



## Redbud Lake Easements and Recreational Common Areas Rules and Recommendations

The following rules and recommendations apply to Redbud lake easements (lake, lake recreational access easement, lake walking easement) and recreational Common Areas (the beaches, the park/playground across from the lake, and parking area). As granted by the Redbud Covenants, these areas are available to Redbud Lot Owners and Residents, with their guests.

Redbud Lake is a private lake, owned by the Redbud Lot Owners surrounding the lake. As per the Redbud Covenants, this lake is subject to recreation easements for all Redbud Lot Owners and Residents, with their guests. These easements include the lake, the lake recreational access easement and the walking easement around the lake (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Pages 0417, 0418).

The beaches (adjacent to the lake), the parking area, and the park/playground are recreational Common Areas owned by the Redbud Landowners Association ("Association").

**All persons using the lake easements and recreational Common Areas do so at their own risk, and assume all responsibility, risks, liabilities and hazards incidental to the use of these areas.** The Redbud Landowners Association and its Board of Directors assume no responsibility for accidents, injuries, or damage to personal property associated with the use of these areas. Use of the lake easements and recreational Common Areas indicates acceptance of these conditions.

These rules are in no way intended to restrict, or infringe upon, the rights of a Lot Owner while on their own property, even if that property is subject to a Redbud LOA easement.

### General Rules and Recommendations

- **Swimming is at your own risk. No lifeguard is on duty at any time.**
- The lake is for quiet recreation by all Redbud Lot Owners and Residents with their guests (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, page 417). All other persons shall be considered trespassers. The Redbud Covenants' definition of a "Resident" is defined as "any person who resides or lives on a subject property for more than thirty days in any calendar year" (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Page 0408).
- All vehicles parked at the parking area must display an official Redbud identification hang tag or sticker provided by the Board of Directors. These methods of identification shall be displayed in highly visible areas on vehicles.
- Non-swimmers should be accompanied by a swimmer with the ability to assist in an emergency.
- It is recommended not to swim alone.
- For safety reasons fishing is prohibited near the beaches.
- Except as permitted by the Lot Owners adjoining the lake, swimming, boating and other entry to the water shall only be from the lake access easement at the east end of the dam. (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Page 0418)
- The walking easement around the lake extends 25 feet from the waterline. This easement is limited to quiet foot traffic and fishing by Lot Owners and Residents, with their guests.
- Use of the lake easements, including the walking easement, does not grant any rights to use of private property (e.g. docks, boats, swings).



- The private walking easement around the lake may be used by Lot Owners and Residents with their guests between the hours of 6am to one hour after sunset.
- There shall be no fires on the lake easements without the express permission of the easement Lot Owner. When using the lake easements, and/or recreational Common Areas, there shall be no fires outside proper containers for fire, such as metal fire pits, and grills. Fire containers used shall be fitted with spark screens. This is per (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Page 0415) and for the safety of the community.
- All persons using the lake easements and recreational Common Areas are required to pick up after themselves and take their garbage with them.
- It is highly recommended to avoid using glass containers on or near the beaches.
- Any person consuming alcohol while using the lake easements, and/or recreational Common Areas is required to be at least 21 years of age.
- Persons using the lake easements, and/or recreational Common Areas are responsible for their dogs in accordance with Chatham County ordinances and Redbud Covenants (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Page 0416).
- No boats, rafts or other vessels with internal combustion engines are allowed to be used in the lake. Electric motors are permitted; no boats with motors shall go faster than 5 mph. Boats may not exceed 18 feet in length (Redbud Covenants Book 2237, Page 0417).
- Boaters shall comply with all federal, state, and local safety regulations. It is recommended that children under the age of 13 wear an appropriate life vest when on a recreational vessel in the lake.

### Guest Rules

- A Redbud Lot Owner or Resident shall accompany all guests when using the lake easements.
- It is the responsibility of Redbud Lot Owners and Residents, to ensure that their guests comply with all guidelines, rules, and regulations stated herein.
- Each household (e.g. a single Lot Owner or a couple owning property in Redbud, or Redbud Resident) may entertain up to ten (10) non-Redbud Resident guests at the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas without prior approval from the Board of Directors. A gathering of more than ten (10) guests constitutes a group event.

