater P	its SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT (SWMS)	
TASK	OR ACTIVITY: Shallow Stormwat	er Pits	
Business Name: [Company Name]		ABN: [ABN]	SWMS#
Business Address: [Company Address]			
Contact Person:	Phone: [Phone]	E jil:	
THIS SAFE WORK METHOD	STATEMENT IS APPROVED BY	THE PL J OF THE PROJECT	
Under the Work Health and Safety Regulation (WHS Regulation), a person conduct the proposed work starts.	eting a business or undertaking (N 3U) is	required to ture at a safe work method s	tatement (SWMS) is prepared before
Full Name:			
Signature:		Title:	Date:
Details of the person(s) responsible for ensuring implementation, monitoring a	ompliance of the SWMS well as review	s and modifications of the SWMS.	
Full Name:		Title:	Phone:
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Safety meetings or toolbox talks will be sched ed in accordance with egislative requirements to first identify any site hazards, conditions those hazards and then to further take steps to either the conditions of the conditions are or conditionally as a condition of the conditions are or conditionally as a condition of the conditions are conditionally as a condition of the condition of the condition of the conditions are conditionally as a condition of the cond	NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
If an incident or a near miss occurs, all work must standardly. Depending on the severity of the incident, a meeting will be called with all workers to amend the SWMS if required. The meeting may also be an educational opportunity.			
Any changes made to the SWMS after an incident or a near miss must be approved by the Person Conducting Business or Undertaking and communicated to all relevant personnel.			
The SWMS must be kept and be available for inspection at least until the work is completed. Where a SWMS is revised, all versions should be kept. If a notifiable incident occurs in relation to which the SWMS relates, then the SWMS must be kept for at least two years from the occurrence of the notifiable incident.			



	CLIENT OR PRINCIPAL CONTRACTOR DETAILS										
Client:						SCOPE OF WORKS					
Project Name:					Provide a detailed description of the specific work being carried out (otherwise						
Project Address:					known as cope of works).						
Project Manager:											
Contact Phone:											
Project Manager Sig	nature:										
Date SWMS supplie	d to Project Manager:										
		ANY HIGH-	RISK CON PUCT	N' JRK BEING	CARRIED OUT						
☐ involves a risk of a pe	erson falling more than 2 m	neters.		is carried out on or near pressurised gas mains or piping.							
is carried out on a tel	ecommunication tower.	`	M + M	is carried out on	or near chemical, fuel or refrig	erant lines.					
☐ involves demolition o	f an element of a structure	that is load-be n.		is carried out on or near energised electrical installations or services.							
☐ involves demolition o	f an element related to the	physical integrit of a str	3.	is carried out in an area that may have a contaminated or flammable atmosphere.							
☐ involves, or is likely to	o involve, disturbing a	tos.		involves tilt-up or precast concrete.							
involves structural alt	eration or repair that re	upp to p	prevent collapse.	is carried out on, in or adjacent to a road, railway, shipping lane or other traffic corridor.							
is carried out in or ne	ar a confined space.			is carried out in an area of a workplace where there is any movement of powered mobile plant.							
is carried out in/near	a shaft or trench deeper th	nan 1.5m or tunnel involvin	g use of explosives.	is carried out in a	areas with artificial extremes of	temperature.					
is carried out in or ne	ar water or other liquid tha	t involves a risk of drowning	ng.	☐ involves diving w	vork.						
		ANY HI	IGH-RISK MACHINER	RY OR EQUIPMEN	IT NEARBY						
Forklift	☐ Crane/s	☐ Hoist/s	☐ Excavator	☐ Backhoe/Loader	☐ Boom Lift	☐ EWP	☐ Genie Lift				
☐ Trencher	☐ Drilling Rig	☐ Trucks	Formwork	☐ Bobcat	☐ Flammable Gas	☐ Fuel	☐ Dozer				
☐ High Voltage	☐ Mulcher	☐ Tilt-up Panels	Roller	☐ Scissor Lift	☐ Tractor	Other -					





PERL NAL TECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

FOOT PROTECTION	HAND PROTECTION	HEAD PROTECTION	HEARING PPOTECTION	PROTE	SPIRATORY P STECTION	FACE PROTECTION	HIGH-VIS CLOTHING	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING	FALL PROTECTION	SUN PROTECTION	HAIR/JEWELLERY SECURED
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Select me appropriate PPE above suitable for the equipment used or the job task being performed (if applicable).

