

64A Revised Application check list

Please be sure to complete all steps below in order for the application to be considered complete. Incomplete applications cannot be processed.

1. Please fill out the application completely.
2. Include a **full-page**, detailed diagram of the parcel lake frontage, including all structures below the high-water mark (riprap, retaining walls, docks, boat shelters, boat lifts, PWC lifts, rail systems, water lines, etc.) dimensions of structures and distances of nearest part of structure (including boat lifts, PWC lifts, buoys, etc.) to nearest property line.
3. Include up to date photos of existing structures below the high-water mark
4. Ensure all annual administrative fees are paid in full (permits cannot be issued on parcels that are not current on all fees).
5. Include a locator map
6. Include **detailed** design plans for all work proposed below the high-water mark
7. Ensure the landowner has signed the application. (in cases of HOAs, HOA president's signature required).
8. Be sure to include **ANY** work proposed below the MAHWM.
9. Please include a check (payable to Shoreline Protection) for all relevant fees.

Any permit received is not a water right. If your project requires a water right or change in use, you must obtain that permit from the Flathead Reservation Water Management Board.

Shoreline Protection 2026

Updated Fee Schedule – Phased Implementation

Tribal Council has approved the Shoreline Protection Board's plan to adopt a phased update to its permit and application fee schedule for docks and other shoreline structures.

These adjustments follow a long period without fee changes. There has been one previous fee increase since the implementation of the ordinance more than 40 years ago. The updated schedule aligns more closely with fee structures used by other agencies in the region that regulate shoreline development and lake use.

Why Fees Are Being Updated

Fees have remained unchanged for many years.

Administrative, inspection, and environmental review costs have increased.

The updated structure better reflects the scope and impact of shoreline structures.

The revised schedule aligns more closely with regional standards for similar permits.

These updates ensure continued professional review, environmental stewardship, and responsible shoreline management.

Phased Implementation Timeline

To provide predictability and avoid abrupt increases, the fee adjustments will occur in two phases:

Phase 1

Effective October 2026

Phase 2

Effective October 2027

The complete fee tables for both phases are available at the link below.

What Structures Are Affected?

The updated schedule applies to regulated shoreline structures, including but not limited to:

Docks, wharves, and piers

Breakwaters and boat ramps

Retaining walls (concrete, stacked rock, riprap/wood)

Boat rail systems

Shore stations and PWC lifts

Common use docks

Marinas

Minor variance requests

Applications for new marinas and common use docks must include a completed environmental review prior to processing.

Public Process

The proposed fee revisions were:

Published through required legal advertisements

Presented during a public hearing

Made available upon request

No public comments were submitted during the hearing process.

Access the Full Fee Schedule

The complete current fee schedule and the Phase 1 and Phase 2 revised schedules are available here:

LINK TO DOWNLOAD FEE SCHEDULE

Structure type

Docks, Wharves, Piers
Breakwaters and Boat Ramps

Retaining Wall (concrete)

Stacked Rock Retaining wall

Riprap/wood retaining wall

Dynamic Erosion Control Beach

Boat Rail System

Shore Stations, including PWC lifts

Application fee/Annual Permit Fees

\$250 Application + \$.50/sq. ft.

\$250 Application + \$500 one-time fee

\$250 Application + \$250 one-time fee

\$250 Application + \$150 one-time fee

\$250 Application + \$100 one-time fee

\$250 Application + \$1.25/lineal ft. one-time fee

\$250 Application + \$75 annual fee

Structure type

Request for Minor Variance

Application Fee/Annual Permit Fees

\$250 Application + \$250 one time (non-refundable) \$.75 sq. ft. Annual fee
Surface area in excess of 800 sq. ft. \$1.25 sq. ft.

Common Use

\$250 Application + \$500 one-time fee, \$.75 sq. ft. Annual fee

Marinas

\$250 Application + \$1,500 one-time fee, \$1.00 sq. ft. Annual fee

Applications for new marinas and common use docks must include a completed environmental review BEFORE it will be processed.

