

# When do you need a Land Disturbing Permit (LDP)?

## Land Disturbing Activity

Any activity which may result in soil erosion from water or wind and the movement of sediments into state waters or onto lands within the state, including, but not limited to:

1. Clearing
2. Dredging
3. Grading
4. Excavating
5. Transporting
6. Filing

April 24, 1975, the Honorable George Busbee, Governor of the State of Georgia, signed into law as Act 599—listed below.

Erosion and Sedimentation (E&S) Act of 1975 (O.C.G.A.—12-7-1 et. Seq.)

O.C.G.A.—12-7-2 states: “It is found that soil erosion and sediment deposition onto lands and into waters within the watersheds of this state are occurring as a result of widespread failure to apply proper soil erosion and sedimentation control practices in land clearing, soil movement and construction activities, and that such erosion and sediment deposition result in pollution of state waters and damage to domestic, agriculture, recreational, fish and wildlife, and other resource uses. It is, therefore, declared to be the policy of this state and the intent of this chapter to strengthen and extend the present erosion and sediment control activities and programs of this state and to provide for the establishment and implementation of a state-wide comprehensive soil erosion and sediment control program to conserve and protect land, water, air and other resources of this state.”