

HOUGHTON COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

SOIL EROSION/SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMIT APPLICATION

Pursuant to Part 91, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, of Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended.

A Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit is required for **earth changes** that are located within 500 feet of a **lake** or **stream** and for **earth changes** that are one acre (43,560 square feet) or more in surface area, regardless of the location.

Earth Change – A human-made change in the natural cover or topography of land, including cut and fill activities, which may result in or contribute to soil erosion or sedimentation of adjacent properties or the waters of the state. Earth change does not include the practice of plowing and tilling soil for the purpose of crop production.

Stream – A river, creek, or other surface watercourse which may or may not be serving as a drain as defined in Act No. 40 of the Public Acts of 1956, as amended, being section 280.1 et seq. of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and which has definite banks, a bed, and visible evidence of the continued flow or continued occurrence of water, including the connecting waters of the Great Lakes. This includes a ditch, gully, ravine, etc. that *is serving* as a river, stream, or creek.

Lake – The Great Lakes and all natural and artificial inland lakes or impoundments that have definite banks, a bed, visible evidence of a continued occurrence of water, and a surface area of water that is equal to or greater than one acre. “Lake” doesn’t include sediment basins and basins constructed for the sole purpose of storm water retention, cooling water or treated polluted water.

Instructions:

Please fill out the PERMIT APPLICATION and a SITE PLAN and submit them with the PERMIT FEE. (Checks payable to Houghton County.)

Part 91, Rule 1703 REQUIRES all permit applications to include a SESC (**Soil Erosion & Sedimentation Control**) site plan that shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

1. Scaled plan submitted on **no smaller than an 8½ x 11 (letter size) piece of paper**.
2. Site location sketch.
3. Distance to nearest lake or stream.
4. Predominant land features.
5. Soils information and slope
6. Limits of earth change.
7. Drainage facilities.
8. Timing and sequence.
9. Temporary SESC measures.
10. Permanent SESC measures.
11. Maintenance program for SESC.

* The above numbers correspond with the numbers on the example site plan

Enclosed with the Soil Erosion Application is an example of a SESC site plan and a Letter of Authorization for Designated Agents.

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Permit Fee Schedule

Effective April 1, 2009

SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL

Up to One Acre - Plan Review & Permit Fee	\$90 (Includes Two Inspections)
Each Additional Acre or Fraction Thereof	\$20
Additional Inspections	\$40 Each

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND ALL OTHER EARTH CHANGES *

Up to One Acre - Plan Review & Permit Fee	\$200 (Includes Three Inspections)
Each Additional Acre or Fraction Thereof	\$40
Additional Inspections	\$40 Each

* Please see instructions on permit application for definition of "earth change"

- Permits will expire one year from the date issued (five years for sand & gravel pits)
- Permits may be extended one additional year for a fee equal to 50% of the original permit fee
- After-the-fact permits will have \$50 added to the permit fee

SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION POLLUTION CONTROL APPLICATION

Part 91, P.A. 451 of 1994

Houghton County Drain Commissioner

401 E. Houghton Avenue

Houghton, MI 49931

(906) 482-4491

Permit Number
Date Issued
Expiration Date
Permit Fee \$

For Questions, please call: John Pekkala -Office (906) 482-4491

Home (906) 482-0765

1. APPLICANT (Please check if the applicant is the landowner or designated agent*) () Landowner () Designated Agent						
Name				Address		
City				State	Zip	Area Code/Telephone
2. LOCATION		Section	Town	Range	Lot No(s)	Township
		Street Address:				
City/Village				Property ID # or Attach Property Legal Description:		
3. PROPOSED EARTH CHANGE		Project Type: () Residential () Multi-Family () Commercial () Industrial () Land Balancing () Other				
Describe Project						Size of Earth Change (Acres or Square Feet)
Distance to Nearest Lake, Stream or Dam _____ ft.		Watercourse(s) Affected:			Project Start Date:	Project Complete Date:
4. SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN (Note: Two (2) sets of complete plans must be attached.)						
Estimated Cost of Erosion & Sedimentation Control \$ _____			Plan Preparer's Name and Telephone Number: _____ Area Code ()			
5. PARTIES RESPONSIBLE FOR EARTH CHANGE: Property Owner of Record (If not provided in Box No.1 above) NAME:						
Address			City	State	Zip	Area Code/Telephone
6. Name of Individual "On Site" Responsible for Earth Change				Company Name		
Address			City	State	Zip	Area Code/Telephone

I (we) affirm that the above information is accurate and that I (we) will conduct the above described earth change in accordance with Part 91, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, of the Natural Resource and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, applicable local ordinances, and the documents accompanying this application.

Landowner's Signature

Date:

Designated Agents Signature*

Date:

* Designated agent must have a written statement from landowner authorizing him/her to secure a permit in the landowner's name.

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LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION

(Note: Complete this form only if the permit applicant or primary contact person is not the landowner of record.)

Type of Project: _____

Location of Project: _____

Township/City: _____

Property Tax ID#: _____

As landowner of the property described above, I authorize the person indicated below to act on my behalf for the purposes of this application for a Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Permit pursuant to Part 91, Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, Act No. 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended. I understand that I am responsible for all earth changes related to this project and understand that Part 91, Act 451 may be enforced against me in the event of any violation of that Act.

LANDOWNER:

(Please print or type)

(Signature)

(Address and Phone Number)

LANDOWNER'S AUTHORIZED AGENT:

(Please print or type)