### Rules for Group Events

Written permission from the Redbud Board is required if Lot Owners or Residents wish to host a gathering of more than ten (10) non-Redbud Resident guests at the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas. The following rules apply to group events.

**No portion of the lake easements (lake, lake recreational access easement, 25 foot wide walking easement around the lake) or the recreational Common Areas (beaches, parking area, park/playground) shall be reserved for the exclusive use of any one party.**

1. Requests for permission to hold a group event must be submitted to the Board at least seven (7) days in advance of the event. If permission is granted, notice of the event will be posted on Redbud Nextdoor (or other applicable social media) so that people seeking a more private experience, will be alerted to the presence of a group event.



2. The request should indicate the date of the proposed event, the duration, the number of persons to be invited, and whether alcohol will be available. If alcohol will be available, the requesting Lot Owner or Resident must be at least 21 years of age. If alcohol will not be served, the requesting Lot Owner or Resident may be 18 years of age or older.
3. Group events will be limited to a total of 25 guests, including children.
4. Group events may only be scheduled between the hours of 11 a.m. and sunset.
5. The Lot Owner or Resident requesting approval of the group event must be in attendance at the event. It is the host's obligation to supervise their guests and to immediately take action if any dangerous behavior or condition is observed.
6. The Lot Owner or Resident requesting approval of the group event is responsible for making their guests aware that there is no lifeguard on duty and swimming is at the individual's own risk, if permission is granted for the use of the lake easements.
7. Children (under the age of 13) must be supervised by a parent or guardian. For every three children in attendance at a group event, there must be at least one person over the age of 18 years.
8. Lot Owners, Residents, and their guests will abide by all covenants, rules and regulations of the Association, as well as all federal, state and local laws and ordinances, including laws related to the consumption of alcohol.
9. The Association reserves the right to cancel any event and to order individuals attending the event to vacate the property if, in the sole discretion of the Association, attendees are not in compliance with any applicable covenants, rules, regulations, laws, or ordinances.
11. No more than six vehicles may be parked in the parking area at the lake by persons attending a group event. Carpooling and/or shuttling guests from the host's property may be required to meet this limit. All Lot Owners and Residents parking at the parking area must have a hang tag displayed. Guests are permitted to use the parking area during the event without a Redbud hang tag, but they will need to identify their permitted vehicles by writing "guest of Resident's name" on a note and placing it on their dashboard.
12. Requesting Lot Owners and Residents are required to sign a Group Event Agreement Form (attached) which will confirm the rules and regulations of use of the lake easements and recreational Common Areas, and will contain a liability waiver and indemnification provision. If alcohol is to be available at the event, Lot Owners or Residents will be required to sign an additional waiver and indemnification agreement related to the serving and consumption of alcohol (Waiver for Use of Alcoholic Beverages, attached).
13. The Association is not responsible for any injury or loss suffered by any Lot Owner, Resident, or their guests utilizing the lake easements (lake, lake recreation access easement, lake walking easement) or recreational Common Area (beaches, parking area, or park/playground across from the lake) while attending a group event.



### Redbud Landowners Association Group Event Agreement

*This form must be approved before the event can occur.  
Please contact a Redbud Director to submit this application.*

Event Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_ End Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

- Requesting use of the lake easements for the event
- Requesting use of the recreational Common Area beaches for the event
- Requesting use of the recreational Common Area park for the event

Requesting Lot Owner or Resident: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of attendees (including host): \_\_\_\_\_ Adult Guests: \_\_\_\_\_ Minors: \_\_\_\_\_

**Will alcohol be served or consumed? \_\_\_\_\_ If alcohol will be served or consumed, a signed copy of the Alcohol Waiver must accompany this agreement.**

In consideration for the use of the lake easements and/or Common Areas for my group event, the undersigned Lot Owner or Resident agrees to the following terms and conditions:

