

CITY OF RAPID CITY TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM HOMEBUILDER TO HOMEOWNER FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

Prior to being issued a Certificate of Occupancy, the new homeowner(s) must read and initial each statement, fill in the property address, and print and sign their name(s) at the bottom.

	Permanent stabilization is landscaping that stabilizes the soil. Examples include grass, rocked or mulched planting beds, retaining walls, and pavement for walkways and patios.
	Permanent stabilization must begin within 14 days of construction activity ceasing.
	Property is considered stabilized when landscaping covers 70% of the bare soil.
	I am taking responsibility for property that has not been stabilized.
	I am responsible for beginning permanent stabilization of this property within 14 days, or as conditions permit if the soil is frozen or too wet to work.
	I must keep my soil on my property.
	Soil can be kept on my property before and during landscaping by using tackifier, surface roughening, hydro-mulch, straw mulch, and/or erosion control blanket to prevent erosion of my soil. Wattles and silt fence can be used to capture soil before it leaves my property.
	Wattles or silt fence installed upon my property, by myself or others, must be periodically cleared of captured soil/sediment to maintain effectiveness as sediment controls. Captured soil shall be placed upon my property.
	Wattles and silt fence shall be removed and properly disposed of once the site is stabilized. Wattles may be cut open and inner contents placed upon my property if I so choose.
	I am responsible for cleaning up any soil that leaves my property.
	I understand that soil cannot cover sidewalks, curbs, streets, and gutters adjacent to my property.
	I understand that the City of Rapid City can fine me each day soil leaves my property.
	I understand that I can be liable for the expense of restoration of drainage if soil leaves my property and enters storm sewers and/or drainage easements.
	I understand that materials for landscaping—such as topsoil, rock, and sod—cannot be placed on the public road as it creates hazardous driving conditions and is against City Ordinance.
	I understand that materials that wash off my or my landscaper’s trailers and trucks must be cleaned off the road and are not allowed to enter the storm sewer inlets.
	I understand that I am responsible for ensuring my landscaper understands the statements above and cleans up after his/her self if soil or rock is tracked off my property.
	I understand that my neighbors can bring a civil lawsuit against me if soil leaves my property and enters theirs, if they so choose.
	I understand that I am responsible for knowing whether or not drainage easements exist on my property. I am not allowed to fill in or build in drainage easements.

Property Address

Print Owner Name(s)

Sign Name(s)

Date