ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
COASTAL AREA MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
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CHAPTER 335-8-2
PROVISIONS RELATED TO COASTAL ACTIVITIES

335-8-2-.06 Shoreline Stabilization And Erosion Mitigation.

(1) Bulkheads, the placement of rip-rap, and other structural shoreline armament shall not be permitted or certified to be in compliance with the ACAMP unless it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Department that:

(a) no fill material will be placed in wetlands or submersed grassbeds unless specifically authorized pursuant to 335-8-2-.02;

(b) the structure will be placed at or above mean high tide and landward of any wetlands;

(c) the structure will be designed so as to allow the normal hydrologic regime to be maintained in wetland areas; and

(d) there are no feasible non-structural alternatives available including, but not limited to, preservation and restoration of dunes, beaches, wetlands, submersed grassbeds, and shoreline restoration and nourishment and retreat or abandonment.

(2) Jetties, groins, breakwaters and like structures may be permitted or certified to be in compliance with the ACAMP provided it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Department that:

(a) they are necessary to protect an existing navigational channel or a use of regional benefit;

(b) there are no other feasible non-structural alternatives; and

(c) there are no significant impacts to adjacent shorelines.

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