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***“Pend Oreille River in the Box Canyon Reservoir, Riverbank Stabilization Guidelines” publication***

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<http://www.pocd.org>

***Washington State Department of Ecology***

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***Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife***

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**Permit sites:**

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***Washington Environmental Permitting Information***

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# Pend Oreille Waterfront Landscaping Questions And Answers



**What is the ideal landscape?** One that is good for you, wildlife and water quality.

### **How do you plan to use your waterfront property?**

Your waterfront property can be used as a home site, for recreational activities and as a haven for wildlife. Landscaping with our region’s beautiful native trees, shrubs, forbs and grasses can help you achieve all your objectives.

### **What will it cost to implement waterfront landscaping?**

The cost can vary depending on the existing condition of your waterfront property and how elaborate you want to get. The range can be from a few hundred dollars on up.



### **Will my waterfront landscape take a lot of time to maintain?**

It will depend upon the current condition of your property and the plants you choose. Native plants are adapted to our climate and once established, require no supplemental irrigation, unlike exotic ornamentals. As with any landscaping, you’ll want to closely manage potential weed growth. Healthy ground covers can help prevent weeds from becoming established.

### **How do I create a planting plan for my waterfront property?**

Answering some questions will assist you in creating your plan. The “Pend Oreille River in the Box Canyon Reservoir, Riverbank Stabilization Guidelines” publication is a good tool to increase your knowledge of a healthy shoreline. It is available on the County Community Development web site.

We encourage you to create a plan that will ensure the full enjoyment of your waterfront property for many years. A questionnaire, guidelines, plant lists and a plan template is available on the Weed Board web site.

When choosing your plants, ensure that you never plant noxious weeds on your property, especially along the shoreline or into natural waters. The current noxious weed list is also available on the Weed Board website.

Pend Oreille County updated its Shoreline Master Plan April 2016. It contains guidelines and the regulations for allowable activities and development on waterfront properties.



This picture shows both protected and disturbed shoreline. The native plants, both upslope and along the shoreline stop erosion and offer bank stabilization. The open areas are sloughing soil and vegetation at a rapid rate.

### **Do I need a permit?**

Probably. Permits are required to do extensive work along the shoreline bank: The use of heavy equipment, building any structures such as a dock, removing large amounts of natural vegetation or aquatic weed control.

The Pend Oreille County Community Development Department and Weed Board; and Washington State Departments of Fish and Wildlife and Ecology have permit processes for these activities.

If you need a major bank stabilization project, the Pend Oreille Conservation District has programs to assist with project development and implementation funding. The permitting agencies are more than willing to help you through the permit process.