

**Sherman Township  
Ordinance No. 1 of 2023  
Wetland Mitigation Properties**

Sherman Township, Iosco County, Michigan ordains:

**Section 1: Purpose**

It is the purpose of this Ordinance to impose standards on properties on which wetlands are created or added to replace lost wetland resources from another area.

**Section 2: Definitions**

**WETLAND MITIGATION PROPERTY:** Lot(s) on which a wetland area is created or added to replace lost wetland resources from another area.

**Section 3: Approval Authority**

The Sherman Township Board of Trustees shall be the approving authority for Wetland Mitigation Property. No lot in Sherman Township shall be utilized as a Wetland Mitigation Property without approval of the Sherman Township Board of Trustees.

**Section 4: Standards**

- A. Submittal Requirements: Prior to the establishment of new or additional wetlands on a property for the purpose of wetland mitigation, the owner of said property shall submit a plan to the Township Board including the following:
1. Map of area to be utilized as new wetlands including the following:
    - a. The area to be utilized as wetlands. Such area shall be clearly delineated and shall include dimensions of the lot and the new wetland area.
    - b. Adjacent lots including the distance from neighboring lot lines.
    - c. Proposed fencing including location, fence type, and height.
    - d. Vegetative screening proposed. Indicate type, height, and spacing of vegetation.
    - e. Sources of noise. Indicate the type of noise source, decibel level, and distance from all lot lines.
    - f. Contour lines showing slope of the property. Indicate direction of drainage and methods to ensure neighboring lots will not be affected.



## Section 6: Violation and Penalty

- A. Any violation of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se.
- B. Any person, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity who creates or maintains a nuisance per se as defined in subsection A above or who violates or fails to comply with this Ordinance or any permit issued pursuant to this Ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined in Sherman Township Municipal Civil Infraction Ordinance. Every day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense under the provisions of this Ordinance. Nothing in this Section shall exempt the offender from compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- C. In addition to enforcing this Ordinance through the use of a municipal civil infraction proceeding, the Township may initiate proceedings in the Circuit Court to abate or eliminate the nuisance per se or any other violation of this Ordinance.

## Section 7: Effective Date

The ordinance changes shall take effect upon the expiration of 30 days after the publication of the notice of adoption.

  
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Supervisor, Sherman Township

  
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Clerk, Sherman Township

I, Nancy, Clerk for Sherman Township, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 1 of 2023 of Sherman Township, adopted at a meeting of the Township Board held on 6-5-23.