



Draft Land Development Regulations

Category: Environmental Protection Standards

Spotlight on Steep Slopes

Summary: South Burlington proposes to prohibit new development on slopes exceeding 25% and require additional design for development on slopes of 15-25%.

What's in the Current Regulations: The city does not presently regulate steep slopes directly. Indirectly, the Regulations' erosion control standards prohibit construction-related erosion and the Regulations' stormwater standards require rainwater to be managed.

What's in the Proposed Changes: The proposed Regulations prohibit new development on slopes exceeding 25% except where specifically allowed for a Restricted Infrastructure Encroachment. New development on slopes 15-25% must demonstrate slope stability and limit disturbance.

What is the purpose of this change?

Steep Slopes are considered a risk to erosion and slope stability hazards. The proposed amendments implement this as a prevention and mitigation measure.

Where can I find the proposed changes?

Section 12.03 of the draft [Regulations](#)

Within the [Interactive Map](#) of Current and Draft Environmental Standards

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