

4.10 Performance Standards for General Open Space

4.10.1 Purpose

The General Open Space Performance Standards establish design criteria and minimum standards for Comprehensive Planning Area developments within the Village of Cumberland. The purpose of the Open Space Performance Standards is to:

1. Enhance quality of life for residents, visitors and/or employees.
2. Protect the habitat contained within these areas; and
3. Protect the numerous watersheds contained within the Village boundaries.

4.10.2 Applicability

The provisions of the General Open Space Site Planning and Performance Standards shall apply to all Comprehensive Planning Area developments within the Village of Cumberland.

4.10.3 Performance Standards for Identification, Layout, Delineation, Inclusion of Recreation Space and Access of Open Space

The OCP designation of CPA declares that all projects proposed within any such designation will be required to address the following Open Space Performance Standards;

- 4.10.3.1 All Open Space proposals will require *identification and layout* of Open Space that:
 - 4.10.3.1.1 Is in accordance with the best principles of environmental site design;
 - 4.10.3.1.2 Is located as close to all development as possible, with greenways leading to major recreation spaces;

- 4.10.3.1.3 Includes major recreation areas that are best located to serve all community residents; and
 - 4.10.3.1.4 Is freely accessible to all residents, visitors and / or employees within the Village.
- 4.10.3.2 Require *delineation* of Open Space that:
- 4.10.3.2.1 Physically screens or differentiates private lots from common open space areas through use of shrubbery, trees, and markers, among other methods.
- 4.10.3.3 Provide a portion of the Open Space that is usable for active recreation, where appropriate, as follows:
- 4.10.3.3.1 The recreation land should not include narrow or irregular pieces of land that are remnants from logging or the layout of streets and parking areas;
 - 4.10.3.3.2 The slope of recreation land to be used for active play areas should not exceed two percent;
 - 4.10.3.3.3 Recreation land is not be traversed by utility easements unless such utilities are placed underground and no part of them or their supportive equipment protrudes above ground level; and
- 4.10.3.4 Require *accessibility* of Open Space that is:
- 4.10.3.4.1 Freely accessible to all residents, visitors and/or employees within the Village
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