

**NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE  
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Engineering Policies- Technical Bulletin**

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<b><u>Subject:</u></b> Applicability of Soil Restoration Requirements	<b><u>From:</u></b> John E. Showler P.E., State Erosion Control Engineer

**1.01 PURPOSE**

To clarify the minimum threshold area of a site plan subject to soil restoration measures, and, to clarify test locations on single family lots which are subject to restoration measures.

**1.02 SUMMARY**

**1.02.1 Minimum Threshold Area.** The Standard for Land Grading allows for exclusion of certain types of sites from the requirement for soil restoration, including a discrete, contiguous area less than 500 square feet. Smaller discrete areas which may cumulatively add up to or exceed 500 square feet do not constitute a soil restoration area. Each single, contiguous area equal to or exceeding 500 square feet constitutes a soil restoration area. A project, including a single lot, may have more than one soil restoration area.

**1.02.2 Test locations on single family lots.** Residential projects regulated by N.J.A.C. 2:90-1.14(m) include stand-alone single family lots and subdivisions consisting of two or more single family or multi-family dwelling units. Any dwelling which requires a Certificate of Occupancy from the local municipality will also require a Report of Compliance from the local district and may also require soil restoration measures to be implemented if it is otherwise not excluded by the Standard for Land Grading. A soil restoration verification form must be submitted to the local soil conservation district for each Report of Compliance requested corresponding to each individual lot.

Therefore, the requirements for test locations in the Land Grading standard apply on each individual lot and must be shown on the certified erosion control plan for all residential subdivision projects.