This document provides basic guidance about acceptable and unacceptable waste management practices. It does not replace, change, augment, or substitute for any requirements contained in the N.C. General Statutes, the Administrative Code or local government requirements.

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SITE APPROVAL PROCESS:

**Siting Requirements:**
Siting requirements based on waste type and management option:

- **100-feet from:** surface waters/waters of the State, property boundaries, buildings and structures, septic systems, vegetative waste to potable water supply wells.

- **250-feet from:** demolition waste to potable water supply wells

- **300-feet from:** tub grinders to structures or locations where property damage and/or personal injury could occur due to airborne debris, vibration, etc. This distance may be reduced under consultation with the Section.

  Avoid flood-prone areas.

**Site Evaluation:**
The Emergency Site Selection Evaluation Sheet is submitted to your regional Environmental Sr. Specialist (ESS) with the Solid Waste Section to initiate an on-site site evaluation. The ESS will arrange to visit the site to further evaluate the siting criteria, location, access, safety concerns, etc. The site must then pass review by Natural Heritage Program (NHP) and State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). This process can take several weeks and is one reason why the Solid Waste Section encourages advance planning and approval of these temporary disaster debris sites.


**Conditional Approval:**
All temporary disaster debris sites require activation with the Section prior to waste acceptance. The applicant may receive a written notice of “conditional approval” which outlines the process by which the site can be activated for a six month period following an emergency event. If site specifics change, such as localized development or environmental conditions, the activation of the site could potentially be denied. It is recommended that a periodic review of the site be conducted to ensure that the area continues to meet the conditional approval.

**Definitions:**

- **Construction & Demolition Waste** (C&D) Solid waste from construction, remodeling, repair or demolition of buildings, or other structures. Examples include, but are not limited to, insulation, plywood, particle board, treated and painted wood, shingles, wire, and sheet rock.

- **Vegetative Waste:** Typically includes material similar to "Land Clearing Waste" or yard wastes. Stumps, trees, limbs, brush and other naturally occurring vegetation.

- **Inert Debris** Unpainted concrete, brick, concrete block, uncontaminated soil, rock, and gravel.

- **Electronics** Computers, monitors, televisions, printers, etc.

- **White Goods** Refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, freezers, ac units, washing machines, dryers, etc.