Fee Type

Structure with a minor variance	\$50 annual fee in addition to annual square footage fees
Late Payment fee	\$25 for private structures \$125 for common use structures \$250 for marinas
*Late payment fees assessed if administrative fees are not paid in full within 30 days of first friendly reminder	

Water lines/Water withdrawal systems	\$250 Application + \$2.50 lineal ft one-time fee
Buoys	\$250 Application + \$75 annual fee, no fee if marking hazard
Removal of gravel/silt buildup	\$250 Application
Public or Educational	No Charge
Permit Extension	\$250 per extension

Note: Annual square footage fees will be assessed after structure is completed, do not include them with your application fee

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Of the Flathead Nation
SHORELINE PROTECTION OFFICE

64A (Revised)

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Application No: _____ Date Received: _____

CORPS No: _____ Rights Protection No: _____

THIS PERMIT IS NOT A WATER RIGHT

If your project requires a water right or a change in use, you must acquire that separately from this permit.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETE BEFORE THE PROPOSED PROJECT CAN BE REVIEWED.

AN APPROVED PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE BEGINNING WORK.

This application does not eliminate the requirement that you obtain any other applicable Federal or local permits.

Type of work requesting permit for: (check all apply)

☐ New ☐ Existing ☐ Repair ☐ Shore station ☐ Rip Rap ☐ Retaining wall
☐ Buoy ☐ Rail system ☐ Waterline ☐ Dock ☐ Boat ramp ☐ Other

Is your Annual Administrative fee current:

☐ Yes ☐ No

(Permit will be denied until fees are current.)

1. OWNER IS:

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Physical Address: _____

Phone No: _____

APPLICANT IS:

Name _____

Address _____

Legal description of project site: Township: _____ Range: _____ Section: _____

Block No: _____ Lot No: _____ Villa Site: _____ (Copy of plat is desired)

Lakeshore Frontage _____ Feet?

☐ Fee status (non Tribal)

☐ Trust status (Tribal owned)

Are you aware of any historic or cultural sites of artifacts in proposed construction area?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Contractor or person doing the work other than the Applicant/Owner is:

Name _____ Name _____

Contractor

Previous owner if acquired in last 5yrs

Address _____ Address _____

Phone No: _____ Phone No: _____

DRAWINGS FOR ITEMS 1 - 6 BELOW MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION.

See the attached examples.

1. Existing structures in place below MAHWM on the site: _____

Date Constructed: _____

2. Nature of proposed work: _____

3. Beginning date of the proposed work is _____ Completion date _____

4. Type of repairs: Stringers #'s: _____ pilings #'s: _____ decking _____

(Standard Structure is not to exceed 800 sq. ft. per landowner, 1000 sq. ft. per joint ownership.)
Variance is required thereafter.

5. Project dimensions for dock: Width _____ Length _____ Water Depth _____
(8' max) (60' max) (5' max)

Height/Elevation of dock above water _____

The dock and dock wing only be used to provide boat moorage, access to moorage area, or swimming,
A 3D rendering of the dock, with MAHWM indicated on the 3D rendering must be provided with application

- A. Dimension of wing if applies: Width _____ (8' max) Length _____ (30' max)

- B. Distance from LEFT riparian line _____ ft.: Distance from RIGHT riparian line _____

(Private or joint ownership structures, 25' minimum from each riparian line)

(Marina or common use structures, 100' minimum from each riparian line)

- C. Placement of: ☐ Shore station ☐ Personal watercraft lift

- D. Distance from LEFT riparian line _____ ft.: Distance from RIGHT riparian line _____

- E. Buoy distance from riparian lines _____ left _____ right. Distance from Shore: _____
(Must not exceed 100' lake ward.)

- F. Dimension of retaining wall if applies: Width _____ Length _____ Height _____

- G. Type: ☐ rock ☐ wood ☐ concrete ☐ other

Retaining wall must not exceed (2893.20) MAHWM.

6. Will equipment be required to enter the lakebed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- A. If yes, please describe routes of entry and exit and frequency: _____

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7. Equipment and vehicles other than hand tools to be used: _____

8. Will project require placing of riprap? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Size: _____ Quantity: _____ Source: _____

Length: _____ ft., Width: _____ ft., Height: _____ ft.

