



Washington Conservation District Monitoring Plan for Buffer Compliance Tracking

§103F.48 RIPARIAN PROTECTION AND WATER QUALITY PRACTICE

1. Compliance tracking of all parcels subject to the Buffer Law

All parcels subject to the Buffer Law in Washington County will be reviewed by Washington Conservation District (WCD) staff once every 3 years. Review of the parcels will be conducted using the most up-to-date County aerial imagery.

2. Random spot checks

The WCD will conduct random spot checks of parcels subject to the Buffer Law, in addition to the aforementioned tracking. Spot checks will be conducted via aerial imagery review or on-site review depending on availability of updated aerial imagery, the practice that is being checked, and land access. A combination of both aerial and on-site review may be used.

The WCD will conduct 5-10% of parcels on a random spot check review each year.

3. Process to handle complaints

The WCD will address public complaints related to Buffer Law compliance. Public complaints should be submitted to the WCD through email, letter, or phone call.

The WCD will record the date of the complaint, the location of the area subject to the complaint, and any additional details. Complaints will remain confidential.

After a public complaint, the WCD will perform a spot check of the location related to the complaint and conduct any necessary follow-up with the appropriate entities.