

continuity of the beach system which includes a dunal system, prevents adequate maintenance, shore erosion and sediment control, and storm protection of these and adjacent areas, and results in the imposition of additional financial burdens on the citizens of the State. To protect the natural resources of the State, the Secretary of [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES shall adopt criteria and procedures for the counties and the local soil conservation districts to implement soil and shore erosion control programs. These procedures may provide for departmental review and approval of major grading, sediment, and erosion control plans. THESE PROCEDURES SHALL PROVIDE THAT THE DEPARTMENT CONDUCT PERIODIC INSPECTIONS AND REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION BY THE COUNTIES AND THE LOCAL SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS OF THESE CONTROL PLANS.

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(a) A county or municipality may issue grading and building permits as provided by law. A grading or building permit may not be issued until the developer (1) submits a grading and sediment control plan approved by the appropriate soil conservation district, and (2) certifies that all land clearing, construction, and development will be done under the plan. Criteria for sediment control and the procedure for referring an applicant to the appropriate soil conservation district shall be acceptable to the soil conservation district and the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES. The county or municipal unit responsible for on-site inspection and enforcement of the provisions of this subtitle shall make a final inspection and forward its report to the appropriate soil conservation district. Notice of violations of the provisions of this subtitle shall be filed with both the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES and the appropriate county unit.

(b) Each county or municipality shall adopt grading and building ordinances necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle, with the assistance of the Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES and the appropriate soil conservation district.

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(b) After July 1, 1980, any applicant for sediment and erosion control plan approval shall certify to the appropriate jurisdiction that any responsible personnel involved in the construction project will have a certificate of attendance at a Department of [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES 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 [Health and Mental Hygiene] NATURAL RESOURCES notifies the certificate holder that additional training is required.