



Want to Build a Pond?

Check Requirements for all Ponds...Even Farm Ponds

Rules and Regulations

There are many federal, state and local rules and regulations governing building a pond and clearing land. Failure to obtain permits from federal, state & local authorities may result in fines and/or legal actions. Permits that may be needed include an Erosion Control Permit, Floodplain Development Permit, 401 Water Quality Certification, and a 404 Permit from the USACE. If you feel you have a suitable pond site and you are planning to clear land, you should contact the following agencies prior to beginning any work.

For Local Permit Information Regarding Land Clearing & Projects Intersecting Floodplains:

Iredell County Planning & Development
349 N. Center Street/P.O. Box 788
Statesville, NC 28687

Erosion Control Section:

Jonathan Williams (704) 878-3118 ext. 3144
Landon Clontz (704) 832-2352 ext. 2352

Floodplain Development:

Kathy Wolfe (704) 878-3118 ext. 1702

For Federal Permit Information Regarding Stream & Wetlands:

Cathy Janiczak,
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Charlotte, NC Regional Office
(704) 510-1438



For State Permit Information Regarding Wetlands, Buffers, & Stream Permitting:

Alan Johnson
Sr. Environmental Spec.
N.C Dept. of Environmental Quality, Division of Water Resources (401 & Buffer Permitting Branch)
Mooresville Regional Office, 610 East Center Avenue, Suite 301, Mooresville, NC 28115
(704) 663-1699

For Dam Safety Information:

James Moore
Assistant Regional Engineer
N.C Dept. of Environmental Quality, Division of Energy, Mineral & Land Resources,
Mooresville Regional Office, 610 East Center Avenue, Suite 301, Mooresville, NC 28115
(704) 663-1699

For Technical Assistance, Pond Assessments, & Agricultural Regulations (Farm Use):

Iredell Soil and Water Conservation District/USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service
Agricultural Resources Center
444 Bristol Drive
Statesville, NC 28677
(704) 873-6761 ext. 3