

NPCA Floodplain Policies



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- New document approved September 2018.
- Underwent extensive public consultation.
- Provides context for WHY we regulate a floodplain.
- These policies guide NPCA decision making when considering development within a regulated area.



Hixon Road, Beamsville



Lake Ontario Shoreline, St. Cath.

What is Allowed in the Floodplain?

- Non-structural agricultural uses (i.e. crops).
- New agricultural structures, additions and expansions.
- Additions to existing buildings (up to 500 square feet).
- Garages, gazebos, swimming pools.
- Parking lots, driveways, and private roads.
- Equipment storage.
- Up to 50 cubic metres of clean fill (2 dump trucks).

What is Not Allowed in the Floodplain?

- Sensitive uses, such as hospitals, nursing homes, day-cares and schools.
- Emergency services facilities (i.e. fire stations).
- Uses associated with the disposal, treatment, manufacturing or storage of hazardous substances.
- New houses, condos, apartment buildings, etc.
- New septic systems.
- Large amounts of fill.

Thank you!



Questions?