



Chapter 18E.20

REGULATED USES AND ACTIVITIES

18E.20.020 Regulated Uses and Activities.

B. The following activities are regulated within critical fish and wildlife habitat areas, wetlands, aquifer recharge area, landslide hazard areas, erosion hazard areas, flood hazard areas, and/or their buffers unless exempted by Section 18E.20.030:

1. Removing, excavating, disturbing, or dredging soil, sand, gravel, minerals, organic matter, or materials of any kind;
2. Dumping, discharging or filling;
3. Draining, flooding or disturbing the water level or water table. In addition, an activity which involves intentional draining, flooding or disturbing the water level or water table in a wetland or stream in which the activity itself occurs outside the regulated area shall be considered a regulated activity;
4. Driving piling or placing obstructions, including placement of utilities;
5. Constructing, reconstructing, demolishing, or altering the size of any structure or infrastructure;
6. Altering the character of a regulated area by destroying or altering vegetation through clearing, harvesting, cutting, intentional burning, shading, or planting;
7. Activities which result in significant changes in water temperature or physical or chemical characteristics of wetland or stream water sources, including changes in quantity of water and pollutant level;
8. Application of pesticides, fertilizers and/or other chemicals unless demonstrated not to be harmful to the regulated area;
9. The division or redivision of land pursuant to Title 18F, PCC and boundary line adjustments;
10. The creation of impervious surfaces.

These activities should not occur until all appropriate permits have been received, and the critical area review is complete. Failure to comply with these regulations could result in permit processing delays, monetary fines, or potential prosecution by the Pierce County Prosecutor.