1. I am a Lot Owner or Resident in Redbud, and I will be in attendance at the event. I am at least 18 years of age, and if any alcohol is to be consumed or served at my group event, I certify that I am at least 21 years of age. I have read and understand the applicable "Redbud Lake Easements and Recreational Common Areas Rules and Recommendations".
2. I agree and represent that the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas will be used for lawful purposes only and that if any conduct at the event I am sponsoring violates federal, state, or local laws or ordinances or violates the Association's Covenants, Bylaws, or Rules and Regulations, my rights to use the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas, under this agreement shall terminate immediately. The Association shall have the right to inspect the recreational Common Areas, and lake easements at any time during my event and take possession of the area(s) and instruct my guests to leave.
3. I understand that it is my obligation to insure that all guests attending my event are made aware of the rules and policies regarding use of the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas and I understand that it is my obligation to supervise my guests and to immediately take action should I observe any dangerous behavior or condition.
4. I understand that the Association is not responsible for any injury (or loss of property) suffered by myself or any guest attending my event and utilizing any portion of the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas, including injuries or claims resulting from the ordinary negligence of the Association or its agents, managers, representatives, directors, officers, successors or assigns.



- 5. In consideration of permission granted to utilize the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas for my event, I assume all responsibility, risks, liabilities and hazards incidental to the use of these areas (including, but not limited to, the serving of alcoholic beverages) and hereby release and forever discharge the Redbud Landowners Association and its agents, managers, representatives, directors, officers, successors, assigns, and any and all other associated entities or individuals (collectively, "Released Parties") from any and all loss, claim, injury, demand, liability, damage, action, judgment, compensation, cost or expense of whatever nature, including, but not limited to, claims for property damage, personal injury, or death, whether or not any negligence or breach of duty by any of the Released Parties is alleged to have contributed thereto, in whole or in part, when such injury or damage shall result from, arise out of, or be attributable in any way to the use of the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas.
- 6. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Redbud Landowners Association and the Released Parties from any and all property damage, personal injury, death or other claim arising out of or in any way related to the use of lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas by myself, my family members, employees, agents, servants, guests or invitees, whether or not any negligence or breach of duty by any of the Released Parties is alleged to have contributed thereto, in whole or in part.
- 7. I understand that this release and indemnification agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of North Carolina and agree that if any portion is held invalid, the remainder of the waiver will continue in full legal force and effect.
- 8. I have read this release and indemnification agreement and understand all of its terms and execute it voluntarily and with full knowledge of its significance.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Responsible Redbud Lot Owner or Resident

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Board of Directors Approval

**Areas approved for use:**

- Use of the lake easements for the event
- Use of the recreational Common Area beaches for the event
- Use of the recreational Common Area park for the event



**Redbud Landowners Association  
Group Event Waiver for Use of Alcoholic Beverages**

*If alcoholic beverages are to be served or allowed at an approved Group Event, this form must be submitted to the Board before the event can occur.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, as the responsible Redbud Lot Owner or Resident for a group event scheduled at the lake easements and/or recreational Common Areas on \_\_\_\_\_ will be serving or allowing the consumption of fortified and/or unfortified alcohol to my guests.

I am at least 21 years of age or older.

I assume all responsibility, risks, liabilities and hazards incidental to the serving or presence of alcoholic beverages at my event, and I hereby release and forever discharge the Redbud Landowners Association and its agents, managers, representatives, directors, officers, successors, assigns, and any and all other associated entities or individuals (collectively, "Released Parties") from any and all loss, claim, injury, demand, liability, damage, action, judgment, compensation, cost or expense of whatever nature, including, but not limited to, claims for property damage, personal injury, or death, when such injury or damage shall result from, arise out of, or be attributable in any way to the service or presence of alcoholic beverages at my event.

