Rock, Sand and Gravel Mining Permitting Requirements

1. **Which facilities need to be permitted?** – All rock, sand, and gravel mining operations that will discharge industrial wastewater, or that will use surface impoundments and/or subsurface tanks to store industrial wastewater, are required to apply for an authorization under the OKG95 General Permit, with the following exception:

   Construction sand dredgers/mining operations (SIC Code 1442) that do not discharge industrial wastewater do not need an authorization under the OKG95 General Permit, unless the facility operates a surface impoundment that receives wastewater from any source other than the washing of mined/dredged material.

2. **What about Stormwater?** – The discharge of stormwater from rock, sand, and gravel mining operations is permitted by the OKR05 Multi-Sector General Stormwater Permit. See [here](#) for information on how to apply for an OKR05 authorization.

   You can choose to have the discharge of stormwater permitted under the OKG95 General Permit instead of the OKR05. However, in this case, the industrial wastewater effluent limitations in the OKG95 General Permit will be applied to the stormwater discharge.

3. **How do I apply?** – To apply for an authorization under the OKG95 General Permit, fill out and submit [Form 616-G95](#) to DEQ at the following address:

   Industrial Permits Section  
   Water Quality Division  
   Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality  
   P.O. Box 1677  
   Oklahoma City, OK 73101-1677

   An application fee of $114.88 is due with the application.

4. **Who do I contact with questions?** – See [here](#) for a map of current permitting districts and permit writers, as well as phone numbers. Contact the permit writer for the county you plan to operate in if you have additional questions.