Note: A SWMS must be reviewed regularly to make sure it remains effective. A SWMS must be reviewed (and revised if necessary) if relevant control measures are revised. The review process should be carried out in consultation with workers (including contractors and subcontractors) who may be affected by the operation of the SWMS and their health and safety representatives who represented that work group at the workplace.

When a SWMS has been revised, the person conducting a business or undertaking must ensure all:

- 1. persons involved in the work are advised that a revision has been made and how they can access the revised SWMS;
- 2. persons who will need to change a work procedure or system as a result of the review are advised of the changes in a way that will enable them to implement their duties consistently with the revised SWMS: and.
- 3. workers that will be involved in the work are provided with the relevant information and instruction that will assist them to understand and implement the revised SWMS.



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SPECIFIC WORK STEPS	HAZARDS THAT MAY ARISE	INITIAL RISK	SPECIFIC MEASURES TO BE PUT IN PLACE TO ELIMINATE OR CONTROL THE RISKS	RESIDUAL RISK	NAME OF PERSON
1. Preparation	Slips, trips, and falls, Manual handling injuries	2M	 Implement a pre-work inspection to identify potential slip, trip, and fall hazards around the stormwater pits, and take corrective action as necessary (e.g., removing obstacles, repairing damaged surfaces). Ensure that workers wear appropriate per total protective equipment (PPE), such as non-slip footwear, gloves, and safety gogo as, to minuse the risk of injury while handling tools and equipment. Train workers on proper lifting techniques and conomic practices to avoid manual handling injuries while moving eavy objects or materials drong stormwater pit cleanouts. Set up temporar parrier or sign to around the stormwater pit area to warn pedestrians or other work is and prevent accental slips, trips, and falls. Use rechange lifting and, such as to the sor or hand trucks, to transport heavy material and recover risk of manual handling injuries. Schedult regular to aks for workers to prevent fatigue-related accidents and provide in a portunit for them to rest and recover from the physical demands of pit cleanou. The public problem of them to rest and recover from the physical demands of pit cleanou. The public problem of them to rest and recover from the physical demands or or cerns they may have during stormwater pit cleanout tasks. Maintain all tools and equipment in good working order, and regularly inspect them for any signs of wear or damage that could contribute to accidents. Provide adequate lighting and ventilation around the stormwater pit area to improve visibility and air quality for workers, reducing the likelihood of accidents and injuries. When possible, designate specific pathway areas for pedestrians and workers to minimise movement-related hazards while navigating around the stormwater pit work site. 	1L	
2. Isolate Area	Incomplete isolation, Unauthorised access	3Н	 Install appropriate temporary barricades, such as safety cones, warning tape or physical barriers, to clearly indicate the isolated area and deter unauthorised individuals from entering. Display clear and visible signage at all entry points of the isolated area, informing personnel of potential hazards and advising against unauthorised entry. Ensure all necessary permits are obtained before commencing work in the isolation area, and display them in a prominent location for reference by staff and visitors. Lockout and tag-out any utilities associated with the stormwater pit cleanout (e.g., pumps, electrical systems), in accordance to the company's lockout/tag-out policy. 	2M	