9. Do you use the lake/river for domestic/home use: ☐ Yes ☐ No

10. For irrigation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

11. Has any agency denied approval for activity described herein or for any activity related to the activity described herein? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what agency and why? _____

12. Have you received any Notice of Non-Compliance or similar correspondence? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, why? _____

Names, address of adjoining property landowners, lessee etc: (Viewing from property to the lake)

(LEFT)

(RIGHT)

Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

The applicant certifies that the statements appearing herein are to the best of his/hers knowledge, true and correct, and hereby authorizes the inspection of the proposed project site by the Shoreline Protection Office

OWNER'S SIGNATURE (if not the applicant)

DATE

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

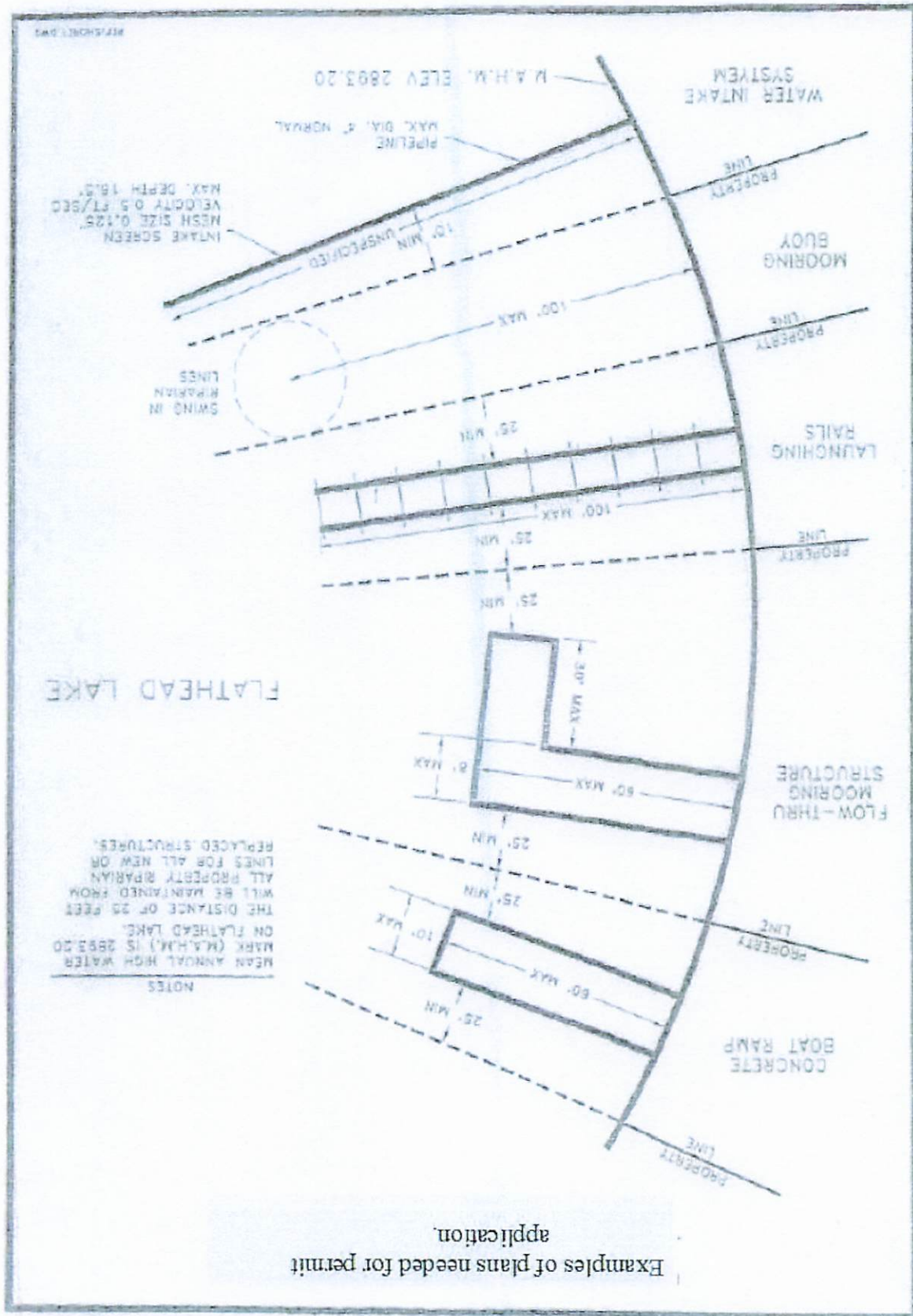
DATE

If the applicant is not the owner, then the owner granting permission to the applicant for the work proposed and described in the application must sign the application. Should any construction exceed permit conditions authorized on Permit, the landowner may be responsible for such construction.

Is your application complete? Incomplete applications will be returned for completion.

- ✓ **Has the owner signed the application?**
- ✓ **Did you include a drawing of your proposal?**
- ✓ **Did you include your application fee?**

Examples of plans needed for permit application.



THE PURPOSE OF THE SITE PLANS IS TO IDENTIFY THE LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND ANY EXISTING STRUCTURE/FACILITIES IN THEIR RELATION TO THE APPLICANT'S PROPERTY LINES AND TO THE JURISDICTIONAL RIPARIAN BOUNDARIES AS RELATED TO THE SHORELINE PROTECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND ONLY THESE STRUCTURES WHICH ARE LOCATED BELOW THE MEAN ANNUAL HIGH WATER MARK (M.A.H.W.M.) ELEVATION (2893.2).

