

occupational therapy, and all meals. These facilities may be freestanding or part of a CCRC. Residents may stay temporarily for a period of rehabilitation, or may be there for long-term care.

**Slope:** Degree of deviation of a surface from the horizontal, usually expressed in percent or degree; the ratio of the difference in elevation between two points on the ground, and the horizontal distance between these two points. For purposes of determining steep slopes eligible for current use assessment under Georgia State law, slope shall be measured between two points on the ground separated by 500 feet or more.

**Soil:** All unconsolidated mineral and organic material of whatever origin that overlies bedrock, which can be readily excavated.

**Soil Engineer:** A professional engineer who is qualified by education and experience to practice applied soil mechanics and foundation engineering.

**Solid Waste:** Discarded putrescible and nonputrescible waste, except water-carried body waste and recovered materials, and shall include garbage; rubbish, such as paper, cartons, boxes, wood, tree branches, yard trimmings, furniture and appliances, metal, tin cans, glass crockery, or dunnage, ashes, street refuse, dead animals; sewage sludges, animal manures, industrial waste, such as waste materials generated in industrial operations, residue from solid waste thermal treatment technology, food processing waste, demolition waste, abandoned automobiles, dredging waste, construction waste, and any other waste material in a solid, semi-solid, or liquid state not otherwise defined here.

**Solid Waste Handling Facility:** Any facility, the primary purpose of which is the storage, collection, transportation, treatment, utilization, processing, or disposal, or any combination thereof, of solid waste. (also see definitions of "materials recovery facility," "recovered materials processing facility," and "recovered materials").

**Sound Level:** The intensity of sound, measured in decibels.

**Sound Level Meter:** An instrument designed to measure sound pressure levels and constructed in accordance with the requirements for General Purpose Sound Level Meters published in the American National Standards Institute.

**Special Event:** A gathering of a temporary duration in which a property owner, for compensation, rents or leases access to property, and/or building(s) or a portion of a building to individuals or identified groups to allow congregation on the property for a specific purpose. Such access shall not include public entry for a fee. The sale and/or serving of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption is permitted. A special event may or may not be held at a special event facility.

**Special Event Facility:** Buildings or portion of a building(s) and outdoor areas, made available to individuals or identified groups to accommodate special events including but not limited to banquets, weddings, anniversaries and other similar functions. Such use may include kitchen facilities for the preparation or catering of food, the sale and/or serving of alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption, entertainment, and special event lodging units for overnight accommodation.

**Special Event Lodging Unit:** A structure or portion of a structure for temporary occupancy other than a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast inn, boarding house or short-term rental, which may or may not be attached to the principal building, where, for compensation and by prearrangement, meals or lodging or both are provided. A special event lodging unit is subordinate and incidental to the main use of the property. Independent cooking or kitchen facilities may be present. No such special event lodging unit shall be rented or otherwise used as a separate long-term or short-term dwelling unit outside of a special event facility use.

**State Waters:** Any and all rivers, streams, creeks, branches, lakes, reservoirs, ponds, drainage systems, springs, wells, and other bodies of surface or subsurface water, natural and artificial, lying within or forming a part of the boundaries of the State which are not entirely confined and retained completely upon the property of a single individual, partnership or corporation.

**Steep Mountain Slopes:** An area that (1) is shown on a United States Geological Survey 1:24,000, 7.5 minute quadrangle topographic map to be higher than an elevation in feet of 1,900 feet; and (2) has a slope exceeding 25 percent; and (3) meets the definition of "natural conditions" provided in this Code. Steep mountain slopes shall include the crests, summits, and ridge tops which lie at elevations higher than those of adjacent steep mountain slopes (even though the crests, summits, and ridge tops may have a slope of less than 25 percent), provided that such crests, summits, and ridge tops are in a natural condition as defined by this Code.

**Steep Slopes:** Lands with slopes of at least 35 percent, as indicated in the Comprehensive Plan of Forsyth County, or which are so indicated with aid of a United States Geological Survey 1:24,000, 7.5 minute quadrangle topographic map or other available topographic information.

**Street:** Any vehicular way, other than an alley, that: (1) is an existing state, County or municipal roadway; (2) is constructed as shown upon a plat approved pursuant to law and is open to vehicle travel; (3) is constructed and open to vehicle travel as approved by other official action of the Board of Commissioners; or (4) is constructed and