

EROSION EXPLOSION

With the onset of winter rains, we're seeing some turbid times as heaps of sediment wash off development sites into city storm drains, ditches and creeks.

Areas of exposed soil can suffer severe erosion, turning water runoff into a muddy discharge that smothers fish habitat and increases infrastructure maintenance costs.

Developers and builders are responsible for implementing and maintaining erosion and sediment control measures. Roads must be kept clean.

Sediment laden water leaving a development site may be subject to a fine for "fouling a watercourse or the storm drainage system" under the City of Campbell River Environmental Protection Bylaw.

HOW DIRTY IS TOO DIRTY?

If water leaving your site is too dirty to see through, it is too dirty to discharge.

