

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

MEMORANDUM

TO: Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: October 13, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #1** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

[Please note the bold underlined language is new and the strikeout bold language in brackets is to be deleted.]

➤ Amend KPB 21.29.020(A), as follows:

21.29.020. Types of permits available.

A. Counter permit. A counter permit is required for earth material extraction which disturbs more than one acre and less than **2.5** cumulative unreclaimed acres. Material processing, screening, or crushing, and material extraction within four feet of the seasonal high-water table is prohibited under a counter permit. A counter permit is valid for a period of two years. Upon request from the applicant, the planning director, or designee, may grant one 12-month extension on a counter permit. Counter permits are approved by the planning director, or designees, and are not subject to notice requirements under KPB 21.25.060. The planning director's decision to approve or deny a counter permit may be appealed to the planning commission, which must act as the hearing officer, in accordance with KPB 21.20.

Your consideration of this amendment is appreciated.

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TO: Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: October 13, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #2** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

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➤ Amend KPB 21.29.020(B), as follows:

21.29.020. Types of permits available.

B. Conditional land use permit. A conditional land use permit (CLUP) is required for the following types of earth material extraction or uses:

1. ~~1. [Earth Materials Extraction CLUP. An Earth Materials Extraction CLUP is required for any material extraction which disturbs 10 or more cumulative acres. Material processing, screening or crushing, or extraction within four feet of the seasonal high-water table is prohibited under this permit. The standard conditions set out in KPB 21.29.050 are applicable to this type of CLUP.]~~ Type 1 CLUP. Earth Materials Extraction with Restricted Processing CLUP. An Earth Materials Extraction with Restricted Processing CLUP is required for any material extraction which disturbs 2.5 or more cumulative acres. Processing is restricted to one portable two-deck screen capable of screening or classifying material, limited to a maximum of 500 cubic yards per day. Extraction within four feet of the seasonal high-water table is prohibited under this permit. The conditions set out in KPB 21.29.050 and .055 are applicable to this type of CLUP.

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2. **[Earth materials processing] Type 2 CLUP. A [n-Earth Materials Processing] Type 2** CLUP is required for any operation that includes earth materials processing, screening or crushing activities. The conditions set forth in KPB 21.29.050 plus the conditions set out in KPB 21.29.055 for material extraction processing area applicable to this type of CLUP.

3. **[Earth Materials Extraction Within Water Table] A Type 3** CLUP. A **[n-Earth Materials Extraction Within Water Table] Type 3** CLUP is required for material extraction and operations of any size within four feet of the seasonal high-water table. The conditions set forth in KPB 21.29.050 plus the requirements and conditions set forth in KPB 21.29.057 for material extraction within four feet of the seasonal high-water table are applicable to this type of CLUP.

An applicant may request a CLUP that includes one, two or all three of the above permit types. A CLUP is valid for a period of five years. A CLUP may be renewed in accordance with KPB 21.29.070. The provisions of KPB Chapter 21.25 are applicable to material site CLUPs and the provisions of KPB 21.25 and 21.29 are read in harmony. If there is a conflict between the provisions of KPB 21.25 and 21.29, the provisions of KPB 21.29 are controlling.

Your consideration of this amendment is appreciated.

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TO: Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: October 13, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #3** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

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➤ Amend KPB 21.29.040, as follows:

21.29.040. Standards for sand, gravel or material sites.

A. These material site regulations are intended to protect against aquifer disturbance, road damage, physical damage to adjacent properties, dust, noise, **visual**, and other impacts of earth materials extraction to properties in the vicinity through setbacks and buffer zones. Prior to granting a counter permit or a conditional land use permit under this chapter, the planning director or planning commission, as applicable, must make the following findings:

1. That the use is not inconsistent with the applicable comprehensive plan;
2. That the use will not be harmful to the public's health, safety, and general welfare;
3. That sufficient setbacks, buffer zones, and other safeguards are being provided consistent with this chapter; **[and]**
4. That the use provides for a reclamation plan consistent with this chapter~~[-]~~ ; **and**

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5. That the use will preserve the value and character of the surrounding area.