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			 Conduct regular toolbox talks or safety briefings with the work crew to reinforce awareness of the hazards associated with incomplete isolation and unauthorised access, emphasising the importance of adhering to ablished protocols. 		
			- Appoint a designated safety officer or site sure usor to monitor the isolated area throughout the project duration, ensuring the protocols and control measures are being followed.		
		e: ac - vi	- Utilise a sign-in/sign-out procedure to track a good personnel entering and exiting the isolated area, helping prevent unauth good access of maintain better accountability. - Provide adequate and all promitive equipment (Pour for workers, such as high-visibility vests, bodies, and work lots, to minimine the risk of injuries should an incident occurred to incomplete isologoup or mannorised access.		
			- Establish an ergence sponse pla ecific to the project and communicate it to all members and procedures to follow in case of incidents involving hazar a psures unauthorised access.		
			- Conduit regular auto and inspections of the isolation controls, barriers, and signage make sure to are well-maintained and functioning effectively throughout a court of the project.		
			- On the principles and refresher courses for employees, focusing on workplace ealth a fafety principles and practices, including proper methods for isolating rk areas and preventing unauthorised access.		
			Clearly communicate the scope of work and safety guidelines to all team members before commencing the task.		
			- Use standardised measuring equipment to ensure accurate measurement during the depth confirmation process.		
			- Always use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) such as gloves, safety glasses, and high-visibility vests while performing the task.		
			- Assign a trained and experienced worker to supervise and provide guidance throughout the duration of the task.		
Mark Pit Confirm Depth		2M	- Establish clear lines of communication among team members through regular briefing sessions, two-way radios, or hand signals, as appropriate.	1L	
			- Conduct a thorough risk assessment of the site, including potential variations in pit depth or conditions that could affect accuracy.		
			- Implement a reliable method for marking pits once the depth has been confirmed, such as paint or flagging tape, to avoid confusion.		
			- Maintain up-to-date records of all measurements taken, ensuring each marked pit is correctly documented and accounted for.		
			- Keep the workspace tidy, organised, and free from obstructions, to minimise the risk of slips, trips, and falls around the pit area.		



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			- Ensure that there are adequate lighting conditions at the site, particularly when working in low visibility situations, by utilising portable floodlights or personal headlamps.		
			- Review and update Standard Operating Programs (SOPs) as needed to reflect any changes or improvements to the SWM for cleaning out shallow stormwater pits.		
			- Encourage open feedback from team member possible improvements to hazard identification and control measures, foster a collaborate approach to workplace health and safety.		
			- Regularly inspect a spintain reasuring equipment determine any faults or discrepancies the may let to ina purate measurements, promptly replacing tools as necessar		
			- Provide ongo training and refresh carses to workers, ensuring they remain know eable a ut of practices for accurately marking and confirming pit depth a vell as potential hazards involved.		
4. Set Up Safety Barriers	Falling objects, Inappropriate barrie placement	3H		1L	



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5. Check Equipment	Damaged equipment, Insufficient tools	2M		1L	



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6. Remove Surface Debris	Sharp objects, Biohazards	3H		2M	



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7. Extract Sediments	Manual handling injuries, Inhalation of dust and particles	ЗН		2M	



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8. Disposal of Waste	Incorrect waste disposal, Excessive time spent in pit area	3Н		1L	



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9. Inspect Pit for Damage	Tripping while inspecting, Missed damage identification	2M		1L	



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10. Clear Obstructions	Working at heights, Struck by falling objects	3H		1L	



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11. Clean Pit Surface	Slippery surface, Misuse of cleaning chemicals	2M		1L	



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12. Reinstate Area	Inadequate site clear up, Improper lifting of barriers	3H		2M	



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EMERGENCY RESPONSE – CALL 000 FOR EMERGENCIES

Ensure to have an Emergency Management Plan in place as well as adequate numbers of trained first aid staff with easy access to fully stocked first aid kits, rescue equipment, material safety data sheets, adequate access to emergency communication equipment and fire-fighting equipment suitable for all classes of fire and ignition sources.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES

RELEVANT LEGISLATION AND CODES OF PRACTICE. DELETE THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCES. ANY STATE OF AT ARE NOT APPLICABLE.

Queensland & Australian Capital Territory

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011

 $\underline{\textbf{Legislation QLD:}} \ \underline{\textbf{https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/work-health-and-safety-laws}}$

Codes of Practice QLD: https://www.worksafe.qld.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice Legislation ACT: https://www.worksafe.act.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations

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New South Wales

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2017

Legislation NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/legal-obligations/legislati

Codes of Practice NSW: https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/lis > odes-or racti

Northern Territory

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011

Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulation 201

Legislation NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/laws-and-compliance/wo_place-

Codes of Practice NT: https://worksafe.nt.gov.au/5

South Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA)

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (SA)

Legislation for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/resources/le_lation

Codes of Practice for SA: https://www.safework.sa.gov.au/work_aces/codes-of-practice#COPs

Tasmania

Work Health and Safety Act 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2012

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2012

Work Health and Safety (Transitional) Regulations 2012

Legislation for TAS: https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/acts-and-regulations

Codes of Practice for TAS: https://worksafe.tas.gov.au/topics/laws-and-compliance/codes-of-practice

Details of permits, licenses or access required by regulatory bodies (add or delete as required):

- Permits from local council
- Authorisation to commence work
- Any required documents.

