

SAANICH GENERAL DPA GUIDELINES

Development Permits issued in these areas shall be issued in accordance with the following guidelines designated under category "a" (protection of the natural environment, its ecosystems, and biodiversity) unless specifically exempted (see page 1):

1. Wherever possible, preserve areas (including buffers) that contain plants or animal habitat which are designated as red listed (endangered) or blue listed (vulnerable) by the Conservation Data Centre (Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks).
2. Generally, the riparian zone should remain free of development and restoration of the riparian zone undertaken as part of the new development, if the vegetation is not intact and healthy (diversity of native shrubs, and trees).
3. The total impervious cover of the site should minimize impact on the receiving aquatic environment. Consideration should be given to reducing impervious cover through reduction in building footprint and paved areas and use of on-site infiltration.