days of the expiration of the permit, he shall present a written request for extension to the Department of Inspections and Permits, setting forth the reasons therefor. Where, in the sole discretion of the Department of Inspections and Permits, such an extension is warranted, it may grant such additional time as may be necessary.

(b) If operations cease for a period of ninety (90) consecutive days, permanent erosion and sediment control measures shall be employed as set forth in Article V of this Subtitle.

Section 12-2015. TIME LIMITATIONS—BORROW PIT, QUARRIES, MATERIAL PROCESSING FACILITIES.

- (a) Permits issued for sand, gravel, or clay pits, rock quarries or any other mining or material processing operations involving excavation and/or stockpiling of soil, rock, or other materials shall lapse one (1) year after termination of continuous operations and active removal of material. Said permits shall be reviewed annually by the Department of Inspections and Permits for compliance in accordance with the approved grading plan.
- (b) If active, productive and continuous operations are not conducted DISCONTINUED on the site within ninety (90) days SIX (6) MONTHS of the issuance of said permit, the Department of Inspections and Permits shall require the erosion and sediment control measures set forth in Article V of this Subtitle.
- (C) IF THE WORK AUTHORIZED UNDER A GRADING PERMIT DOES NOT COMMENCE WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS AFTER ITS ISSUANCE, SAID PERMIT SHALL BE DECLARED VOID, AND ANY SECURITY SHALL BE RELEASED AND RETURNED TO THE PERMITTEE AND/OR SURETY.

Section 12-2016. RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGES.

Neither the issuance of a permit under the provisions of this Subtitle nor the compliance with the provisions of this Subtitle shall relieve any person from any responsibility for damage to persons or property otherwise imposed by law, nor impose any liability upon the County for any such damages.

Section 12-2017. REMOVAL OF DEBRIS.

No debris or other materials shall be deposited in floodplains, watercourses, public streets, highways, sidewalks or other public thoroughfares.

Section 12-2018. MAINTENANCE OF PROTECTIVE MEA-SURES.

All graded surfaces, erosion control measures, vegetative covers and/or other protective measures disturbed or destroyed during the course of operations shall be promptly repaired, restored and maintained in accordance with the approved plans and specifications until permanent measures are accepted by the Department of Inspections and Permits.