

OUTAGAMIE COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

INSPECTION CORRIDOR/BUFFER POLICY

In addition to its assessment authority, the District has the authority to regulate erosion control practices within drainage district corridors pursuant to Wis. Stat. §88.74 and Wis. Admin. Code §48.30.

The following policy will be used for failure to implement necessary erosion control practices within the corridor buffer as determined by the County Drainage Board:

- 1) A minimum 20', or greater as specified by the Drainage Board, grassed corridor (measured from the top of bank) shall be established along all district ditches as defined by ATCP 48.24.
- 2) Corridors will be monitored annually during the annual inspection of all drains.
- 3) Owners of parcels with inadequate corridors will be notified by certified letter to re-establish the vegetation within a specified deadline.
- 4) Parcels where vegetation is not re-established by the specified date will be assessed a penalty of 10 times (10x) the annual district dues for the parcel in question for that year and each subsequent year until the corridor/buffer is re-established.
- 5) Owners will be required to notify the Board of a re-establishment for re-inspection purposes.
- 6) Once the corridor is established, any alteration to the corridor may result in enforcement until acceptable vegetated cover is restored.

Failure to comply with the above will result in the property owner being assessed the full amount of any construction costs incurred by the drainage district to implement necessary erosion control practices (ATCP 48.02 (4)).

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