

Development Checklist

Resilience Development Strategy Recommendations

FoRR's General Rules of Thumb:

- ❑ Avoid disturbing waterways
- ❑ Plant native vegetation species and remove invasive species
- ❑ Prioritize resilience development
- ❑ Communicate and collaborate with environmental and community organizations

Green Infrastructure:

- ❑ Development should attempt to maximize the use of green infrastructure and climate resilience strategies
- ❑ Development should also maximize the use of landscape-based drainage features
- ❑ Prioritize greenspace amenities and proactive development measures

Buffer Considerations:

- ❑ Avoid development and non-native landscaping within 100 feet of both sides of a wetland or stream
- ❑ If development within 100 feet of a wetland or stream is unavoidable, restore the buffer using native plants and remove invasive plants

General Development Considerations:

- ❑ Avoid disturbing waterways
- ❑ Take action to protect and preserve wetlands, streams, and natural areas of water
- ❑ Assess the property to ensure existing infrastructure are not at risk of failure and are in compliance
- ❑ Prioritize construction phasing to limit clearing to areas of a parcel that are immediately being developed

General Landscape Recommendations:

- ❑ When selecting plant species, prioritize plant species that are native to North America
- ❑ Consider incentivizing native plant and tree landscaping with a reduction of Homeowners Association dues
- ❑ Suggest that lawn areas may be planted with species other than traditional turf grass

Invasive Species Avoidance and Removal:

- ❑ Under no circumstances should any invasive species be intentionally planted
- ❑ Ensure that invasive species commonly used in landscaping are explicitly listed as prohibited
- ❑ If invasive plant species are present consult a professional regarding proper removal techniques