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PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING A SOIL EVALUATION

1. An **accurate** and **complete** application for a soil evaluation must be submitted along with the appropriate fee. **The application must include the Parcel ID Number.** This Department also must be provided with a legal description and/or survey of the property to be evaluated.
2. An **accurate** site plan indicating the preferred area for the soil evaluation to be performed must be provided or drawn neatly on the space provided on the application. Measurements from the road and one or more of the side property lines must be shown.
3. Miss Dig (1-800-482-7171) must be called **prior** to the soil evaluation. Once Miss Dig has been contacted you must provide this department with the ticket number. An appointment for the soil evaluation will not be set until **after** the date given by Miss Dig for utility clearance.
4. All property lines for the land in question must be readily identified. If property lines are not identifiable at the time of the soil evaluation, the evaluation will not be conducted and a new evaluation appointment must be set.
5. The property to be evaluated must be identifiable by sight from the road (i.e. a sign with name and parcel number, etc.).
6. A backhoe must be provided at the site for the soil evaluation. It may be necessary to secure the services of a contractor to provide this service at your cost. In certain specific instances a hand auger soil evaluation may be completed. This is solely at the discretion of the soil specialist.
7. Once the above items have been completed and/or addressed, the applicant, owner or their contractor can call this department to schedule a day and time for the soil evaluation. Under normal circumstances you may expect an appointment within three to seven business days.

NOTE:

Soil evaluation requests for large parcels of land, multiple parcels of land, commercial use of land and land to be developed under Act 288, P.A. 1967, revised by Act 87, P.A. 1997 (Land Division Act), may require additional or different procedures. Contact this Department for specific procedures regarding any of the above items.