Your consideration of this amendment is appreciated.

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TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President
Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: November 15, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #4 Replacement** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

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➤ Amend KPB 21.29.050(A)(1) and (2), as follows:

21.29.050. Permit conditions applicable to all permits.

A. The planning commission or planning director, as applicable, must impose the following mandatory conditions prior to approval of a permit under this chapter:

1. Buffer Zone.

a. ~~[A buffer area of 32 feet must be established between the area of excavation and the parcel boundaries. The buffer area may include one or more of the following: undisturbed natural vegetation that provides sufficient noise and street-level visual screening; an eight-foot earthen berm with a 2:1 slope; or a minimum eight-foot fence.]~~ **The buffer zone for counter permits and CLUPs shall be of sufficient height, density, and setback to provide visual and noise screening of the proposed use to parcels in the vicinity as deemed appropriate by the planning commission or planning director. Buffer requirements shall be made in consideration of and in accordance with existing uses of properties in the vicinity at the time of approval of the permit. There is no requirement to buffer the material site from uses which commence after the approval of the permit.**

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b. A buffer zone shall be established between the area of excavation and the parcel boundaries. The buffer zone for a Counter Permit and a Type 1 CLUP shall consist of one or any combination of the following: Fifty feet of natural vegetation, a minimum six-foot fence, a minimum six-foot earthen berm with a minimum 2:1 slope. The buffer zone for a Type 2 or a Type 3 CLUP shall consist of one of the following: Minimum eight-foot fence, or a minimum fifty feet of natural vegetation and a minimum ten-foot earthen berm with a minimum 2:1 slope.

[b.]c. A 2:1 slope must be maintained between the buffer zone and excavation floor on all inactive site walls. Material from the area designated for the 2:1 slope may be removed if the site plan provides the timeframe for removal and verification that suitable, stabilizing material will replace the removed material within 30 days of removal;

[e.]d. Where an easement exists, a buffer must not overlap the easement, unless otherwise conditioned by the planning commission or planning director, as applicable; and

[d.]e. This requirement may **[only] be waived upon a finding by the planning director or planning commission, as applicable, that a lot line where the waiver is requested is **[directly adjacent to] adjoining** another material site **or industrial use.****

f. Geographic Information System (GIS), photogrammetry, or LIDAR may be utilized in the design of the buffer zone when differing elevations exist between the proposed site and properties in the vicinity. Using this technology, line of sight profile drawings from the uppermost inhabitable level of existing properties located in the vicinity may be utilized in the determination of sufficiency of the buffer zone.

g. At its discretion the planning director or planning commission (as applicable) may waive or reduce buffer requirements when screening proves to be not necessary or not feasible.

2. Water source separation.

a. Material extraction below or within four feet of the seasonal high-water table is prohibited unless the applicant is issued a CLUP Material Extraction Within Water Table Permit and the requirements and conditions set forth in KPB 21.29.057 are satisfied;

b. Dewatering either by pumping, ditching or some other form of draining that removes water from the site or causes water to leave the site is prohibited;

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- c. All permits shall be issued with a condition which prohibits any material extraction within 100 linear feet of any private well or water source existing prior to original permit issuance; and
- d. On site movement of water may be permitted pursuant to KPB 21.29.057 and if: (i) the operator provides a statement under seal and supporting data from a qualified independent civil engineer licensed and active in the State of Alaska that the dewatering will not lower any known water systems; and (ii) the applicant posts a bond for liability for potential accrued damages in an amount equivalent to the cost to replace each water wells within a 300-foot radius of the site. The rebuttable presumption is that the cost per well is a minimum of \$10,000.
- e. **All permits shall be issued with a condition which prohibits any material extraction inside the boundaries of a mapped tsunami hazard zone within 500 linear feet of any existing private well or water source.**

Your consideration of these amendments is appreciated.