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Redbud Landowners Association and the Released Parties from any and all property damage, personal injury, death or other claim made by any person, firm or entity, including, but not limited to, my family members, employees, agents, servants, guests or invitees, arising out of or in any way related to the service or presence of alcoholic beverages at my event.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Responsible Redbud Lot Owner or Resident



## **Redbud Display of Political Signs Rules**

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A political sign is defined as a placard, flag, banner, or other signage that attempts to influence the outcome of an election, or advocates for political action by displaying material including any one of the following:

- The name of a political candidate in the form of last name, first name, or nickname
- A campaign slogan used by a candidate or supporting political action
- An expression of support for or opposition to an issue on an election ballot
- The name of a political party

The display of political signs on all Redbud lots is prohibited except for 45 days before the day of an election and no later than 7 days after an election pursuant to the North Carolina Planned Community Act section 47F-3-121-2(b)(i).

Political signs must be on a landowner's property and cannot exceed one sign per lot during the above referenced time period pursuant to the North Carolina Planned Community Act section 47F-3-121(2)(b)(ii).

Sign size must be in compliance with the Chatham County Ordinance section 15.5(9).

Signs may not be in a Redbud common area nor near or around Redbud lake, dam and playground.

Political signs are not permitted on utility poles or any road signage and may not block a driver's line of sight.

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## **Restricted Use of All-Terrain Vehicles (Motor-Powered Leisure Vehicles) and Dirt Bikes**

The following restrictions have been adopted for the use of All-Terrain Vehicles and dirt bikes in Redbud.

Reasons for the new restrictions:

- Observed unsafe driving of dirt bikes and All-Terrain Vehicles
- Damage caused to Community gravel roads, Common lands and roadsides
- Noise pollution
- Dust pollution from gravel roads

All-Terrain Vehicles used in Redbud must adhere to the following rules:

- 1) ATV is used for hauling equipment or materials to a point of use.
- 2) ATV or dirt bike is used to travel from a resident's home to another location in Redbud.
- 3) ATVs or dirt bikes shall not be used "off road" on Common lands (including roadsides, trails, conservation lands and beaches).
- 4) ATVs or dirt bikes shall not emit excessive sound during operation.
- 5) ATVs must adhere to the speed limit in Redbud of 25 mph at all times.
- 6) ATVs or dirt bikes must have permission from lot owner(s) for use on any private Redbud property.

### **All-Terrain Vehicle use in Redbud must follow the following North Carolina All-Terrain Vehicle Laws.**

- It is unlawful for any parent or legal guardian of a person less than eight years of age to knowingly permit that person to operate an all-terrain vehicle.
- It is unlawful for any parent or legal guardian of a person less than 12 years of age to knowingly permit that person to operate an all-terrain vehicle with an engine capacity of 70 cubic centimeter displacement or greater.
- It is unlawful for any parent or legal guardian of a person less than 16 years of age to knowingly permit that person to operate an all-terrain vehicle with an engine capacity greater than 90 cubic centimeter displacement.
- It is unlawful for any parent or legal guardian of a person less than 16 years of age to knowingly permit that person to operate an all-terrain vehicle unless the person is under the continuous visual supervision of a person 18 years of age or older while operating the all-terrain vehicle.
- No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle unless the person wears eye protection and a safety helmet meeting United States Department of Transportation standards for motorcycle helmets.
- No owner shall authorize an all-terrain vehicle to be operated contrary to this Part.
- No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, any controlled substance, or a prescription or nonprescription drug that impairs vision or motor coordination.
- No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle in a careless or reckless manner so as to endanger or cause injury or damage to any person or property.
- No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle during the hours of darkness, from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise and at any time when visibility is reduced due to insufficient light or atmospheric conditions.





**Rules for Roadside Drainage - Private Driveway Construction and Maintenance**  
**Redbud Subdivision, Chatham County, NC**

**Purpose**

Over the past the Association has spent significant time and resources repairing our roads due to such things as inadequately sized and placed driveway culverts and improperly graded drainage. These rules are to help avoid and hopefully eliminate these costs.