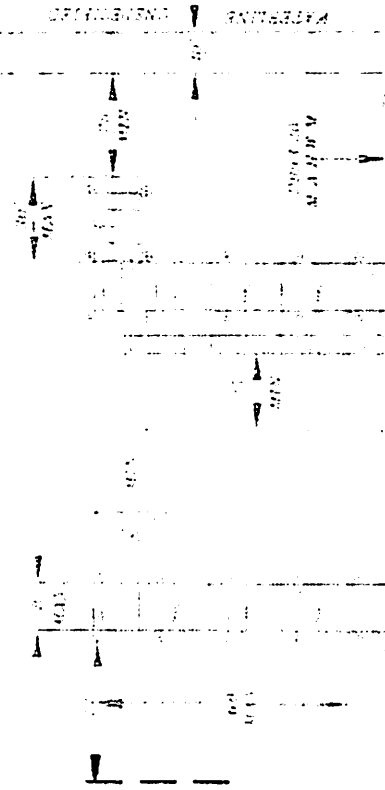
- DIMENSIONS OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROPOSED PROJECT.
- LOCATION OF THE PROJECT ON THE PROPERTY IN RELATION TO THE M.A.H.W.M. ELEVATION OF 2893.2. ALL MEASUREMENTS PERTINENT TO PROPERTY LINES AND LAKESHORE MUST BE INDICATED.
- MUST INDICATE NAVIGABLE WATER DEPTH (5 FEET) IN RELATION TO EXISTING OR PROPOSED STRUCTURE (NEW CONSTRUCTION).

MR. JONES
LOT-1

MRS. SMITH
LOT-2

MR. JAMES
LOT-4

NO STRUCTURES



100
NOTE:
PROPERTY LINE
ANGLE OF APPROACH TO LAKE

Question for administrative use only

- a. Will this project have the minimum required flow-through necessary to prevent gravel build up and algae growth? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b. Do you feel this project will have an effect on water quality? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- c. Do you feel this project will diminish habitat for fish & wildlife? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- d. Do you feel this project will interfere with navigation or other lawful recreation? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- e. Do you feel this project will create a public nuisance? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- f. Do you feel this project will create a visual impact inconsistent with the natural scenic? Values of the area? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- g. Do you feel this project significantly alters the characteristics of the area? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- h. Do you feel this project will cause increased sedimentation in the waterway? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- i. Do you feel this project will cause increased discharges of nutrients or toxic substances to the waterway? ☐ Yes ☐ No