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Question:

Is it the intent of that breakaway walls in the wind borne debris area are required to have opening protection for openings such as windows and doors.

Answer

Yes, breakaway walls are required to have wind-borne debris protection. It is possible to have high winds without water and to have high water without winds.

Commentary:

None.

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