

# Summary of Changes to Surface Drainage Bylaw

## Bylaw 16-2009

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### Part 1: TITLE

Revised the title of Surface Drainage Bylaw to “Surface Drainage and Site Grading Bylaw” to more accurately reflect the context of the Bylaw.

### Part 2: DEFINITIONS

- removed definitions of “*Approved Final Grade Certificate*”, “*Approved Rough Grade Certificate*” and “*Approved Surface Drainage Plan*” “*County Bylaw Enforcement Officer*” as they were deemed unnecessary
- added definition for “*Act*” to reference the *Municipal Government Act*
- updated definition for “*Commercial Lot*” to include industrial and multi-family sites
- updated definition of “*Commissioner*” to “*Chief Commissioner*”
- removed definitions of “*County Residential Lot*”, “*County Residential Subdivision*”, “*County Lands*”, “*Land Use Bylaw*”, “*Lot Grading Inspection*”, “*Person*”, “*Plan of Certification of As-Built Surface Drainage Plan*”, “*Slope*”, “*Surface Elevation*” and “*Surface Grade*” as terms are no longer referenced within the Bylaw
- updated definition of “*Engineering Standards*” to “*Design and Construction Standards*”
- added definition for “*Drainage Easement*”
- updated definition of “*Fees and Charges Bylaw*” to “*Fees, Rates and Charges Bylaw*”
- updated definition for “*Final Grading*” to reflect our current process
- removed definitions of “*Final Grade Certificate*” and “*Rough Grade Certificate*” and replaced them with one definition for “*Grading Certificate*”; separate definitions were redundant with Final Grade and Rough Grade already defined
- updated definition for “*Lot Grading*” to reflect permitted scope
- updated definition for “*Lot Grading Guidelines*” to reflect differences between Commercial Lot and Single Family Lot
- removed the definitions of “*Lot Grading Inspector*”, “*Manager*” and “*Manager, Engineering and Environment Planning Services*” as titles are no longer referenced within the Bylaw
- updated definition for “*Owner*” to align with definition in Land Use Bylaw
- added definition for “*Project Completion Certificate*” to reflect new process for private sites without municipal infrastructure
- updated definition of “*Residential Lot*” to “*Single Family Lot*” to align with Land Use Bylaw
- updated definition for “*Rough Grading*”
- added definition for “*Site Grading Plan*” to reflect current terminology
- updated definition for “*Surface Drainage Plan*” to reflect current terminology
- removed definitions of “*Violation Tag*” and “*Violation Ticket*” as both are explained in detail within the Bylaw

### Part 3: SITE GRADING PLANS

This part now includes and replaces Part 4 of the current Bylaw which referenced Commercial Lots and Country Residential Lots together. A Site Grading Plan focuses strictly on Commercial Lots as per the new definition. A Country Residential Lot is now classified as a Single Family Lot and is discussed in Part 4.

### Part 4: RESIDENTIAL SURFACE DRAINAGE PLANS

This part replaces portions of Part 3 of the current Bylaw which referenced Commercial Lots and Country Residential Lots together. A Surface Drainage Plan focuses strictly on Single Family Lots as per the updated definition.

### Part 5: SITE GRADING APPROVAL

- updated to better reflect the current grading approval process
- updated terminology and remove titles no longer used
- updated to improve and clarify the County's approval process
- updated to clarify differences between Commercial Lot and Single Family Lot approval processes

### Part 6: SURFACE DRAINAGE RESTRICTIONS

- updated to include and replace portions of Part 7 of the current Bylaw
- Section 10 was reworded to improve clarity and remove ineffective language
- Section 11 (1) (c) was revised from 0.3m to 2.0m to allow runoff space to disperse or infiltrate prior to flowing onto a County right-of-way
- updated terminology and bylaw references

### Part 7: AUTHORITY OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER (previously ADMINISTRATION)

This part was revised to more clearly describe the duties, inspection process and requirements.

### Part 8: OFFENCES AND ENFORCEMENT

This part was revised to align with current procedures and bylaws.

### Part 9: GENERAL

This part was revised to reflect current terminology, titles and requirements.

### SCHEDULE "A"

Offenses have been updated for clarity, realigned with corresponding section numbering and some fine amounts have been increased.