

Landscaping Update from WBA – 26 March 10:30 am

As you know one of the more challenging issues that we have been working on together is the language that was referenced in Governor Evers' Q and A document relating to landscaping:

Are landscaping businesses allowed to operate? Landscape businesses are not considered essential businesses or operations. Staff can perform minimum basic operations as defined in the order.

Prior to the posting of the above language WBA was ready to provide legal guidance to members that because of the important role landscaping plays in the construction process that in most circumstances you would be able to continue working.

Yesterday we started working with lobbyists from the Aggregate Producers of Wisconsin on this topic because we have members who belong to both groups. We worked together on a brief memo that explained practical examples of the importance of the industry and a legal interpretation written by WBA Outside Legal Council Robert Procter. This information is being shared with members of Governor Evers' legal team.

We are hoping that the question and answer can be revised and clarified using the information we provided yesterday.

There have been a lot of questions that we have been able to clear up for the housing industry. Unfortunately, because of the two sentences in the Q and A document this has been the biggest challenge we have been working on since the order was released on Tuesday morning.

We continue to work on this issue and wanted to provide you with this update. As more information becomes available, we will continue to be in touch and please continue to check our [website](#) and our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages for up to date information.