**General**

1. Driveways and driveway culverts are the sole financial responsibility of the landowners for construction and ongoing maintenance.
2. These rules shall not be applicable to roads which are not maintained by the Association, although it is recommended that these guidelines be followed on roads that are not maintained by the Association.
3. The Association is responsible for maintaining drainage ditches at sides of access roads up to either side of landowner's driveway culverts. This includes possible placement of rip rap, addition of check dams, and removal of vegetation and soil. Landowners should keep leaves and other debris cleaned out from areas around driveway culverts.
4. Any driveway in existence at the time these rules are adopted will not be required to be modified to comply unless that driveway causes damage (flooding, erosion) to access roads or neighboring properties.
5. If any modifications are made to an existing driveway, modifications must include bringing driveway culvert and driveway drainage into compliance with these rules.
6. Plans for new and remodeled/upgraded driveway construction must be reviewed by the Redbud Board. All plans shall be submitted to the Board on the "Request for Review of Redbud Lot Modifications" form.
7. The Board recommends that landowners provide a copy of these rules to all contractors and workers in their employ regarding the installation of driveway culverts and grading. However, landowners are ultimately responsible for any and all work performed by their contractors.
8. Landowners will be responsible for paying for repairs to the access road when damage is caused by runoff from their driveway or by any other grading done to their property.
9. The Redbud Board reserves the right to amend these rules at any future time, for future driveway construction or maintenance.

**Driveway Culverts**

1. Driveway culvert pipe shall be of an adequate size to carry anticipated flow in the ditch as determined by a licensed civil engineer with expertise in + management.
2. No culvert pipe will be less than 15" inside diameter, unless the landowner supplies the Board with an engineer's recommendation stating that a smaller culvert pipe size is adequate. Multiple pipes, less than 15" in diameter, with equivalent flow capacity may also be used. All culvert pipes shall be pre-approved by the Board before installation.
3. Pipe may be made of rust resistant metal, concrete or corrugated plastic (HDPE) material, but should be constructed with a capacity which enables a heavy truck or vehicle to roll over it without crushing it.



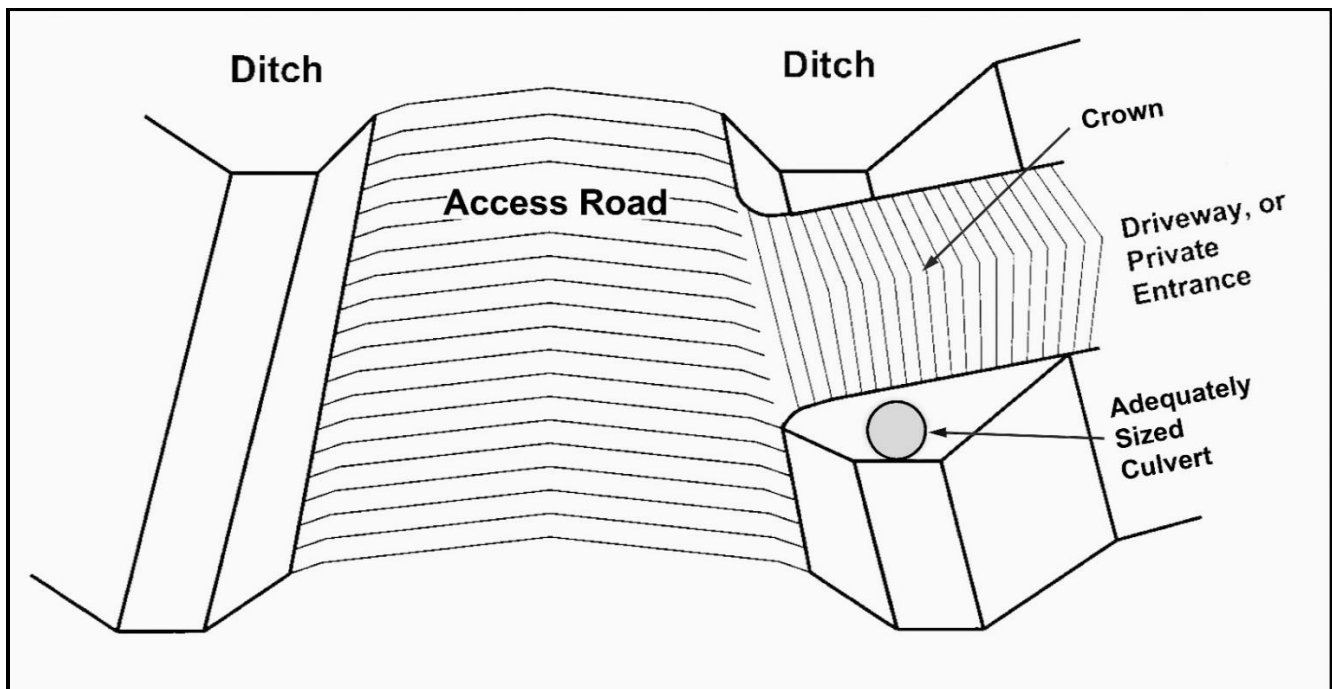
4. Culvert pipes must be at least 16 feet in length and in any case long enough to allow a sustainable turning radius from the access road.
5. Culvert should be buried at the proper depth as prescribed by manufacturer.
6. Some driveways do not have culvert pipes. This may be due to the lack of roadside drainage ditches because of close proximity to buried utilities or other major structures. These driveways are required to have adequate drainage incorporated in them to not conduct water onto Association roads. Drainage swales running at angles to the driveway, at intervals along a driveway could be a possible solution. The Board may determine that a driveway culvert is not needed due to topography.

