

2017 Annual Shoreland Activities Survey

Directions: Please answer the following questions for your county's 2017 activities within the shoreland area (1000 feet from lakes and 300 feet from rivers or the extent of the floodplain, whichever is greater).

This survey is six pages in length. All questions are required unless otherwise noted. You will not be able to move onto the next page until all required questions are answered. There is an option to "save" your survey, but clicking this button does not submit your survey to the DNR. **You must click "submit"** on the last page of the survey in order for the DNR to receive your responses. You will have the option to print a copy for your records before you click submit. Once you print, remember to **return to the main page to click submit**. Once you submit, a report of your survey responses will also be sent to the email address you provide in the survey within two weeks of submittal.

To receive a shoreland grant in 2018, this form must be completed by **February 1, 2018**.

County Name:

2017 Shoreland Block Grant Amount (\$):

Variances

List the number of shoreland variance approvals in 2017 (if zero, please enter "0" in the box):

A) OHWL setback:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
B) Bluff setback:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
C) Septic system setback:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
D) Impervious coverage:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
E) Building height:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
F) Water-oriented accessory structure (# or size):	<input type="text" value="0"/>
G) Guest cottages (# or size):	<input type="text" value="0"/>
H) Combination of contiguous nonconforming lots of record in common ownership for development or sale (Minn. Stat. § 394.36, Subd. 5(d)):	<input type="text" value="0"/>
I) Subdivision of land not meeting lot area/width standards:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
J) SIZ or BIZ prohibitions:	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Approximately how many approved variances for items A through G above involved new construction on a conforming lot?

- All
- Most
- About half
- Hardly any
- None

Does your county typically place conditions on approved variances?

- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable

Has your county required any of the following conditions to minimize the deviation or resource impact? (click all that apply)

- Redesigning the project
- Reducing the footprint or project scope
- Moving structure to another location on the property
- Acquiring additional land
- Reducing impervious surface

For approximately how many variance inquiries in 2017 were alternative solutions found (thus reducing the actual number of variance applications)?

- All
- Most
- About half
- Hardly any
- None

Does your county require septic system compliance inspections (system upgrades) whenever a permit or variance is granted?

- Yes
- No

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Lots & Land Subdivisions

What were the total number of lots created in 2017?

Shoreland PUD:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Standard lot and block subdivision:	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Lot Splits (administrative subdivision):	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Were any of these lots part of Resort Conversions?

- Yes
- No

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Permits

How many land use permits did your county issue in shoreland areas in 2017 for **new construction on previously undeveloped lots**:

Total # of permits for conforming lots:	<input type="text" value="1"/>
Total # of permits for nonconforming lots:	<input type="text" value="0"/>

How many land use permits did your county issue in shoreland areas in 2017 for **redevelopment** (e.g., expansion of structures, substantial improvements, new structures added to developed lots):

Total # of permits for conforming lots:	<input type="text" value="4"/>
Total # of permits for nonconforming lots:	<input type="text" value="1"/>

How many permits for grading, excavation, filling, or soil disturbance within the shore impact zone were issued in 2017?

Does your county generally inspect the work?

- Yes
- No

If so, how and when? Check all that apply.

- On-site inspection prior to construction
- On-site inspection during construction
- On-site inspection after construction
- As-built drawings and measurements required after construction

Other, please describe:

You have ? characters left in your response.

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Planning & Enforcement

Did your county update or amend its shoreland ordinance in 2017?

- Yes
- No

Does your county have plans to amend its shoreland ordinance in 2018?

- Yes
- No

Does your county notify the DNR at least 10 days prior to public hearings for variances, CUPs, and ordinance amendments, and within 10 days after final decisions?

- Yes
- No

If yes:

Who do you notify? (name of DNR staff person):

Scott Bohling

How do you notify them? (mail, email, etc.):

email

Which townships in your county have taken on shoreland and floodplain zoning administration? Please list the townships and describe any cooperative agreements between your county and townships:
You have ? characters left in your response.

N/A

How does your county administer and enforce the shoreland vegetation provisions that prohibit intensive vegetation clearing and limits selective cutting in the shore and bluff impact zones and on steep slopes on residential and commercial properties?

- Complaint-based
- Require permit
- Specify quantifiable standards for cutting in ordinance
- Other (describe below)

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Resources/Training/Other

All of the following questions are optional.

What shoreland-related trainings, guidance, or tools do your staff or Board of Adjustment need?

You have ? characters left in your response.

What type of standards does your ordinance contain that are more restrictive than the minimum state standards? (check all that apply)

- Structure setbacks from OHWL
- Structure setbacks from bluffs
- Septic setbacks from OHWL
- Septic setbacks from bluffs
- Larger lot area/width
- Required riparian buffer
- A vegetation cutting permit
- Other (describe below)

Have any new or unanticipated issues arisen in the past year that you would like the DNR to address or provide guidance on?

You have ? characters left in your response.

Did your county pursue or consider pursuing any special initiatives or outreach efforts to protect shorelands in 2017?
Please describe:

You have 7 characters left in your response.

If you have any additional comments or questions on any shoreland-related issues, please enter them here:

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Contact Information

County:

Contact Person & Title:

E-mail Address:

Phone Number:

Would you like to print a copy of your responses for your records right now? (Note: You will also be sent a PDF of your responses by e-mail. Please allow up to 2 weeks for delivery.)

- Yes, print a copy now
 No, I don't need a copy right now

***Okay, please hit "Print" below to print a hard copy of your responses or to "print" to Adobe PDF for a digital copy.
Then return to this page and hit "Submit" to submit your report.***

Thank you for completing this form!

**Any questions, please contact:
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