



46 information of the subject and adjoining properties, before land disturbing  
47 activities commence.

48 *[EXPLANATION: This amendment restricts changes to grade (elevation or topography)*  
49 *at and near property lines as an appropriate means to maintain the character of*  
50 *neighborhoods and address stormwater runoff issues. Problems occur when building*  
51 *construction on an adjacent lot results in increased or re-directed stormwater runoff.*  
52 *New construction may cause problems when the site is filled above the elevation of a*  
53 *neighbor's lot, when a retaining wall is built along a property line, when backfill around a*  
54 *new foundation changes overland stormwater runoff, etc., causing damage to a*  
55 *neighbor's property, basement or other structures. This is most problematic on existing,*  
56 *substandard, narrow lots around lakes or along rivers here in Dane County. Companion*  
57 *ordinance amendments to Chapters 10-Zoning and 11-Shorelands are proposed to*  
58 *ensure consistency of administration and enforcement, as a cooperative effort of the*  
59 *Zoning Division of the Department of Planning and Development and the Land*  
60 *Conservation Division of the Department of Land and Water Resources.]*

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