

construction project will have a certificate of attendance at a Department of [Natural Resources] THE ENVIRONMENT approved training program for the control of sediment and erosion before beginning the project. A certificate shall be valid for a 3-year period. A certificate shall be automatically renewed unless the Department of [Natural Resources] THE ENVIRONMENT notifies the certificate holder that additional training is required.

(c) The appropriate governmental entity authorized to approve grading and sediment control plans may waive the requirement of this section for the responsible personnel on any project involving four or fewer residential units.

(d) Any person may develop and conduct a training program if the program content and instructor are approved by and meet the requirements set by the Department of [Natural Resources] THE ENVIRONMENT.

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(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, before any person clears, grades, transports or otherwise disturbs land for any purpose including, but not limited to constructing buildings, mining minerals, developing golf courses, or constructing roads and streets, the appropriate soil conservation district first shall receive, review, and approve the proposed earth change. Land clearing, soil movement, and construction shall be carried out in accordance with the written recommendations of the soil conservation districts regarding control of erosion and siltation and elimination of pollution.

(b) In Montgomery County, notwithstanding the provisions of § [8-1103(a)(1)] 4-103(A)(1) and § [8-1104(c)] 4-105(C) of this subtitle, the soil conservation district may delegate to the County Department of Environmental Protection, by written agreement between the district and the Department OF THE ENVIRONMENT, the authority to review and approve or reject any sediment control plans for nonagricultural land-altering activities.

(c) In Prince George's and Montgomery counties, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, after consultation with and advice of the soil conservation districts of the two counties and the Department of [Natural Resources] THE ENVIRONMENT, shall prepare and adopt rules and regulations for erosion and siltation control requirements for utility construction. The rules and regulations shall be adopted and enforced as are others of the Commission under authority conferred by other laws. These rules and regulations apply to any contractor doing work for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. Utility construction may not be undertaken in Montgomery County until an erosion and sediment control plan is submitted to and approved by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. After the county reviews