Failing Retaining Wall Checklist (GTA)

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Warning Signs to Check

1. **Leaning or bulging**

   Movement away from the slope means the wall is failing.

2. **Cracks and shifted blocks**

   Widening or stepped cracks point to structural failure.

3. **Water seeping through**

   Signals trapped water and missing drainage behind the wall.

4. **Settling above the wall**

   Sinking ground or driveway suggests the wall is losing hold.

What a Proper Job Includes

1. **Slope-stable removal**

   The wall comes out in a sequence that keeps the bank stable.

2. **Utility locates**

   Buried lines near the wall are located before excavation.

3. **Fixed drainage on rebuild**

   Gravel backfill, drain pipe, and weep holes prevent a repeat.

4. **Proper disposal**

   Concrete, block, and treated timber go to the right facilities.

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