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# CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

## COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

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## Wet Season Tree Removal

Restriction (October 1 through April 1)

In Geologic Hazard and Protected Slope Areas

## Seasonal Development Limitation Waiver

## CHECKLIST FOR SUBMITTAL

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The following are the submittal requirements for a waiver to remove trees during the seasonal development limitation (SDL) period of October 1 to April 1. Proposed tree removals on affected sites must be completed outside of the SDL period to avoid the requirement for a waiver.

*No cutting of trees located in geologic hazard areas or protected slope areas is allowed between October 1 and April 1 unless:*

- A.** *An administrative waiver has been granted; or*
- B.** *It is required due to an emergency situation involving immediate danger to life or property. The City Arborist may grant an administrative waiver to this seasonal development limitation if the City Arborist determines that such environmentally sensitive areas will not be adversely impacted by the proposed cutting and the applicant demonstrates compelling justification by a geotechnical evaluation of the site. The City Arborist may require hydrology, soils and storm water retention studies, erosion control measures, restoration plans, and/or an indemnification/release agreement. (MICC 19.10.110)*

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### SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS:

- A.** Tree Permit
- B.** Application Fee (see attached Development Application for fees)
- C.** A Certified Arborist Assessment of the tree or trees that justifies the safety of the proposed work within the wet season.
- D.** A Geotechnical Analysis specifically addressing the risk of wet season tree removal and required replanting with respect to slope stability and erosion control. This document must address replanting of trees, size (must be at least 6' tall, unless approved by the City Arborist), species, location of planting, time of year replanting is to take place, and irrigation/plant establishment.
- E.** Execution of Mercer Island Indemnification/Hold Harmless Agreement.

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### ADDITIONAL SITE-SPECIFIC INFORMATION THAT MAY BE REQUESTED PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF WAIVER:

- F.** Survey
- G.** Tree Inventory
- H.** Liability Insurance
- I.** Performance Bond (or Assignment of Funds Account)