

**6130.1500 BUFFERS AND BARRIERS.**

Subpart 1. **Goals.** A mining operation shall be designed, constructed, and maintained so that the operation is compatible with surrounding nonmining uses.

Subp. 2. **Requirements.** Requirements:

A. Naturally existing terrain and vegetation, or vegetated mine waste which appear similar to natural terrain shall be used to minimize problems such as: noise, dust and chemical air pollutants, view, mine traffic, access, and erosion.

B. Buffering shall be implemented prior to beginning operations in a portion of a mining area that needs buffering.

C. Buffers may be constructed within the setback areas described in part 6130.1200, item H provided their primary purpose fulfills item A.

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