

Monitoring Building Sites for Sediment & Erosion Control Measures - a new tool

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ES=P! Now that is a strange equation! **Exposed Soil = Pollution** is a new initiative from Richard Klein of Community and Environmental Defense Services (CEDS).

As you travel around the county, or just go down the road from your home, you've probably encountered a construction site and in some cases have been appalled at the muddy mess that it creates. If so, this new tool may be just what you've been looking for.

Description: <http://ceds.org/esp.html>

Reporting Tool: www.surveymonkey.com/s/WX2TXSN

Quoting from Mr. Klein:

"Unlike past citizen sediment control monitoring efforts, **ES=P** requires very little time, no training, no trespass, and no contractor-enforcement agency confrontations. Instead, participants simply use an online form to report exposed soil when they find it on a construction site. Legitimate reports are then forwarded to the appropriate enforcement agency".

If you do see a construction site, whether it is well contained behind its silt fences or not, give this tool a try and let me know how you fare!