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Stream Permitting Guide

Montana Floodplain and Floodway Management Act

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Who Must Apply

Anyone planning new development within a designated Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA). Check with local floodplain administrator to determine whether a Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) has been designated for the stream of interest. A list of local Floodplain Administrators may be found at www.mtfloodplain.mt.gov

Activities Requiring a Permit

New development including, but not limited to, placement of fill, roads, bridges, culverts, transmission lines, irrigation facilities, storage of equipment or materials, and excavation; new construction/development, placement, or replacement of manufactured homes; and new construction, additions, or substantial improvements to residential and commercial buildings.

Purpose of the Law

To promote the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in Regulated Flood Hazard Areas. Review and permit appropriate uses, within the designated floodplain and floodway areas, that will not be seriously damaged or present a hazard to life, if flooded, thereby limiting the expenditure of public tax dollars for emergency operations and disaster relief.

Who Administers the Law

Floodplain Development Permits are available from the local floodplain administrator a local official designated by the City or County government.

Application Procedure/Timeline

Permit applications are available from the local floodplain administrator. Application fees are established by the local government and vary widely throughout the state. Joint application participant-see Permitting Tips section.

For more information, contact:

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Local Floodplain Administrators

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