

Vegetation Assurance for Shore Protection in a Critical Dune Area during High Water Levels

Directions: The law requires the property owner provide an [assurance](#) that the cutting and removal of trees and other vegetation for a proposed use in a critical dune area will be in accordance with the Forest Management Guidelines prepared by the Michigan Society of American Foresters.

If you are proposing shore protection due to the high water levels on the Great Lakes, you may choose to agree to this vegetation assurance written specifically for this type of project. This vegetation assurance is available to you when completing your application in [MiWaters](#). If you do not agree to this vegetation assurance, then upload a separate vegetation assurance when requested during the application process in MiWaters.

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Project site description: The site is a lakeward facing slope adjacent to the water's edge.

Proposed development: Impacts to the existing vegetation are proposed only on the lakeward facing slope adjacent to the water's edge and within the area necessary to access the work site. Vegetation impacts will be minimized within the areas to the degree practicable.

Seasonal issues: Planting to restabilize the site will occur upon project completion but no later than the beginning of the next growing season.

Special considerations: The vegetation outside of the project footprint will be protected.

Proposed actions for maintaining site stability during and after construction: All vehicles and materials will be limited to the project area as identified on the submitted plans.

Proposed revegetation of the site: American beach grass (*Ammophila breviligulata*) plugs will be planted onsite. The grass will be planted upon project completion but no later than the beginning of the next growing season. The site will be monitored for a minimum of two years to ensure the grass is growing. Any dead plugs will be replaced. Trees and shrubs removed will be replanted with native species at a 1 to 1 ratio. Invasive plants will be removed from the site.

Additional comments:

This vegetation assurance represents my site. I agree to abide by the requirements of this vegetation assurance.