

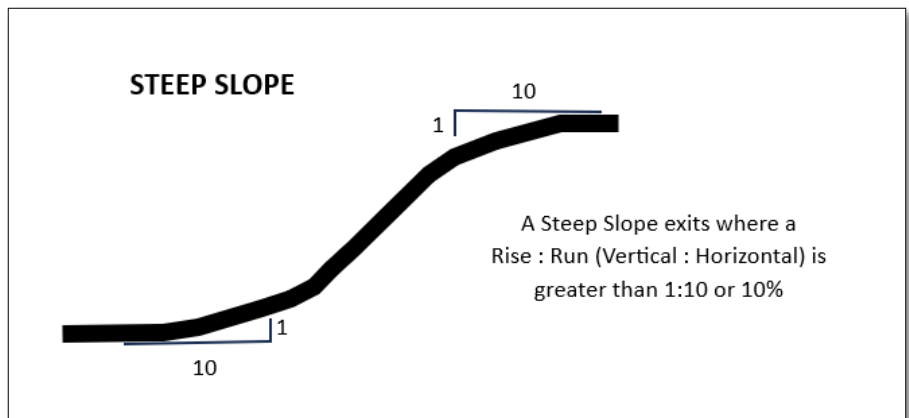
NOTICE
STEEP SLOPE CONSTRUCTION STUDY AND PERMIT ABEYANCE PERIOD
JULY 6, 2023, TO APRIL 6, 2024



During the Permit Abeyance Period, the Village will not accept applications for, and will not issue, any permits for any construction **within the steep slope zone along Lake Michigan that requires a building permit from the Village**. However, the following construction activity within the steep slope zone requiring a building permit is exempted from this prohibition and permit applications for such construction will be accepted: repairs or general maintenance of the bluff or structures or utility facilities on the bluff, construction activity entirely within an existing building, or restoration of property, facilities, and structures that suffer a casualty loss. For a property containing a steep slope zone, the Village will continue to accept applications for construction activity located outside of the steep slope zone.

On July 18, 2023, the Village Council adopted [Ordinance No. MC-08-2023, An Ordinance Amending the Text of the Village Zoning Ordinance to Establish a Study and Permit Abeyance Period for Construction in the Steep Slope Area Along Lake Michigan](#). The general purpose of the proposed amendments is to establish a study period to pause construction activity in the steep slope zone to ensure the Village has time to adequately analyze and adopt any necessary regulations and examine the effects of construction on the Winnetka bluffs along Lake Michigan.

“**Steep Slope**” means land comprising or adjacent to a Bluff where the slope in ascent or descent exceeds ten percent from the horizontal.



“**Steep Slope Zone**” means all land between the bottom of a Steep Slope and the top of the Steep Slope, and also the land that is 40 feet landward from the top of a Steep Slope.

