

CHAPTER 8 WETLANDS PROTECTION

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8.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter describes the requirements for meeting Minimum Requirement # 8, Wetland Protection. See Kitsap County Code Title 12.18.120, Wetlands Protection.

8.1 APPLICABILITY

The requirements below apply only to projects whose stormwater discharges into a wetland, either directly or indirectly through a conveyance system. These requirements must be met in addition to meeting Minimum Requirement #6, Runoff Treatment.

8.2 THRESHOLDS

The thresholds identified in Minimum Requirement #6 – Runoff Treatment, and Minimum Requirement #7 – Flow Control shall also be applied for discharges to wetlands.

8.3 STANDARD REQUIREMENT

Discharges to wetlands shall maintain the hydrologic conditions, hydrophytic vegetation, and substrate characteristics necessary to support existing and designated uses. The hydrologic analysis shall use the existing land conditions to determine the existing hydrologic conditions unless directed otherwise in the Critical areas ordinance codified as Title 19 to the Kitsap County Code.