

6.9 Wetlands

No building, roadway or septic system shall be constructed within 100 feet of a Class I wetland and within 50 feet of a Class II wetland. Classification of wetlands are established by the State of Vermont.

In addition, no draining, dredging, filling, or alteration of the water flow shall occur within 50 feet of such wetland, unless such use has been approved by the Vermont Water Resources Board through the issuance of a Conditional Use Determination.

6.9.1 Definition - "Significant Wetlands" are those wetlands classified as "Class I" and "Class II" by the Vermont Wetland Rules and shown on the Vermont Significant Wetland Inventory Maps (also known as the National Wetlands Inventory Maps) for the Town of Richmond published by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. These maps are on file in the office of the Richmond Zoning Administrator.

6.9.2 Permitted Uses - the provisions of this Section shall not apply to agricultural and silvicultural practices, provided that such practices comply with all applicable local and state ordinances.

6.10 Water Supply Source Protection

All activities within the municipal water supply source protection area are governed by the Town of Richmond's Water Supply Source Protection Ordinance. Contact the Zoning Administrator for location of the Protection Area and requirements of the Ordinance.

6.11 Steep Slopes

Any proposed construction on land with a slope of over 20% shall be required to submit engineering plans for adequate erosion control and safe construction methods as part of a complete application for the proposed use, activity or structure. An access must be provided which meets the Vermont Agency of Transportation's B-71 Standards and local requirements, and if conflicting, the stricter apply.