



Specific Report Requirements - Fish & Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas (KMC 18.63)

Additional requirements for Critical Area Report and associated maps for Fish & Wildlife Conservation Habitat Areas. This report shall be prepared by a qualified professional (KMC 18.58.010(87)) who is also a biologist with experience preparing reports for the relevant type of habitat. All reports may require additional information as determined by the Planning Director.

- 1. The following topics shall be addressed in a critical area report for habitat conservation areas (The distance of 200 feet is suggested to account for buffers/zones that may not be accurately mapped at the time of application):
 - Project area of the proposed activity
 - All habitat conservation areas and recommended buffers within two hundred (200) feet of the project area
 - All shoreline areas, flood plains, and other critical areas, and related buffers within two hundred (200) feet of the project area

- 2. This report shall include an investigative assessment of the site to evaluate the presence or absence of a potential critical fish, wildlife, or plant species or habitat. This assessment shall include the following site- and proposal-related information at a minimum:
 - Detailed description of vegetation on and adjacent to the project area;
 - Identification of any species of local importance, priority species and habitats (PHS), or endangered, threatened, sensitive or candidate species that have a primary association with habitat on or adjacent to the project area, and assessment of potential project impacts to the use of the site by the species;
 - A discussion of any federal, state, or local special management recommendations, including Department of Fish and Wildlife habitat management recommendations, that have been developed for species or habitats located on or adjacent to the project area;
 - A discussion of measures, including avoidance, minimization and mitigation, proposed to preserve existing habitats or restore any habitat that was degraded prior to the current proposed land use activity and to be conducted in accordance with Section 18.58.170; and
 - A discussion of ongoing management practices that will protect habitat after the project site has been developed, including proposed monitoring and maintenance programs.

When appropriate due to the type of habitat or species present or the project area conditions, the City may also require the habitat management plan to include: (1) An evaluation by the Department of Fish and Wildlife or qualified expert regarding the applicant's analysis and the effectiveness of any proposed mitigating measures or programs, to include any recommendations as appropriate; (2) An evaluation by the local Native American Indian Tribe; and (3) Detailed surface and subsurface hydrologic features both on and adjacent to the site.