#### Drainage

1. Any driveway which slopes downhill to join access road needs to be constructed and maintained in such a way that rainwater runoff is conducted into roadside ditches and not onto access roads.
2. Drainage along sides of driveways should be graded to conduct water into roadside ditches, not onto the access road.
3. No owner shall divert drainage that flows onto their property causing it to be diverted back onto access roads maintained by the Association or onto other neighboring properties.
4. Driveways should be constructed with a slight crown in their center, to conduct water to the sides, into drainage ditches. (See attached diagram)

#### Diagram Showing Proper Driveway Construction With Crown at Center

*(The diagram is not to scale)*





## Redbud LOA Roadside Rules

*These rules pertain to landowners' usage of roadside common lands that the Association either owns and/or maintains.*

- No structures, either fixed or moveable, such as fences, barriers, or buildings may be placed on roadside common lands, without permission of the Redbud LOA Board.
- Native, (*see USDA definition of native plants below*) non-invasive, plant species may be planted, however plantings shall not impede mowing within 15' of the road's edge.\*
- Non-native invasive plants (e.g. Elaeagnus, Perrilla, Microstegium) and native noxious plants (e.g. Poison Ivy) may be removed.\*
- Trash receptacles shall be securely covered, and left on the roadside (not on the road) for no more than one day per week (24 hours) on trash pickup days.\*\* Trash containers shall not be stored on the roadsides nor in the 50ft conservation buffer. (*Out of respect for your neighbor's visual enjoyment, and in the interest of maintaining property values, the Board requests that trash receptacles be stored out of sight from the roadways on your property.*)
- No satellite dishes, unless Board approves due to no other reasonable alternatives on the property owner's lot for reception.
- Signs allowed are: address markers, property owner/profession signs, and a "property for sale" sign. Political signs shall comply with the "Political Signs Rules" adopted by the Board on 9/9/2016.
- Except for temporary parking, no parking of motor vehicles, trailers, motor homes, or boats shall be allowed overnight.\*\*

*\*Please consult with a Redbud Board member and a Redbud Environment Committee (REC) member.*

*\*\* Leniency regarding this rule shall be observed during inclement weather events.*

*(These rules may be amended or changed at any future time by the Redbud Board of Directors)*

As a reminder, as per the Redbud Covenants, Conservation lands, which includes all land within 50ft of any lot line, shall be kept in their natural state. Structures are not allowed to be erected, including fences, on these lands, and timbering is prohibited.

