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- A Construction Site Environmental Management Plan (CSEMP) is to be prepared for all projects. For projects in environmentally sensitive areas, such as creek reserves and reserves adjacent to conservation areas, the CSEMP is to be reviewed and endorsed by Council's Sustainable Environment Department prior to commencement of works
- All works are to be carried in accordance with the General Environmental Duty under the Environmental Protection Act and the EPA guidance note 1820: Construction - guide to preventing harm to people and the environment
- All reserve construction sites are to be fenced, with secure temporary fencing
- Existing site soil is to be used within the project wherever possible. Site soil is to be free of any deleterious material, including weed vegetative material or seed, other plant material, debris, building waste, asbestos and rock.
- All rock floaters are to be removed from areas to be grassed, or redesigned to be included in garden beds
- Works adjacent to a waterway must retain as much embedded and surface material as possible.
- Drainage is required to prevent the ponding of surface water in garden beds or grassed areas adjacent to hard paving
- All plant material is to be watered immediately prior to, and after, planting to maximise plant establishment
- Machinery used on site is to be cleaned so as not to spread weed seed and pathogens

Additional requirements for developers

- Refer to Council's Pre-commencement check list
- All Environmental Weeds and Declared Noxious Weeds are be treated and removed in accordance with the Conservation and Land Protection Act 1994
- Refer to Construction and On Maintenance checklist
- Both stockpiled and imported topsoil is to be tested in accordance with Australian AS4419 "Soils for Landscape and Garden Use", and test results are to provided Council prior to spreading soil on site

References

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