



October 13, 2020

Attn: Builders/Developers

Regarding: **New Requirement for Soil Erosion Permits**

The City of Troy would like to inform you of the following new requirement for all soil erosion permits that will be issued beginning on January 1, 2021.

Starting January 1, 2021, all soil erosion permits will require that the entire lot have permanent vegetation in place prior to granting final approval of the soil erosion permit. Specifically, 100% of the lot must be covered with sod or other approved living ground cover (excluding the dwelling unit, accessory structures, parking/driveways and walkways).

Please note that Final Grade Approval is required prior to placing permanent vegetation on the site. Seed and mulch is also acceptable, however dense vegetation needs to be established before a Certificate of Occupancy (C.O.) can be granted as determined by the Building Official, City Engineer or their designee. C.O. from the Building Department requires final approval of all permits associated with the building permit.

For C.O.'s requested during the winter months where sod or seed are not viable, a temporary certificate of occupancy (T.C.O.) can be granted from the Building Department with the submittal of a \$5,000 cash deposit per lot for One Family Cluster Developments or a \$10,000 cash deposit per lot for all other developments. The purpose of the cash deposit is to ensure that permanent vegetation is placed the following spring. The cash deposit would be refunded once permanent vegetation is in place and has been approved by the City.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 248-524-3383.

Sincerely,

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