



# Winterization plans: prepare your site for winter erosion and sediment control

For ESC Plans approved prior to the 2022 ESC Plan updates



## September 15 to November 1

**Review and implement the Winter Preparation Plan** (Section 6.0 of the Approved ESC Plan). This includes the removal of all inlet controls by November 1



## November 1 to April 30



### INACTIVE SITE

#### Winter Shut Down

An inactive site must have **short-term cover** applied. Some short-term covers can't be applied when the ground is frozen. When possible, apply these covers prior to freeze-up. Winter short-term covers are more costly and difficult to install.

**(Section 100.18 Site Stabilization of the Standard Specifications –ESC)**

#### Winter Inspections

**Inspections every 7 days and at critical times** when erosion or sediment releases could occur (wind, precipitation, and melt events).

Reduced inspection frequency may be approved by applying for a Winter Inspection Frequency Reduction Request ([WIFRR](#)) between September and November of each year.

### ACTIVE SITE

#### Winter Operations

Review the drawings that will be followed during the winter.

**Identify what controls can't be installed or can't be easily installed during the winter. When possible install controls** prior to winter.

**Identify the alternate controls** which have been proposed for use during frozen conditions and ensure these are available for installation.

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## After April 30

After winter, reinstall inlet protection. Any WIFRR approvals will expire, and 7-day inspection frequency must resume.