

TOWNSHIP OF NORTHAMPTON

55 TOWNSHIP ROAD, RICHBORO, PENNSYLVANIA 18954

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND GRADING ORDINANCE

EARTH DISTURBANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

1. Will you disturb 10,000 sq.ft. or more of existing stabilized ground cover? _____
2. If this is a swimming pool/grading project, will you be disturbing more than 2,000 sq.ft.? _____

If you answered "Yes" to question two, please contact Bucks County Conservation District per the attached information.

If you answered "Yes" to question one, please complete the following:

SITE LOCATION: _____

SQUARE FOOTAGE TO BE DISTURBED: _____

APPLICANT: _____
(Please Print)

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

Fee: \$600.00 Transaction No. _____ Date _____

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUPPLY ALL INFORMATION AS SPECIFIED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 499 (COPY ATTACHED) AND RETURN SAME TO THE ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEE. THIS SUBMISSION WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE TOWNSHIP ENGINEER FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL.



BUCKS COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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In Pursuit of Environmental Excellence


June 10, 2005

To engineering and municipal executives:

Because of the increasing number of single family homes being designed by registered engineers, the Bucks County Conservation District has prepared the attached requirements intended to provide erosion and sediment control details and plan notes for that specific purpose. Also included are instructions for swimming pool/grading projects. Remember, this information *is for use only when designing projects for use in Bucks County.*

Additional erosion and sediment control-related material is also provided for your information. We hope you find it useful in your work.

Sincerely,


Frederick S. Groshens,
Manager

Bucks County Conservation District

Erosion/sediment controls must include for...

Single-family home plans prepared by engineers

- Construction sequence
- Presence of any hydric soils (see www.bucksconservation.org website for soils detail)
- Limit of disturbance (include all E&S control locations, driving paths to septic system, pools, offsite utilities, etc.)
- PA One Call symbol, phone number and site-specific serial number
- Location map with north indication arrow
- Silt fence location (including DEP detail and maintenance notes)
- Rock filter outlet in silt fence (including DEP detail and maintenance notes)
- Rock construction entrance location shown with flared end sections for turnouts (including DEP detail and maintenance notes)
- Seeding, mulching, fertilizer, liming types/rates
- Contours

For Pools

Use requirements above; however, when using an existing driveway instead of a rock entrance, there must be a statement on the plan or an attached note that the driveway will be kept free of sediment. Pool projects of 2,000 square feet or less, including grading, do not require Conservation District approval. They do require plans on site showing E&S control locations and details. Pools, including grading that exceed 2,000 square feet, require normal District plan approvals.

Ways to avoid enforcement

Any site with one or more of the following violations can be subject to enforcement action:

- Direct pumping of sediment-laden water into waters of the Commonwealth.
- Major earth disturbance prior to the installation of all sediment controls. (i.e., properly installed and functioning traps and basins.)
- Removal of sediment controls before the contributing drainage area is stabilized.
- Failure to install sediment controls.
- Operating construction equipment in a stream, wetland or other waters without appropriate permits.

These points serve as an aid to keep project sites in compliance with Chapter 102, Erosion and Sediment Control, and Chapter 105, Clean Streams Law. (Bucks County Conservation does not regulate Chapter 105 activity) If you have any questions, contact the Bucks County Conservation District (215-345-7577.)

At all earth disturbance sites

Stones, mud, dirt and/or construction debris must be removed from all roadways immediately upon observation by contractors, developers, etc., and/or their agents, or municipal personnel. Under no circumstances will stones, mud, debris, etc., be allowed to remain on road surfaces for any period of time.

It is your responsibility to take any actions necessary to remove any and all of these items from road surfaces immediately upon notice, or upon being directed to do so, regardless of whether or not you believe you are responsible. Failure to comply with this requirement is a violation and could result in work stoppage, penalties, violation notices or other remedies.

International Fire Code

The International Fire Code requires that when an interior road (or roads) are required for residential housing, such roads (temporary or permanent) must be of sufficient strength and width to carry emergency vehicles (including fire trucks) prior to the start of building construction.

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