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

1. **Who needs a permit?**
   Any person undertaking an earth disturbance greater than one acre or within 500 feet of a lake, river, stream, county drain, state regulated wetland, or other “waters of the state.”
   A landowner undertaking an earth change of less than one acre that is part of a larger common development may also require a permit.

2. **How many Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permits does Wayne County currently issue?**
   Wayne County LRMD issues an average of 302 permits per year.

3. **How do I apply for a Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permit?**
   You can go to [http://www.waynecounty.com/doe/soilerosion.htm](http://www.waynecounty.com/doe/soilerosion.htm) and follow the links or contact the Land Resource Management Division at (734) 326-3936.

4. **Do other agencies in Wayne County issue Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control permits?**
   Yes, LRMD issues SESC permits in 35 of the 43 Wayne County communities. You can find a complete listing of the eight communities that issue their own permits on the WCDOE website at [http://www.waynecounty.com/doe/soilerosion.htm](http://www.waynecounty.com/doe/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 $435 for 2 years; fees for other construction projects are calculated based on the acreage of the earth disturbance. Applications and plans are reviewed within 30 days from the date of receiving a complete application package.

6. **When do I need an inspection and how do I schedule an inspection?**
   LRMD performs unscheduled 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?**
   All soil erosion control permits remain active for 2 years. Projects not completed before the permit expiration date must apply for a permit renewal and pay a renewal fee.