

ER Review

Endangered Resources

Expedited Reviews

VEER vs. standard ER Review

The completed VEER (Voluntary Expedited Endangered Resources) Review is equivalent in all respects to a standard ER Review, with the exception that it is completed in the guaranteed timeframe of seven working days for a higher cost.

A VEER Review will still provide the requester with information from Wisconsin's Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) database and other sources on rare plants and animals (including state and federally-listed species), high quality natural communities and other endangered resources that may be impacted by the proposed project. However, the turnaround time is guaranteed at seven days. A VEER Review will also include specific recommendations to help projects comply with Wisconsin's Endangered Species Law (s.29.604, Wis. Stats) and other laws and regulations protecting endangered resources.



Blanding's turtle, photo © Brian Collins.

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When to request a review

Similar to a standard ER Review, we suggest that you request review of the proposed project well in advance of when the project is scheduled to begin so that you can identify and plan for any seasonal limitations that may be imposed on the project and allow time for any field surveys that may need to be conducted during a specific time of year – for example, during the breeding or growing season.

Inclusion of a VEER Review with application materials for other department permits may help quicken and facilitate the permit review process.

Eligible projects

Standard commercial, residential and industrial development projects and many other types of land management and planning projects are eligible for VEER Review service. The following types of projects are not eligible for VEER Review service. Review of these projects should be requested through the standard ER Review process.

- Public transportation projects
 - Other projects whose nature, scope and complexity are such that expedited review is not feasible
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How to request a VEER Review

A landowner or other party acting on behalf of the landowner, such as engineer or consultant can request a VEER Review of a proposed project at any time to find out if the proposed project is likely to impact endangered resources.

To request a VEER Review, please submit the VEER Review request form, all required attachments and the \$420 minimum payment.