Obstruction Removal (500)

Freshly shaped and graded land surface resulting from removal of unwanted obstructions.

Initial Settings: On any land where existing obstructions interfere with planned land use development, public safety or infrastructure. This standard is not intended for the removal of obstructions from aquatic environments.

D.1 (+) Available land area for desired use and operation efficiency.

D.2 (+) Potential of exposing toxic or polluted materials (i.e., treated wood).

D.3 (+) Cost of implementation.

D.4 (+) Upland habitat fragmentation possible if vegetation is removed or manipulated.

D.5 (+) S.T. Emissions (if debris is burned; particulates, CO₂, CO, volatile organic compounds, nitrogen oxides, ammonia, methane).

D.6 (+) S.T. Erosion during demolition process.

D.7 (+) S.T. Soil compaction (equipment operation).

D.8 (-) Runoff, flooding and ponding.

D.9 (-) S.T. Human health and safety during demolition.

D.10 (+/-) Early successional and edge

D.11 (-) Habitat features for herps, small mammals, and invertebrates including pollinators.

D.12 (-) Human health and safety.

D.13 (-) S.T. Visibility.

C.1 (+) Quality of receiving waters.

C.2 (+/-) Income and income stability (individual and community).

C.3 (+/-) Recreational Opportunities.

C.4 (-) S.T. Air quality within the air-shed.

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C.6 (+/-) Early successional and edge.

C.7 (-) Habitat features for herps, small mammals, and invertebrates including pollinators.

C.8 (-) Human health and safety.

C.9 (-) S.T. Visibility.

C.10 (+/-) Net Return.

C.11 (-) Quality of receiving waters.

C.12 (-) S.T. Air quality within the air-shed.