

Chapter 31 Definitions

Archaeological site:

- *Repeal existing ZC definition 32. Archaeological site. Not required because it references a term defined by Arizona State Museum standards.*
- *Staff: Text search zoning code and substitute “cultural resources” for “archaeological” when it is used in conjunction with “site,” because we are now using the term cultural resource, not archaeological, in Section 24.4, PAD, of the zoning code.*

XXX. Active Restoration

The process of taking specific intentional actions to re-establish natural processes, vegetation, and habitat of an ecosystem.

XXX. Base Zoning Dwelling Count

Shall be calculated by dividing the gross land area of the site or parcel, before any required dedications for right-of-way or drainage, or designations for open space or other OVZCR requirements, by the base zoning minimum lot size to identify the potential dwelling unit yield of the site or parcel.

Base Zoning Dwelling Count = Gross Land Area ÷ Minimum Lot Area of Base Zone

XXX. Conservation

Shall mean, in the context of the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Conservation System, the use and management of land to eliminate waste and maximize efficiency of use while yielding the highest sustainable benefit to present generations and maintaining the natural resources in such a state that remain biologically viable and they can provide for the benefit of future generations.

Cultural Resource:

- *Repeal existing ZC definition 90. “Cultural or Historic Resource” and add a new definition for “Cultural Resource,” because new term incorporates both archaeological and historic resources*

xxx. Cultural Resource

Any prehistoric or historic site or object having historical, architectural, archaeological, or community importance, including artifacts, records, and material remains related to such property or resource.

Cultural Resource Professional:

- *New definition proposed.*

xxx. Cultural Resource Professional

Shall include archaeologists, architects, architectural historians, and historians who meet the minimum professional qualifications established by the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards.

Cultural Resources Survey:

- *Current ZC definition for “survey” describes “archaeological survey,” propose to change to “Cultural Resources Survey.*
- *Staff: text search zoning code and change all references to “survey” **used in relation to archaeological resources** to “cultural resources survey.”*

xxx. Cultural Resources Survey

An activity with the purpose of locating and identifying cultural resources without causing any disturbance of the ground.

xxx. Environmentally Sensitive Open Space (ESOS)

Comprised of lands designated as permanent, natural open space in accordance with the requirements of Section 27.10.

XXX. Hillside Conservation Area

Shall mean land area designated for conservation of natural slopes greater than 15 percent.

XXX. Hillside View Conservation Area

Shall mean the visually significant slopes and ridges of the site designated as ESOS. Visually significant slopes and ridges are identified by the Scenic Resources category of the ESL regulations.

XXX. Preservation

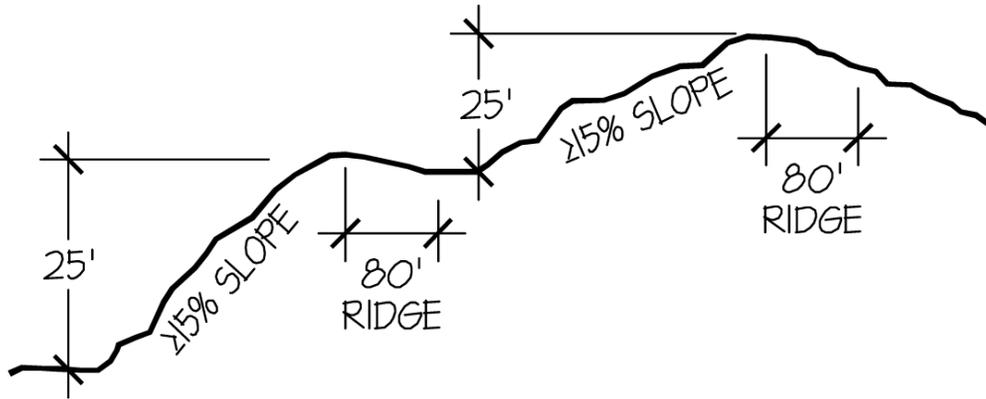
Shall mean, in the context of the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Conservation System, the attempt to maintain land in its current condition to protect the area from negative human influence.

XXX. Qualified Habitat Restoration Specialist

A person with a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in a natural resources-related field, and five years of experience in the field of habitat biology.

XXX. Ridge

Shall mean a topographic feature above sloped areas 15 percent and greater that forms a crest or hilltop of at least 80 feet in width. Ridges may include sloped areas as illustrated below.



XXX. Scenic Resource Conservation Area

Shall mean lands adjacent to designated scenic corridors where the land use and design requirements of the ESL Scenic Resources Category apply.

Treatment Plan:

- *Staff drafted new ZC definition for this term based on research from other jurisdictions.*

xxx. Treatment Plan

A plan prepared by a qualified cultural resource professional for the preservation, data recovery, excavation, archiving, monitoring, adaptive reuse, curation, and/or documentation of one (1) or more significant archaeological resources, buildings, structures, sites, landscapes, or artifacts.

XXX Visually Significant Slopes

Sloped areas of 15 percent and greater visible from Scenic Corridors, public rights of way, public parks and all trails identified in the Oro Valley Trails Master Plan.

XXX Wildlife Permeable Development

Residential development with a developed density of one home per acre or less and fences and walls that are wildlife friendly and do not impede the movement of wildlife between adjacent lots or between the development and adjacent open space areas.)