



CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD

A Permit From The EPB Is Needed When:

A regulated activity is planned to be conducted within a regulated area.

What is regulated?

Regulated Activity – any operation, activity, or use within or having an effect upon a regulated area involving removal or deposition of material, or any obstruction, construction, alteration or pollution of any regulated area.

Regulated Area –

- Inland wetlands or watercourses
- 100-year floodplains or FEMA Special Flood Hazard Areas
- Open Space / Conservation Easement Areas
- Areas immediately adjoining wetlands and watercourses necessary to provide protection from the adverse impacts of unregulated land uses.



What is a watercourse?

Most watercourses are easily recognized, and include lakes, ponds, rivers and streams. Some are only apparent during certain times or seasons of the year and are termed “intermittent” watercourses.

Watercourse

Means rivers, streams, brooks, waterways, lakes, ponds, marshes, swamps, bogs, and all other bodies of water that are natural, artificial, vernal, or intermittent, public or private, that are contained within, flow through, or border upon Stamford.

Intermittent Watercourse

Shall be delineated by a defined permanent channel and bank and the occurrence of at least two of the following characteristics: (a) evidence of scour or deposits of recent alluvium or detritus; (b) the presence of standing or flowing water for a duration longer than a particular storm incident; and (c) the presence of hydrophytic vegetation.

When in doubt, ask!

What are wetlands?

Not all wetland areas look wet. It's about the soils and the drainage conditions in a particular location. A Soils Scientist has the final word.

“Wetlands”

Means land, including submerged land that consists of any of the soils types designated as poorly drained, very poorly drained, alluvial, and floodplain by the National Cooperative Soils Survey (a Federal initiative that identifies soils using an established classification system). Such areas may include filled, graded, or excavated sites that possess aquic (water-saturated within 24 inches of the surface of the ground) soils.

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