

LAND DISTURBANCE PERMIT INFORMATION HANDOUT
FOR LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF BELLE MEADE, TENNESSEE

Land disturbing activities within the City of Belle Meade, Tennessee are now regulated by the comprehensive stormwater ordinance adopted on September 15, 2004. Following is an excerpt from that stormwater ordinance which details which activities are now regulated. Please see the stormwater ordinance and the Best Management Practice (BMP) Manuals adopted by the City for further information.

Section 3. Land Disturbance Permits.

When required.

Every person will be required to obtain a land disturbance permit from the City of Belle Meade in the following cases:

1. Land disturbing activity disturbs one-quarter (0.25) or more acres of land;
2. Land disturbing activity of less than one (1) acre of land if such activity is part of a larger common plan of development that affects one (1) or more acre of land;
3. Land disturbing activity of less than (1) acre of land, if in the discretion of the City of Belle Meade such activity poses a unique threat to water, or public health or safety;
4. The creation and use of borrow pits.

Building Permit

No building permit shall be issued until the applicant has obtained a land disturbance permit where the same is required by this ordinance.

Exceptions. The following activities are exempt from the permit requirement:

1. Any emergency activity that is immediately necessary for the protection of life, property, or natural resources.
2. Existing nursery and agricultural operations conducted as a permitted main or accessory use.
3. Any logging or agricultural activity that is consistent with an approved farm conservation plan or a timber management plan prepared or approved by the appropriate federal or state agency.
4. Additions or modifications to existing single family structures provided that the land to be disturbed measures less than one-quarter (0.25) acre and poses no unique threat to water, or public health or safety.