Victoria

Occupational Health al. Safety Act

Occupational Health and afety gulations 2017

Legis on VIC: https://www.xsafe.vic.gov.au/occupational-health-and-safety-act-and-

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Western Australia

Work Health and Safety Act 2020

Work Health and Safety Regulations 2022

Legislation Western Australia: https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/legislation

Codes of Practice WA: https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/worksafe/codes-practice

Safe Work Australia Links

Law and Regulation (All States): https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/law-and-regulation Model Codes of Practice: https://www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/resources-publications/model-codes-of-practice

Model Codes of Practice

- Managing noise and preventing hearing loss at work
- Confined spaces
- Labelling of workplace hazardous chemicals
- Managing risks of hazardous chemicals in the workplace
- Welding processes
- First aid in the workplace
- Managing the risk of falls at workplaces
- Hazardous manual tasks
- Managing the risk of falls in housing construction
- Managing electrical risks in the workplace
- Demolition work
- Excavation work
- Work health and safety consultation, cooperation and coordination
- Managing the work environment and facilities
- How to manage work health and safety risks
- Managing risks of plant in the workplace
- Construction work



SIGNATORIES OF THE SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT

The signed and dated personnel listed below have cooperated in the consultation and development of this Safe Work Method Statement which has been approved by the Person/s Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU). In signing this Safe Work Method Statement each individual acknowledges and confirms that they have read this SWMS in full, having raised any questions for items on this Safe Work Method Statement that require clarification, and confirms that they are competent, skilled and knowledgeable for the task assigned to them. Every person acknowledges that they have received the relevant training and qualifications where required, before carrying out any work contained in this Safe Work Method Statement. By signing this Safe Work Method Statement each individual agrees to work safely, to follow any safe work instructions which are provided, and agrees to use all Personal Protective Equipment where appropriate.

Worker Name	Pos	sition	Signature	Date	Time	Supe	ervisor
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INITIALS							
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SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT REVIEW CHECKLIST

This Safe Work Method Statement Review Checklist is to be followed and used upon initial development of the SWMS to help ensure that all steps have been adequately taken before work commences. Think of this document as an internal audit review checklist before commencing work, and may form part of a Toolbox Talk (safety meeting) and may be used as an opportunity for education and training.

ITEMS WHICH MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE SWMS	COMPLETED	TO BE DONE	COMMENTS
The company details have been entered, including the project name and address.			
Names and signatures of all relevant personnel consulted during the development of the SWMS.		P P	
Name, signature, position and date signed of the person approving the SWMS.			
Specific personnel and qualifications, experience is noted in the SWMS.	P		
Provides a step-by-step process of tasks required to carry out the activity or task.			
Adequate risk assessment of any identified hazards has been completed.			
Foreseeable hazards are identified and documented for each step.			
Any hazards listed in any site risk assessments have been added to the SWh			
SWMS initial risk (IR) column as well as residual risk (RR) columns completed.			
Check control measures added to the SWMS are the most effecting so tions.			
Responsible person is assigned and listed on the SWMS for the imperent of continue assures.			
Permit requirements specified, such as Hot Work, Veralt Heights etc.			
SWMS identifies plant and equipment to be u d.			
Details of inspection checks required for any equipment listed are noted on the SWMS.			
Describes any mandatory qualifications, experience raining skills required to perform the work.			
Applicable personal protective equipment is selected on the SWMS.			
Lists any required permits or licenses.			
Reflects and documents any legislative references and/or Australian Standards.			
dentifies any hazardous substances used with specific control measures in line with any SDS.			
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