Major Site Plan Water Quality Considerations

This form is intended to address and document water quality considerations for major site plans. The purpose of this form is to ensure that potential impacts on water quality are evaluated and considered within the municipality. Planners, planning boards, zoning boards, and environmental commissions may use this checklist to ensure that a major site plan is meeting the municipality's stated goals while protecting water quality.

Project Name:	
Project Location:	
Proposed Action:	

Wetlands:	Yes:	No:	N/a:
Utilize wetland maps here: https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/erm/			
https://fwsprimary.wim.usgs.gov/wetlands/apps/wetlands-mapper/			
Project leaves undisturbed 100ft buffers around wetlands, waterways, or other key			
resources.			
Project considers nearby wetlands and riparian areas and their water treatment and flood			
prevention potential on a watershed-wide scale.			
Project uses appropriate pretreatment practices such as vegetated systems or detention or			
retention basins to prevent adverse impacts to wetland functions from hydrologic changes,			
sedimentation, or contaminants.			
Project does not alter wetlands or riparian areas to improve one function at the expense of			
their other functions (flood control, water treatment, habitat, etc.).			
Project avoids impacts to wetlands, streams, and other aquatic resources; ensures potential			
impacts have been minimized and that compensation is provided for unavoidable impacts.			
Applicant has indicated that they are working with or have been in contact with DEC to obtain			
any permits that may be required.			

Stormwater and Water Quality:	Yes:	No:	N/a:
Project has stormwater controls for increased runoff caused by changed surface conditions to minimize the danger of flooding, erosion, and pollutants entering waterbodies, even if under one (1) acre in size.			
Project identifies and plans for green infrastructure opportunities for managing stormwater that fit with community character.			

Project plans for maintenance of existing or new private stormwater runoff control structures		
including permeable pavements.		
Entire property (existing or, proposed) to be included in stormwater analysis/calculation.		
Project identifies locations where floods or high water-levels can infiltrate the drinking water,		
sewer, or stormwater infrastructure.		
Project considers adjacent land uses and stormwater impacts of project on downstream		
areas.		
Project utilizes 303(d) list and prevents further degradation of water quality in nearby		
waterways. Utilize map here: https://dec.ny.gov/environmental-protection/water/water-		
quality/nys-section-303d-list-of-impaired-tmdl-waters		

Conservation and Climate:	Yes:	No:	N/a:
Project's impact on climate change is acknowledged and documented with plan for reducing			
the impact.			
Project identifies possible habitat and natural conveyance system restoration or connection			
opportunities. See WNY Wildway map here:			
https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/2205b3f623fc42a2b46779f05cacd5b6			
Natural features have been addressed for protection in project.			
Renewable energy sources, such as solar and wind energy systems, have been given space			
away from agricultural land, and/or environmentally sensitive areas, such as wetlands and			
forests.			
Attention is given to the importance of conservation districts/areas for wildlife habitat and			
flood resiliency.			

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Utilize maps here:			
DEC Wetland Mapper: https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/erm/			
DEC info locator: https://gisservices.dec.ny.gov/gis/dil/			
Cultural Resource Information System: <u>https://cris.parks.ny.gov/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f</u>			
Project preserves natural features and conforms substantially with the natural boundaries			
including waterbodies, floodplains, wetlands, forests, etc.			
Project has a soil erosion and sediment control plan (SESC) in place.			
Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?			
Project targets/emphasizes training for contractors, inspectors, zoning, and planning officials such as sediment and erosion control training, stormwater management training, flood			
management training, or other environmental municipal training programs.			
Will the project impact the community's public services and infrastructure such as sewer demand?			

Shoreline:	Yes:	No:	N/a:
Utilize map here: https://cris.parks.ny.gov/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f			
Project ensures significant coastal fish and wildlife habitats will be protected, preserved, and			
where practical, restored to maintain their viability as habitats.			
Does the project minimize damage to natural resources and property from flooding and			
erosion by protecting natural protective features including beaches, dunes, barrier islands,			
wetlands, floodplain benches, and bluffs.			
Project will not impact scenic resources of statewide significance.			
Project utilizes DOS 44 Coastal Policies in plan. Coastal policies found here:			
https://dos.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2020/02/coastalpolicies.pdf			
Project references and conforms to any approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan in			
place.			
Spill contingency plan in place.			

Winter:	Yes:	No:	N/a:
Does the proposed development take into account changing climate conditions such as temperature fluctuations, changes in storm intensity and frequency, and shifts between types of precipitation and the impacts on erosion, flooding, building stabilization, and energy efficiency?			
Snow storage is planned for and is placed away from environmentally sensitive areas.			
Proposed development areas utilize deicing strategies to limit salt and sand from entering waterbodies. Project considers lower salt or sand de-icing and/or permeable pavements.			
Proposed development areas treat increased runoff caused by changed surface conditions to minimize the danger of flooding, erosion, and pollutants entering waterbodies from snow melt.			
Proposed development will address the clean-up of debris left after snowmelt and at the beginning of spring and will restore the soil if needed.			

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