### **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) definition of Native plants:**

*Native Plants are those species that evolved naturally in a region without human intervention. Red maple (*Acer rubrum*), flowering dogwood (*Cornus florida*), and butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) are examples of the over 3,900 species of plants the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) PLANTS Database lists as native to North Carolina. These plants developed and adapted to local soil and climate conditions over thousands of years and are vital parts of local ecosystems necessary for the survival of pollinators, insects, birds, mammals, and other wildlife. Plants are not considered native to a region within decades or even centuries after introduction. To be native, they must originate in the region and co-evolve with other species over thousands of years. As these species evolve together, they adapt to the physical environment formed by local climate and weather conditions, soil types, topography, and hydrology. Native plants form interdependent, highly specialized relationships with other organisms that are necessary for each other's survival. Replacing natives with plants from other regions cannot replicate the complex interactions that naturally occur.*

# Outdoor Lighting

Among the types of pollution that the Redbud Covenants were designed to prevent is light pollution. According to Wikipedia, "Light pollution is a broad term that refers to multiple problems, all of which are caused by inefficient, unappealing, or (arguably) unnecessary use of artificial light. Specific categories of light pollution include light trespass, over-illumination, glare, clutter, and sky glow. A single offending light source often falls into more than one of these categories."

## The Covenants

The use of outdoor lighting is addressed by the Redbud Covenants in Article VII, Section Nine, which states: "No mercury, sodium or other gas vapor lights shall be used outside enclosed buildings unless the light from them cannot be seen on any adjacent property; further all outdoor lights shall be shaded or hooded in such a way that no direct rays are shown in any area within fifty (50) feet of a property line; and further that no lights shall be installed that shine upward into the sky; the purpose of these standards being to preserve the night time sense of nature as well as the daytime sense."

The Summary of Covenants further explains that "Night is part of the natural environment for wildlife, and many people enjoy the darkness of the woods and the natural light of stars and moon. So we try to keep light from intruding across property lines and into conservation lands."

The environmentally friendly covenants are not only important to most Redbud homeowners, but are their very reason for having purchased property here. In addition to annoying neighbors and wasting energy, light pollution is also detrimental to wildlife, disrupting feeding, breeding, and other activities.

All residents should be aware that when they bought property in Redbud, they signed a legal document that they agree to the provisions of the covenants. It is the hope of the Board that all Redbud residents will comply with the covenants without the need for the Board to impose sanctions for violations.

## Good-Neighbor Policies

Because light rays can penetrate across boundary lines without the awareness of the homeowner, Redbud residents need to take extra care to prevent light trespass or other forms of light pollution.

**Auditing Your Lighting.** During a discussion about lights on the LOA Listserve, Paul Sacca reported (message 2251) that he asked his neighbors to check whether they saw glare from his lights, as he turned lights on and off. He was surprised to find that one of his lights was more intrusive than he suspected. A good proactive measure would be to follow Paul's lead and ask neighbors, plus anyone across a valley or across the pond from your house, to provide feedback on your lighting.

**Indoor Lighting.** Although the covenants do not address indoor lighting, since many Redbud houses do not use window coverings, a good-neighbor policy would be to check on indoor lighting as well as outdoor lighting to prevent light trespass from any source.

**Reporting Offenses:** Any resident may report violations of the covenants to the board for possible action. The board requests, however, that anyone who is disturbed by outdoor lighting first inform the other homeowner of the problem and give that person a chance to correct the problem.

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## Suggested Solutions

- Use hooded lights on outdoor walls.
- If entrance lights have clear glass panels, tint the glass with stained glass paint. (Amber works well.)
- Use motion sensing lights outside your garage so that you don't have to leave the lights on while you are out for the evening.
- Aim motion detector lights downward at an angle less than 45°, add a snap-on glare shield, and use a timer to turn lights off after several minutes.
- Use solar-powered lights along walkways instead of lighting up the entire yard.



Hooded light fixture



Security light with snap-on glare shield

## Sources for glare shields:

<http://www.parshield.com>; <http://tinyurl.com/yp2cp6>