



Wayne County
Department of Environment
Land Resource Management Division
Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control (SESC)
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Who needs a permit?

Any person undertaking an earth disturbance project greater than one acre or within 500 feet of a lake, river, stream, county drain, state regulated wetland, or other “waters of the state.”

2. How many Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permits does Wayne County currently issue?

Wayne County Department of Environment (WCDOE) issues an average of 220 permits per year.

3. How do I apply for a Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permit?

You can go to www.waynecounty.com/doe_lrm_prog_soilerosion_permit.htm and follow the links for the permits or contact the Land Resource Management Division of the Department of Environment at (734) 326-3936.

4. Do other agencies in Wayne County issue Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permits?

Yes, WCDOE issues SESC permits in 33 of the 43 Wayne County communities. You can find a complete listing of communities that issue their own permits on the WCDOE website at www.waynecounty.com/doe_lrm_prog_soilerosion.htm.

5. How much does a Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permit cost and how long does it take?

The permit fee for a single family residence is \$300 for 2 years, other construction projects are based on the acreage of the earth disturbance. Permits as guaranteed under Wayne County’s permit processing initiative will be issued within 45 – 60 days. Visit the following website for further details: http://www.waynecounty.com/doe_lrm_prog_soilerosion_permit.htm.

6. When do I need an inspection and how do I schedule an inspection?

WCDOE randomly performs Inspections depending on the specific project. If you wish to schedule an inspection please contact the Land Resource Management Division at (734) 326-3936.

7. How long is a Soil Erosion Control permit issued for?

Permits issued for a single family residence are issued for 2 years. Other construction project permits are issued for 30 months. Projects not completed before the permit expiration date must be renewed.