

Environmental and
Natural Resource Management

Sustainability Model Codes and Resources

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EPA's- Smart Growth Fixes for Climate Adaptation and Resilience - Resources to assist local governments planning for climate adaptation.

<https://www.epa.gov/smartgrowth/smart-growth-fixes-climate-adaptation-and-resilience>

Georgetown Climate Center Adaptation Clearing House - An online database and networking site that serves policymakers and others who are working to help communities adapt to climate change.

<http://www.adaptationclearinghouse.org/>

Pennsylvania Land Trust Association - ConservationTools.org (provides several codes and resources dealing with not only farm land preservation but other conservation resources).

https://conservationtools.org/library_items/topic/83-Farmland-Preservation

State of Maine, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry - Model ordinances for farmland protection.

https://www1.maine.gov/dacf/municipalplanning/technical/farmland_ordinances.shtml

Seedstock - 10 American Cities leading the Way with Urban Agriculture Ordinances - Article with links to urban farming ordinances (*webpage also has many resources associated with agriculture.)

<http://seedstock.com/2014/05/27/10-american-cities-lead-the-way-with-urban-agriculture-ordinances/>

Model Riparian Buffer Protection

- https://conservationtools.org/library_items/1261-Model-Riparian-Buffer-Protection-Overlay-District-Proposed-Regulation-for-Use-in-a-Municipal-Zoning-Ordinance-2nd-Edition
- <https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/model-riparian-protection-ordinance.pdf>

Native Plant Preservation

<https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/pima-county-native-plant-preservation-manual.pdf>

The Case for Conservation Codes and Ordinances - Western Resource Advocates

https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/wra-case-for-conservation_codes-and-ordinances.pdf



Low Impact Development

- King County - Model Low Impact Development Strategies for Big Box Retail Stores:
<https://your.kingcounty.gov/dnrp/library/2007/kcr2853.pdf>
- Model Community Conservation Subdivision District (Funded by a Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Sustainable Communities Grant)
<http://www.crplanning.com/ordinances/conservation.pdf>
- Low Impact Development Design Standards - Pima County AZ
https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/pima-county-regional-flood-control-district-manual_excerpts.pdf
- Managing Wet Weather with Green infrastructure
<https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/managing-wet-weather-with-green-infrastructure.pdf>
- Green Streets - USEPA 2009
<https://verderiver.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/epa-conceptual-guide-to-effective-green-streets-design-solutions.pdf>

Model Municipal Wind Siting Ordinance

- <https://illinoisolar.org/Resources/Documents/Model%20Wind%20Ordinance%20Columbia%20Law.pdf>
- <http://columbiaclimatelaw.com/resources/model-laws-and-protocols/model-municipal-ordinances/model-wind-siting-ordinance/>
- Planning For Wind Energy-American Planning Association Planning Advisory Service , Report Number 566:
<http://columbiaclimatelaw.com/files/2016/10/Plannng-for-wind-energy.pdf>

Model Small-Scale Solar Siting Ordinance - Columbia Law School-Sabin Center for Climate Change Law.

- <http://columbiaclimatelaw.com/resources/model-laws-and-protocols/model-municipal-ordinances/model-small-scale-solar-siting-ordinance/>
- Solar Ordinances Resource Page
<https://www.planning.org/solar/data/>
- Planning and Zoning for Solar Energy
<https://www.planning.org/pas/infopackets/eip30.htm>
- Solar Outreach Partnership
<http://solaroutreach.org/>

Dioxin Pollution Reduction - 60196

https://www.cityofberkeley.info/uploadedFiles/Planning_and_Development/Level_3_-_Energy_and_Sustainable_Development/Dioxin%20Pollution%20Reduction.pdf

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