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TO: Assembly President
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FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: October 13, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #5** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

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➤ Amend KPB 21.29.050(B), as follows:

21.29.050. Permit conditions applicable to all permits.

B. Discretionary Conditions. The planning commission or planning director, as applicable, may set conditions of approval for issuance of a counter permit or CLUP, as appropriate for the area in which the development is sited, for the following:

1. Setbacks/Buffer Area.

a. The mandatory buffer area condition in subsection (A) above may be increased ~~[, up to a maximum of 100 feet]~~ between the area of excavation and the parcel boundaries if the planning commission finds based on substantial evidence presented that increasing the buffer area is necessary for the public health, welfare and safety of the ~~[surrounding community]~~ vicinity;

i. ~~[Upon request of the applicant, in lieu of any additional buffer area under this subsection designed to separate the use of material site activities from neighboring parcel boundaries, an eight-foot-high berm above the preexisting elevation may be constructed, prior to excavation, around the excavation area. If the excavation site area expands, the berm may move toward the permitted~~

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~~boundary until such limits of the permitted area are exhausted. The berm must be maintained at eight-foot height while permitted activity is occurring.~~ The planning commission may require that an earthen berm with a minimum 2:1 slope of the height determined by the planning commission under KPB 21.29.050 shall be constructed above preexisting elevation around the excavation area. As the excavation area expands, the berm shall be moved toward negatively-impacted properties in the vicinity until such limits of the permitted area are exhausted. The berm must be maintained at the predetermined height while permitted activity is occurring. This earthen berm may be in addition to other buffer zone conditions imposed by the planning commission, or required by KPB 21.29.050.

- b. All other requirements of KPB 21.29.050(A)(1) apply; and
 - c. When a buffer area has been denuded **less than a year** prior to review of the application by the planning commission or planning director revegetation may be required.
2. Road ~~[maintenance and]~~ repair. In consultation with the Road Service Area Director, ~~[road maintenance or]~~ repair of public right-of-way haul routes may be required of the permittee.
3. Ingress and egress. The planning commission or planning director may ~~[determine]~~ suggest the points of ingress and egress for the material site. The permittee is not required to construct haul routes outside the parcel boundaries of the material site. Driveway authorization must be acquired, from either the state through an "Approval to Construct" or the borough road service area, as appropriate, prior to issuance of a material site permit when accessing a public right-of-way.
4. Dust suppression. Dust suppression may be required when natural precipitation is not adequate to suppress the dust generated by the material site traffic on ~~[public right-of-way haul routes]~~ haul routes within permit boundaries.
5. Surface water protection. Use of surface water protection measures as specified in KPB 21.29.030(A)(8)(a).

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~~**6. Street-level screening. Street-level visual screening, noise mitigation, and lighting restrictions as appropriate for the surrounding area and in accordance with the standards set forth in KPB 21.29.040.]**~~

7. Noise suppression. At the discretion of the planning commission or planning director, as applicable, multi-frequency (white noise) back-up alarms may be required on all equipment and vehicular traffic on site as a condition to help meet the noise impact standard in accordance with and in consideration of existing uses in the vicinity.

Your consideration of these amendments is appreciated.

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TO: Assembly President
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FROM: Mike Tupper, Assembly Member *MT*

DATE: October 13, 2022

SUBJECT: **Tupper Amendment #6** Amending Ordinance 2022-36, Amending KPB 21.29, KPB 21.25, and KPB 21.50.055 Regarding Conditional Land Use Permits and Material Site Permits, Updating Notice, Applicability, Permit Types, Application Requirements, Standards and Permits Conditions (Johnson, Chesley)

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➤ Amend KPB 21.29.050 by adding KPB 21.29.050(C), as follows:

21.29.050. Permit conditions applicable to all permits.

C. Volunteered Permit Conditions. Conditions may be included in the permit upon agreement of the permittee and approval of the planning commission or planning director, as applicable. Such conditions must be consistent with the standards set forth in KPB 21.29.040. Planning commission approval of such conditions shall be contingent upon a finding that the condition will be in the best interest of the borough and surrounding property owners. Volunteered permit conditions apply to the subject parcel and operation, regardless of a change in ownership. A change in volunteered conditions may be proposed at permit renewal.

Your consideration of this amendment is appreciated.